

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 26, 2023

Mon.	2/27	7:30 AM	+ David Stepp by Chris & David Seigworth
Tue.	2/28	NO MASS	
Wed.	3/1	7:30 AM	+ Josephine Bowers by Ron & Dolores Bowers and Sheila Harman
Thur.	3/2	7:30 AM	+ Joyce Donohue by Bob Donohue
Fri.	3/3	7:30 AM	In Thanksgiving for Blessings & Graces Received by Dr. Gonzalo & Barb Florido
Morning Mass....what a way to start the day!!			
Sat.	3/4	5:00 PM	+ Wendell Drew by Knights of Columbus Council 4391
Sun.	3/5	8:00 AM	Tim Carson by Christine Ryan
		9:30 AM	Parish Families of St. Edmund's, St. Joseph's & St. Mary's
		4:30 PM	Mass at St. Mary's

Weekly Need for Operation:	\$ 3,200.00
Sunday Offering, February 18/19	\$ 1,934.00
Online Giving:	\$ 260.00
DEFICIT For the Week:	\$ (1,006.00)
Times are tough, see what you can do!	
St. Joseph's Offering, Feb. 19:	\$ 760.00

LAY MINISTERS for March 4/5, 2023

SATURDAY, March 4, 5:00 PM

Lector: John Gooding

Ushers: Doug & Patti Duffy

SUNDAY, March 5, 8:00 AM

Lector: Sara McTaggart

Ushers: Gwen & Terry McTaggart

Money Counters: Kendra Martin & Bill Janssen

FLOWERS FOR MARY'S ALTAR—MARCH

5	Sam & Sue Stepp
12	Margaret & Gene Ochs
19	M/M Kyle Cluver Family
26	



ST. EDMUND CCW MEETING

Monday, March 6, 2023 ~ 6:30 p.m.

Fr. Mike will present the program, *Antarctica—The Crystal Desert*. We will also be choosing our **Woman of the Year**, so please be thinking about who you would like to nominate. Refreshments will be provided by Jo Ann White and Jeanette Reifel.

RE LENTEN FOOD (& OTHER ITEMS) DRIVE

As a special Lenten project, starting THIS WEEK-END and continuing through the end of April, our Religious Education department will be holding a drive to collect items for the Watseka Area Food Pantry located at the Methodist Church. Parishioners of St. Edmund's are welcome to donate to this most worthy cause.

Any non-perishable food items will be accepted along with paper products (toilet paper, paper towels, etc.), personal care items (bar soap, shampoo, etc.), diapers & baby wipes and laundry detergent.

Please put your items in the box in the vestibule of the Church just like you would for our Food Pantry weekend. Thank you!

One for the kiddos....

Q: What kind of animal could Noah not trust?

A: The Cheetah!

Preparing to hear next Sunday's Gospel:

2nd Sunday of Lent "A"

Matthew 17:1—9

"He was transfigured before them!"

- Jesus is the fullness of revelation. How does this direct my daily living?
- Jesus is the fullness of the First Covenant and the source of the New Covenant. How do the scriptures (the Torah, represented by Moses, and the Prophets, represented by Elijah) direct my daily living?
- It is good to be with Jesus. How can I better make being with Jesus central to my life this Lent?

Prayer: Lord Jesus by the glory of your Transfiguration you strengthened your disciples for the scandal of the Cross. During my Lenten Journey keep me close to you in your suffering and in your glory. Amen!

Preparing for next Sunday's Petitions:

- That through Jesus, who transcends the Law, all who glory in his name may find themselves just before God,
- That in Jesus, the fulfillment of the prophets, all the nations of the earth may find blessing,
- That the Gospel of Jesus, who destroyed death and brought life and immortality, may be preached to all peoples,
- That all who are in need of food, clothing or other needs of life, may find a generous hand and an open heart in all who follow Christ,
- That those preparing for baptism and reception into the Church may ready themselves for new life in Christ,
- That all of our parishioners may, like Peter, James and John, know the care of the living God,
- That the dead who acknowledged Jesus as the fullness of the Law and the Prophets may come to the glory of his dwelling,

We pray to the Lord

STATIONS OF THE CROSS WITH BENEDICTION

During this Lenten Season, *Stations of the Cross with Benediction* will be held every Friday at 7 p.m. at St. Edmund's and every Sunday at 4:00 p.m. at St. Mary's in Beaverville.

Knights of Columbus Council 4391

LENTEN FISH FRY

Friday, March 31 ~ 5:00—7:00 p.m.

Church Basement



COST: Free-Will Donation

Carry-Outs Will Be Available



DATES TO REMEMBER IN MARCH...

3	First Friday Stations of the Cross/Benediction: 7:00 p.m. at St. Edmund's
5	Stations of the Cross/Benediction: 4 p.m. at St. Mary's
4/5	Food Pantry
9	Euchre Party: 1—3 p.m. @ Parish Center Knights of Columbus Meeting: 6:30 p.m.
10	Stations of the Cross/Benediction: 7:00 p.m. at St. Edmund's
12	Stations of the Cross/Benediction: 4 p.m. at St. Mary's
12	Daylight Saving Time Begins
17	St. Patrick's Day Stations of the Cross/Benediction: 7:00 p.m. at St. Edmund's
19	Stations of the Cross/Benediction: 4 p.m. at St. Mary's
19	Catholic Relief Services Special Collection
20	First Day of Spring
24	Stations of the Cross/Benediction: 7:00 p.m. at St. Edmund's
26	Stations of the Cross/Benediction: 4 p.m. at St. Mary's
29	Individual Confessions: 11:30 a.m.—12:30 p.m. Penance Service: 7:00 p.m.
31	Knights of Columbus Fish Fry: 5:00—7:00 PM Stations of the Cross/Benediction: 7:00 p.m. at St. Edmund's
Apr. 2	Stations of the Cross/Benediction: 4 p.m. at St. Mary's

**LENTEN REGULATIONS
AND THE EASTER TRIDUUM**

Everyone 14 years of age or over is bound to abstain from meat on Ash Wednesday and ALL Fridays of Lent.

Everyone 18 years of age and under 59 years of age is bound to fast on Ash Wednesday and Good Friday.

On these two days of fast and abstinence, only one full meatless meal is allowed. Two other meatless meals, sufficient to maintain strength, may be taken according to each one's needs, but together they should not equal another full meal. Eating between meals is not permitted on these two days, but liquids, including milk and fruit juices are allowed. When health or ability to work would be seriously affected, the law does not oblige.

To disregard completely the law of fast and abstinence is seriously sinful.

Lent is the principal season of penance in the Christian year. All of the faithful are strongly urged to develop and follow a program of voluntary self-denial (in addition to following the Lenten regulations), serious prayer and a performance of works of charity and mercy.

ST. MARY CCW SOUP & SANDWICH SUPPER
Sunday, February 26th
(Following 4:30 p.m. Mass)

Fr. Mike will give a talk about his recent trip to the Holy Land. Please join us for our Soup and Sandwich Supper in the Parish Hall.

Everyone is welcome!



Please pray for our Service Members . . .

- PV2 Austin Grosvenor, great-grandson of Leona Shaffer
- MCSN (USN) Justin McTaggart, son of Kirk & Christine McTaggart
- 2nd Lt. (USMC) Laura Gross, granddaughter of Linda Hunt
- Lance Cpl. (USMC) Janie Gross, granddaughter of Linda Hunt

Please pray for . . .

- Rolland Morrical
- Tyler Shoven & Family

**SERVANTS OF THE HOLY HEART OF MARY
2023 PROGRAMS**

The Grace in Aging Book Study: Please join Sr. Myra Lambert, sscm, for this online program on Tuesday, March 7, from 10:00—11:30 a.m. We will discuss the book, *The Grace of Aging*, our stance on aging and our understanding of grace. *There is no cost for this program.*

How the New Testament Readings Enhance the Themes of Lenten Sundays: Please join Sr. Carol Karnitsky, sscm, on Thursday, March 9, from 9:00—10:30 a.m. at One Heart, One Soul Spirituality Center where she will give a background of the NT readings (the 2nd readings from Sunday Mass), link them to the themes of Lent in Cycle A, and suggest prayer starters for each reading. *The Cost for this program is \$15.*

Living a Whole Christian Life: The unified Pursuit of Health, Harmony, Happiness, and Heaven: Please join us at One Heart, One Soul Spirituality Center on Saturday, March 11, from 9:00 a.m.—3:00 p.m. for this presentation by Dr. Jim Schroeder, Child Psychologist. Dr. Schroeder will help us learn how to live the WHOLE Christian life by connecting faith practices, secular research, and personal experiences, with the physical, psychological, social and spiritual dimensions, the goal to uncover the joy and meaning that comes with the extraordinary realities buried in the “mundane” aspects of our everyday lives. *The cost for this program is \$25.*

Poetry Workshop Save the Dates: This is a workshop that will be presented by Erin Sweeney via ZOOM on 4 Saturdays in April (1, 15, 22 & 29) from 10:00—11:30 a.m.

For further information or to register, you can go to their website, www.sscm-usa.org, call Susan Amann at 708-790-8141, or click on the link below:

[Servants of the Holy Heart of Mary \(sscm-usa.org\)](http://www.sscm-usa.org)

The Diocese of Joliet's Department of Catechesis and Evangelization—Ministries of Mercy is accepting applications for Catholic Campaign for Human Development (CCHD) grants, beginning February 13 and continuing through May 1, and is opening up the process to parish-based projects for the first time. Grants of up to \$3,500 are available to applicant organizations and parishes. For more information or to request an application, contact Ministries of Mercy Advisor, Tanya Singh at 815-221-6128 or tsingh@dioceseofjoliet.org.

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St. Mary Website: www.stmaryschurchbeaverville.com

MASSES:	M-W-TH-F	7:30 AM
	SATURDAY	5:00 PM
	SUNDAY	8:00 AM

CONFESSIONS: Saturday, 4:30—4:50 PM or By Appointment

“Transforming the world in which we live by bringing the teachings of Jesus Christ to every living person.”

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MASS: Sunday at 4:30 p.m.

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