

ST. EDMUND CHURCH

219 EAST LOCUST STREET
WATSEKA IL 60970

PASTOR: Reverend Michael Powell

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MASSSES:

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.”

ST. MARY CHURCH
308 ST. CHARLES STREET
BEAVERVILLE IL 60912

MASS: SUNDAY AT 4:30 PM

ST. JOSEPH CHURCH
307 UNION STREET
CRESCENT CITY IL 60928

MASS: SUNDAY AT 9:30 AM

This and That....

- Next weekend, **March 18/19**, all parishes within our deanery will be celebrating their own **Blessing of Soil and Seed Mass**. Place the items you want blessed in a plastic bag with your name on it and place it in the basket when you get to Church. You may take your items home after Mass.
- **St. Joseph's Church in Crescent City is hosting a St. Joseph's Feast on Monday, March 20th, at 5:30 p.m. at the Church.** They have invited parishioners of St. Edmund's to come and partake of this. A head count is needed, so if you'd like to attend, there is a sign-up sheet in the vestibule of the Church.
- **The Knights of Columbus will be holding a Lenten Fish Fry on Friday, March 31st from 5:00—7:00 p.m. in the Church basement. The cost is a free-will donation and carry-outs will be available.**

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

CCW SCHOLARSHIP

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ROBERT HAAS MEMORIAL/KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS SCHOLARSHIP

Applications are now available for the St. Edmund CCW Scholarship and the Robert Haas Memorial/Knights of Columbus St. Teresa of Avila Council #4391 Scholarship.

CCW Scholarship

- Must be a current, active, registered member of St. Edmund's.
- Must have already been accepted by a college/university/trade school.

Robert Haas Memorial/Knights of Columbus Scholarship

- Must be a current, active, registered member of any Parish served by our Knights of Columbus St. Teresa of Avila Council 4391.
- Must have already been accepted by a college/university/trade school.

NOTE: Current, active, registered members of St. Edmund's may apply for BOTH scholarships.

Applications may be picked up from the table in the vestibule of the Church. The Knights of Columbus will distribute copies of their scholarship to other parishes to which members belong.

ALL applications are to be returned by WEDNESDAY, APRIL 19TH, 2023. If mailing them back, they must be postmarked no later than April 17th. NO LATE APPLICATIONS WILL BE ACCEPTED. They may be dropped off at St. Edmund's Rectory between 8 a.m.—12 p.m., M-F or mailed to St. Edmund Catholic Church; ATTN: Scholarship Committee; 219 E. Locust St., Watseka, IL, 60970. Please note on your return envelope which organization's scholarship application it is. Applications with all the required information attached may also be emailed to StEd1997@outlook.com.

GOOD LUCK TO ALL APPLICANTS!

SUNDAY, MARCH 12, 2023

MASS INTENTIONS FOR March 13—19, 2023

Monday, March 13, 7:30 AM
+ John & Mary German by Nick & Roxanne Adsit

Tuesday, March 14: NO MASS

Wednesday, March 15: NO MASS

Thursday, March 16, 7:30 AM
+ Sam Ochs by Jim & Candice Ochs

Friday, March 17, 7:30 AM
+ Bobby Hansen by Knights of Columbus Council 4391
Morning Mass...what a way to start the day!!

SATURDAY, March 18, 5:00 PM
5:00 PM: + Wendell Drew by Our Parish Family

SUNDAY, March 19
8:00 AM: + Jim Gallahue by Knights of Columbus Council 4391
9:30 AM: Our Parish Families
4:30 PM: Mass at St. Mary's

St. Edmund's Weekly Target for Operation: \$ 3,200.00

Sunday Offering, March 4/5: \$ 2,896.00

Online Giving: \$ 158.00

DEFICIT For the Week: \$ (146.00)

Times are tough, see what you can do!

St. Joseph's Sunday Offering, March 5: \$ 445.00

LAY MINISTERS for March 18/19, 2023

SATURDAY, March 18, 5:00 PM

Lector: Paula Hodak

Usher: Dick Arie

SUNDAY, March 19, 8:00 AM

Lector: Julie Schippert

Usher: Carol Houmes

Money Counters: Louise Bruens & Brittany Cluver

SECOND COLLECTION

CATHOLIC RELIEF SERVICES

Next Weekend ~ March 18/19, 2023

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.

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

Mary Lou Conlin, long-time St. Edmund parishioner

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

Preparing to hear next Sunday's Gospel:

4th Sunday of Lent "A"

John 9:1—41

"I was blind but now I see!"

- What "blindnesses", physical, spiritual or emotional, do I experience?
- How can I bring these "blindnesses" to Jesus as ask for healing?
- What possibilities can I benefit from with newfound "sight" in Christ?

Prayer: Lord Jesus, you came that the blind may see. Fill my mind and heart with your love so that as the great Holy Week approaches I may truly see how to join in the Paschal Mystery. 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 God may dispel all darkness and be the light by whom we see all things,
- That all people may be gently led to Christ who gives true sight,
- That the elect preparing for baptism, may be led to open their eyes and hearts toward God,
- That all of us may be readied to renew our baptismal resolutions on Easter,
- That, transformed in the Holy Spirit, we may seek the things that are holy and just,
- That all who suffer persecution for the faith may find their strength in him,
- That all of our parishioners may find their needs met in Christ,
- That the deceased who died with Christ in baptism may rise with him to eternal life,

We pray to the Lord.

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. 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