

ST. EDMUND CHURCH

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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

ST. JOSEPH CHURCH
307 UNION STREET
CRESCENT CITY IL 60928

MASS: SUNDAY AT 4:30 PM

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CCW SCHOLARSHIP & 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*. They may be picked up from the table in the vestibule of the Church.

ALL applications are to be returned by WEDNESDAY, APRIL 16, 2025.

GOOD LUCK TO ALL APPLICANTS!

Father John Sebahar Scholarship

The Ford-Iroquois Council of Catholic Women, in honor of Fr. John Sebahar, has established a one-time \$500 scholarship to practicing graduating seniors who desire to further their education.

An information sheet and an application form for this scholarship may be picked up from the table in the vestibule of the Church.

All applications must be postmarked by April 30th. If emailed, they must be received by midnight on April 30th.

RE LENTEN FOOD DRIVE

ONGOING NOW THROUGH THE END OF LENT



Items may be placed in the big brown donation box in the vestibule of the Church or in the baskets in the entryway of the Parish Center (when Patti is there). Thank you!

CATHOLIC CEMETERY PRE-ARRANGEMENTS

Plan Today for Peace of Mind Tomorrow

It's difficult to think about but pre-planning your Catholic cemetery arrangements today protects your family from the heartbreak and financial worry of having to make these decisions tomorrow. Look for special savings in your mailbox soon and visit <https://cemeteries.diojoli.org/> for more details. *We're here to help!*

HOLY WEEK/EASTER SERVICES

April 17—20, 2025

ST. MARY

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

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

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



Lenten Stations of the Cross with Benediction
ST. EDMUND: *Fridays during Lent at 7:00 p.m.*

Lenten Stations of the Cross (No Benediction)
ST. MARY: *Sundays during Lent at 3:45 p.m.*

SUNDAY, March 23, 2025

MASS INTENTIONS FOR March 24—30, 2025

Monday, March 24, 7:30 AM
 + *Kellie Hummel-Barnett Birthday Remembrance by Arlene Hayes and Bob Cyborski*

Tuesday, March 25: NO MASS

Wednesday, March 26, 7:30 AM
 + *Kenneth & Alice Tuelp by Chris Daszko*

Thursday, March 27, 7:30 AM
 + *Lloyd Eastburn by Knights of Columbus Council 4391*

Friday, March 28, 7:30 AM
 + *Beulah Carrie by Jim & Mary Jane LaFond*

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

Saturday, March 29, 5:00 PM
 + *Maxwell Gooding by John Gooding and Family*

Sunday, March 30:
 8:00 AM: +*Kenneth Ducat by Ron & Dolores Bowers; Sheila Harman*
 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 15/16:	\$ 1,394.00
Online Giving:	\$ 150.00
DEFICIT for the Week:	\$ (1,656.00)
St. Joseph's Sunday Offering, March 16:	\$ 1,374.00

LAY MINISTERS for March 29/30, 2025

SATURDAY, March 29, 5:00 PM

Lector: Mark Calvin

Ushers: Doug & Patti Duffy

SUNDAY, March 30, 8:00 AM

Lector: Sara McTaggart

Usher: Carol Houmes

Money Counters: Joe Lyznicki & Laura Stepp

Iroquois Memorial Hospital
ANNUAL BRUNCH
 (Silent Auction and Raffle Baskets donated by local business and community members)

Sunday, April 6
 8:00 a.m.—1:00 p.m.
 Watseka Community High School
 Performances by *A Natural High* will be held at 9 a.m. & 11 a.m.

MENU
 Biscuits & Gravy ~ Sausage, Egg & Potato Casserole ~ Bacon, Egg & Potato Casserole ~ Fruit ~ Donuts ~ Cinnamon Roll ~ Drinks

FREE-WILL DONATIONS
All donations benefit the Iroquois Memorial Hospice Memorial Fund.

Preparing to hear next Sunday's Gospel:

4th Sunday of Lent C

Luke 15:1—3; 11—32

"A many had two sons!"

- How have I ever been like the selfish younger son?
- How have I ever been like the bratty older brother?
- Have I ever been like the loving father?

Prayer: Lord Jesus, you call me to honestly recognize the evil I have done and the grudges I have harbored. Help me to bring them all to your loving Father and to ask for forgiveness and reconciliation during this Lenten Season. Help me prepare for Holy Week. Amen!

Preparing for next Sunday's Petitions:

- That the Church of Christ may be the instrument of his reconciliation with the world,
- That all who have wandered far from Christ and his Church may be led to return in sincere repentance,
- That the Church may always be graced to rejoice in the conversion of sinners,
- That catechumens and candidates for the Sacraments of Initiation may be enlightened by the Holy Spirit,
- That, like the harvest of the Land of Canaan, God may bless the work and the produce of all of our farmers,
- That our parishioners who turn to God in prayer, may know his loving care,
- That those who sleep in death may come to share in the heavenly feast,

Let us pray to the Lord.



WEEKLY BIBLE STUDY GROUP

St. Edmund Parish Center

TUESDAYS at 1:00 p.m.

NEW MEMBERS ARE ALWAYS WELCOME!

CATHOLIC RELIEF SERVICES SPECIAL COLLECTION

March 29/30, 2025

Your support for this collection provides emergency assistance to victims of war and natural disasters; assists migrants and refugees who need housing, education, and specialized legal assistance; and supports travelers and others whose livelihoods require special pastoral support to access the sacraments. Among the most vulnerable of migrants are the victims of human trafficking. Please prayerfully consider how you can support this collection this year.

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

Don Kaufman, brother of Gail (Marie) Kaufman

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

Please pray for . . .

- Gary Cahoe
- Morgan Shoemaker