

SUNDAY, MARCH 5, 2023

Mon.	3/6	7:30 AM	+ Sharon Quinn by Knights of Columbus Council 4391
Tue.	3/7	NO MASS	
Wed.	3/8	7:30 AM	+ Sylvia Curry by the John Gooding Family
Thur.	3/9	7:30 AM	+ Mary Claire by Ronald Neisewander
Fri.	3/10	7:30 AM	+ Jim Pence by Debra Deno



Morning Mass...what a way to start the day!!

Sat.	3/11	5:00 PM	+ Charles & Bonnie Arie by M/M Dick Arie and Diane Tegtmeyer
Sun.	3/12	8:00 AM	+ Ryan Rippe by Knights of Columbus Council 4391
		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 25/26	\$ 1,990.53
Online Giving:	\$ 283.00
DEFICIT For the Week:	\$ (926.47)

Times are tough, see what you can do!

St. Joseph's Offering, Feb. 26: \$ 2,828.00

LAY MINISTERS for March 11/12, 2023

SATURDAY, March 11, 5:00 PM

Lector: Gene Ochs

Ushers: Sandra Harris & Jo Ann White

SUNDAY, March 12, 8:00 AM

Lector: Rhonda Pence

Ushers: Chuck & Marie Garfield

Money Counters: Pat McTaggart & John Tonner

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 Rosann Miller.

CATHOLIC MINISTRIES ANNUAL APPEAL 2023

If you have already pledged your support to the Catholic Ministries Annual Appeal (CMAA), thank you! If we all participate, we can meet our parish's CMAA goals of \$12,400 for St. Edmund's and \$3,600 for St. Joseph's. Each and every gift, large or small, makes a difference.

If you still need to make your gift, please prayerfully reflect on how you can best support the CMAA this year and ensure all in our diocese know that *we belong to God*. There are many options for giving, from pledging to monthly recurring gifts. Pledge envelopes are still available in the Church pews, or you can return the pledge card you may have received in the mail from the diocese or make a gift online at [Home - Giving - Diocese of Joliet \(diojoliet.org\)](http://Home-Giving-DioceseofJoliet(diojoliet.org)).

Remember, if we raise more than our goal, the diocese will return 70% of the amounts over goal. This is an amazing opportunity for our parishes.

DIOCESAN THREE-DAY LENTEN MISSION with National Eucharistic Preacher Reverend Luke Spangnel March 23—25, 2023

The two parishes closest to our area who will be participating in this Mission are:

- **Friday, March 24 at 10:00 a.m.: Immaculate Conception in Gilman.** Topic: *This is my Body Given for You* (How the Mass brings Jesus to us...and us to Jesus.)
- **Friday, March 24 at 1:00 p.m.: St. Joseph in Bradley.** Topic: *That All May Be One* (How Holy Communion draws us into deeper union with God and one another and propels us to action and ministry out in the world.)

Preparing to hear next Sunday's Gospel:

3rd Sunday of Lent "A"

John 4:5—42

"Jesus met the woman at the well!"

- How can I come to Jesus and ask for "living water"?
- Do I worship God in spirit and in truth?
- Am I aware of Jesus' knowledge of everything I have ever done?

Prayer: Lord Jesus, at the well you invited the Samaritan woman to share in your gift of life-giving water, prefiguring the grace of baptism. Help me see in you the source of all that is energizing in this passing life and of all that is eternal in the life to come. Amen!

(Remember: Pray for the catechumens of your continent based on your birthday month!)

January/February: North America

March/April: South American

May/June: Africa

July/August: Europe

September/October: Asia

November/December: Australia

Preparing for next Sunday's Petitions:

- That, like the woman of Samaria, God may lead us to examine our lives before Christ and acknowledge our sinfulness,
- That all people, free from the spirit of doubt, may worship God in spirit and truth,
- That God may stir in all of us a deep thirst for the living water he alone can give,
- That, like the woman of Samaria, we may be strengthened to share with others what we have found in Jesus,
- That all preparing for baptism and reception into the Church may hunger for the Word of God,
- That all of our parishioners may know the love and concern of the Lord,
- That the dead, who were washed clean with the living water of baptism, may worship God in eternity in his heavenly Temple,

We pray to the Lord

DAYLIGHT SAVING TIME returns on SUNDAY, MARCH 12. Turn your clocks **AHEAD 1 HOUR** before going to bed Saturday night.

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



LENTEN SERVICES

St. Edmund's will be offering *Stations of the Cross with Benediction* EACH FRIDAY during Lent beginning at 7 p.m.

St. Mary's will be offering *Stations of the Cross with Benediction* EACH SUNDAY during Lent beginning at 4:00 p.m.

CONFESSIONS: On Wednesday, March 29, Fr. Mike will hear confessions from 11:30 a.m.—12:30 p.m. There will be a **Penance Services** that evening at 7 p.m. with Individual Confessions afterward.

HOLY WEEK/EASTER WEEKEND SERVICES

St. Mary

Holy Thursday and Good Friday Services: 4:30 p.m.

Holy Saturday Vigil Mass: 8:00 p.m.

HOLY WEEK/EASTER WEEKEND SERVICES

St. Edmund & St. Joseph

Holy Thursday and Good Friday Services: 7:00 p.m. at St. Edmund

Easter Sunday Mass Schedule:

- 7:30 a.m. at St. Edmund
- 9:00 a.m. at St. Joseph
- 10:30 a.m. at St. Edmund

RE LENTEN FOOD (& OTHER ITEMS) DRIVE

Now, through the end of April.... don't forget to bring your items to benefit the Watseka Area Food Pantry.

Thank you!

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS MEETING

Thursday, March 9th ~ 6:30 p.m.

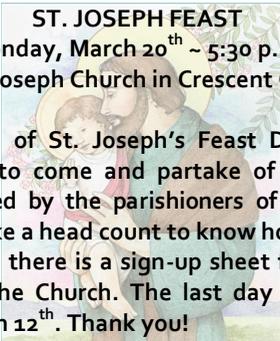
We'll be finalizing details for our Fish Fry on March 31st.

ST. JOSEPH FEAST

Monday, March 20th ~ 5:30 p.m.

St. Joseph Church in Crescent City

In celebration of St. Joseph's Feast Day, we have been invited to come and partake of a *St. Joseph Feast*, provided by the parishioners of St. Joseph's. They would like a head count to know how much food to prepare, so there is a sign-up sheet for this in the vestibule of the Church. The last day to sign up is Sunday, March 12th. Thank you!



Ford-Iroquois Deanery

Invites our Parish to Celebrate our Blessing of Soil and Seed Mass in the Comfort of Our Own Church



On the weekend of **March 18/19, 2023**, the parishes in our Deanery will each be blessing Soil & Seeds at Mass. **Fr. Mike will be doing the Blessing at all 4 Masses that weekend.**

Bring your seeds, soil, grass, landscape plants, or flowers, in plastic bags, to have them blessed for a bountiful year. Place a small sample in small plastic bags and place your bags in a larger one with your name on it and bring it to Church that weekend. There will be a basket to place your bags in and you may pick them up after Mass to take back home and sprinkle on your yard.



Please pray for our Service Members . . .

- 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
- Randy Roth

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.**

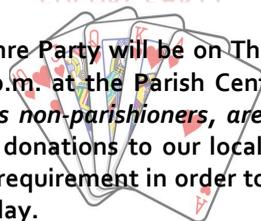
Poetry Workshop Save the Dates: This is a workshop that will be presented by Erin Sweeney via **ZOOM** on 4 Saturdays in April (1, 15, 22 & 29) from **10:00—11:30 a.m.**

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)

EUCHRE PARTY

Our next Euchre Party will be on **Thursday, March 9th** from **1-3 p.m.** at the Parish Center. **Parishioners, as well as non-parishioners, are welcome!** We gladly accept donations to our local Food Pantry, but are not a requirement in order to play. Dessert follows card play.



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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

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