

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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DATES TO REMEMBER IN APRIL:

- 2 HOLY THURSDAY
- 3 GOOD FRIDAY
- 5 EASTER SUNDAY
Food Pantry
- 6 CCW Meeting: 6:30 pm at the Parish Center
- 9 Euchre Party: 1—3 p.m. at the Parish Center
Knights of Columbus Meeting: 6:30 p.m.
- 22 CCW & Robert Haas Mem./K of C Scholarship Applications are Due.
Administrative Professionals Day
Earth Day
- 26 First Communion: Mass at 11:00 a.m.
- 30 Fr. John Sebahar Scholarship Applications are Due

FLOWERS FOR MARY'S ALTAR—APRIL

- 5 St. Edmund
- 12
- 19 Margaret Ochs
- 26 Don & Rosann Miller



PONTIFICAL GOOD FRIDAY COLLECTION

Friday, April 3, 2026

This collection offers all Catholics an opportunity to express their solidarity with Christians in the Holy Land and helps make a difference in the lives of Christians. Your support helps the Church minister in parishes, provide for Catholic schools, offer Religious Education, and helps preserve the sacred shrines of Christianity.

There will be a basket on the left side of the Church, as you enter, in which to place your donations. Thank you!

ST. EDMUND'S CCW MEETING

Monday, April 6, 2026

Our program, *Get Fit with Kelli*, will be presented by Kelli Peters from Spleodar Follaine, located on Walnut Street in Watseka. We will also be voting on our new co-presidents, so please plan on joining us and making your voice heard!

Refreshments will be provided by Mary Jane LaFond and Jeanette Reifel.

EUCHRE PARTY

Thursday, April 9, 2026

1-3 p.m. - St. Edmund's 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.



KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS MEETING

Thursday, April 9, 2026

Church Basement

Please pray for . . .

- Gary Cahoe
- Louise Bruens

PALM SUNDAY, March 29, 2026

MASS INTENTIONS FOR March 30—April 5, 2026

Monday, March 30, 7:30 AM
 * *Vincent Bowers Birthday Remembrance by His Family*

Tuesday, March 31: NO MASS

Wednesday, April 1, 7:30 AM
 * *Josephine Bowers Birthday Remembrance by Her Family*

Thursday, April 2, 7:00 PM
 * *Bill Nagele by His Family*

Friday, April 3, 7:00 PM
Evening Memorial of our Lord's Passion

Morning Mass....what a way to start the day!
NOTE: Daily Morning Mass is held at the Parish Center. Holy Day, First Friday and Ash Wednesday Masses are held at the Church.

Saturday, April 4, 8:00 PM
Mass at St. Mary's

Sunday, April 5:
 7:30 AM: * *Thelma Miller Birthday Rem. by M/M Ron Bowers & Sheila Harman*
 9:00 AM: * *Fred Schmitt by Joan (Schmitt) Bolles*
 10:30 AM: *Our Parish Families*

St. Edmund's Weekly Target for Operation:	\$ 3,200.00
Sunday Offering, March 21/22:	\$ 1,879.00
Online Giving:	\$ 305.00
DEFICIT for the Week:	\$(1,016.00)
St. Joseph's Sunday Offering, March 22:	\$ 693.00

LAY MINISTERS for April 2—5, 2026

HOLY THURSDAY, April 2, 7:00 PM
 Lector: Dick Arie
 Ushers: Doug & Patti Duffy

GOOD FRIDAY, April 3, 7:00 PM
 Lector: Paula Williamson
 Ushers: Dick & Peggy Arie

EASTER VIGIL, April 4, 8:00 PM
Mass at St. Mary's in Beaverville

EASTER SUNDAY, April 5
 7:30 AM
 Lector: Mark Calvin
 Ushers: Kyle, Brittany, Parker & Helena Cluver

9:00 AM
Mass at St. Joseph's in Crescent City

10:30 AM
 Lector: Jennifer Dixon
 Ushers: Kevin & Pam Verkler

Money Counters: Bill Janssen & John Tonner

Preparing to hear next Sunday's Gospel:

Easter Sunday A

John 20:1—9

"They saw and believed!"

- How can Easter 2026, change my life?
- Do I renew my baptismal commitment every day?
- How do I share the good news of Jesus' resurrection with others?

Prayer: Lord Jesus, Victor over sin and death, on this joyful Easter Day I rejoice in being your disciple. Having shared in the sorrow of your suffering and death, allow me some share in the joy of your rising from the dead! Amen!

Christ is risen! Truly he has risen!

Preparing for next Sunday's Petitions:

- That the life of Christ, risen in glory, may strengthen His Church as it proclaims the truth,
- That the light of Christ, Victor over death, may fill the hearts and minds of the newly baptized,
- That the joy of Christ, healer of all ills, may soothe all who suffer in body, mind or spirit,
- That the hope of Christ, the Way, the Truth and the Life, may strengthen all who spend themselves in the service of their brothers and sisters in Christ,
- That the holiness of Christ, True God from True God, may sanctify the homes of all believers,
- That the love of Christ, who promised to remain with us always, may be known by all of our parishioners,
- That the consolation of Christ, who gave himself up to death for us, may comfort the hearts of all who grieve and lead our beloved dead into his heavenly Kingdom,

We pray to the Lord.

ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

Holy Thursday, April 3, 2026

Following the 7:00 p.m. Mass, until 9:00 p.m.

Parishioners are invited to come and spend at least 1/2 hour with our Lord during this time. **IT IS IMPORTANT THAT AT LEAST ONE PERSON BE HERE DURING THIS TIME SO THAT OUR LORD IS NOT ALONE.**

REMINDER: GOOD FRIDAY IS A DAY OF FAST (one full meatless meal) and TOTAL ABSTINENCE (no meat for everyone 14 years of age and older).

EASTER FLOWERS FOR ST. EDMUND'S



Parishioners of St. Edmund's are invited to help decorate our Church for Easter by bringing potted, seasonal flowers to place around the altar and surrounding area. They must be **LIVE FLOWERS**—no artificial flowers, please.

We ask that you have your flowers to the Church by **NOON** on Saturday, April 4th. The Church will be open from 8:00 a.m.—12:00 p.m. so that you may drop off your flowers. Thank you!

