

## ST. EDMUND CHURCH

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MASSSES:

M-W-TH-F

7:30 AM

SATURDAY

5:00 PM

SUNDAY

8:30 AM

CONFESSIONS: By appointment only.

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

## ST. JOSEPH CHURCH

(A mission of St. Edmund Church)  
307 UNION STREET  
CRESCENT CITY IL 60928

PASTOR: Reverend Michael Powell

MASS: SUNDAY 10:00 AM

*A note from Jean Herron. . .*

### WORLD DAY OF PRAYER

The United Methodist Church in Crescent City will be hosting this year's World Day of Prayer on Friday, March 5<sup>th</sup> at 9:30 a.m. This year's program is "Build on a Strong Foundation".

All attendees are asked to please wear a mask. Thank you!

### CATHOLIC MINISTRIES ANNUAL APPEAL 2021 *Shining the Light of Christ*

Thank you to everyone who has already pledged a gift to the 2021 Catholic Ministries Annual Appeal (CMAA). Every gift, large or small, brings us closer to our parishes goals: **St. Edmund's goal is \$11,100** and **St. Joseph's goal is \$3,000**.

If you have yet to make your gift, please prayerfully reflect on how you can best support the CMAA. If we raise more than our goal, 70% of the amount over goal will be returned to us for our use. This is an amazing opportunity for our parishes.

We still have envelopes available for those wanting to contribute, but did not receive an envelope in the mail from the diocese. They can be found on the table in the vestibule or can be picked up from the rectory during normal hours of operation. You may also make a secure gift online at [jolietdioceseappeal.org](http://jolietdioceseappeal.org) or text DONATE to 815-205-1949.

### *Please pray for our Service Members . . .*

- PV2 Austin Grosvenor, great-grandson of Leona Shafer
- MCSN (USN) Justin McTaggart, son of Kirk & Christine McTaggart

*At the heart of silence is prayer. At the heart of prayer is faith. At the heart of faith is life. At the heart of life is service.*

—Mother Teresa

### CATHOLIC RELIEF SERVICES DIOCESAN COLLECTION

March 13/14, 2021

In keeping with the theme "Help Jesus in Disguise," the funds collected help support the following 6 organizations:

- **Catholic Relief Services** for international relief and development
- **Migration and Refugee Services** for refugee resettlement
- **Catholic Legal Immigration Network Inc. (CLINIC)** for immigration legal services
- **Department of Justice, Peace, and Human Development** for advocacy
- **Holy Father's Relief Fund** for emergency relief (Secretariat of Cultural)
- **Diversity in the Church** for evangelization and ministry

By supporting The Catholic Relief Services Collection, you help these organizations build richer lives for faithful around the world.

# SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 28, 2021

## MASS INTENTIONS FOR March. 1—7, 2021


<p><b>Monday, March 1, 7:30 AM</b> James "Jim" Pence by Knights of Columbus Council 4391</p>
<p><b>Tuesday, March 2: NO MASS</b></p>
<p><b>Wednesday, March 3, 7:30 AM</b> Rosario Demol by Isabel Rogers</p>
<p><b>Thursday, March 4, 7:30 AM</b> Phyllis Davenport by Mary Sorenesen</p>
<p><b>Friday, March 5 7:30 AM</b> Deceased Members of the George Markovitch Family by Barb and Dr. Gonzalo Florido <i>Morning Mass...what a way to start the day!</i></p>
<p><b>Saturday, March 6, 5:00 PM</b> Parish Families of St. Edmund's &amp; St. Joseph's</p>
<p><b>Sunday, March 7</b> 8:30 AM: Tim Carson by Christine Ryan 10:00 AM : Pam Fink by Ford-Iroquois Deanery CCW</p>

St. Edmund's Weekly Target for Operation:	\$ 3,200.00
Sunday Offering, Feb. 20/21:	\$ 1,464.00
Online Giving:	\$ 130.00
<b>DEFICIT</b> For the Week:	<b>\$ (1,606.00)</b>
St. Joseph's Sunday Offering, Feb. 21:	\$ 578.00

## LAY MINISTERS for March 6/7, 2021

<p><b>SATURDAY, March 6, 5:00 PM</b> Lector: Ericka Clark Ushers: Louise Bruens &amp; Jami Harwood Cleaner: Tyler Blanchette</p>
<p><b>SUNDAY, March 7, 8:30 AM</b> Lector: Rhonda Pence Ushers: Terry &amp; Gwen McTaggart Cleaner: Terry McTaggart Money Counters: John Tonner &amp; Elsie Hankey</p>

## FLOWERS FOR MARY'S ALTAR—MARCH

7	Chris Daszko	
14	Margaret & Gene Ochs	
21		
28		

MARCH'S items requested by the *Watseka Area Food Pantry*:  
KIDNEY OR PORK AND BEANS

PLEASE NOTE: These are only suggestions. They gladly accept any and all donations.

Preparing to hear next Sunday's Gospel:

3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of Lent "B"

John 2:13—25

*"Zeal for your House consumes me!"*

- How can I be more reverential in our Church?
- Am I more concerned with material wealth than holiness?
- Are my Lenten observances helping me prepare worthily for Holy Week?

**Prayer:** God, our Father, Jesus, your Son, called us to hold you and your House in the highest regard. Help me to never let earthly cares and riches become more important in my life. Give me the grace to appreciate holy time, holy space and holy action in my life. Amen!

## SERVANTS OF THE HOLY HEART OF MARY 2021 UPCOMING EVENTS

**Nourish for Caregivers:** Monthly meetings held via ZOOM for those caring for a loved one in any capacity. These will be held at 1 p.m. and again at 7 p.m. on the following dates in 2021:

**March 22 ~ April 19 ~ May 17 ~ June 21 ~ July 19 and August 16**

**LENT GOSPEL FILM SERIES:** This series is designed to help us appreciate the Lent Gospel stories. Each session takes a popular movie story and creates a dialogue between the movie and the Gospel using prayer, reflection and sharing. This series, offered **online via ZOOM**, will be held from **3:00—6:00 p.m.** on the following Sundays: **February 28, and March 7, 14 and 21.** The facilitator will be Sister Myra Lambert, sscm, who will celebrate her 60<sup>th</sup> jubilee in religious life this year.

For more information or to register, please call:

Susan Amann at 815-348-9871 or

Ruth Barber at 815-405-4553

## DATES TO REMEMBER IN MARCH...

6/7	Food Pantry
13/14	Catholic Relief Services Diocesan Collection
14	Daylight Saving Time Begins <b>Spring Forward!</b>
15	Parish/Finance Council Meeting: 7 p.m. @ Parish Center
17	<b>St. Patrick's Day</b>
20	<b>First Day of Spring</b>
21	Parent Meeting for Confirmation: 11:00 a.m. @ Church <b>BLESSING OF SOIL &amp; SEED MASS: 2:00 PM</b>
26	<b>Stations of the Cross w/Benediction: 7:00 p.m. @ Church</b>
27/28	<b>PALM SUNDAY</b>
31	<b>NO RE CLASSES DUE TO HOLY WEEK</b>

Please remember in prayer those called to eternal life. We extend our prayers and heartfelt sympathy to the friends and family of:

Stephen Kempen, brother of Diane (Larry) Buswell and brother-in-law of Kevin (Kim) Bohlmann

*My presence will go with you, and I will give you rest.*  
Exodus 33:14