

ST. EDMUND CHURCH

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WATSEKA IL 60970

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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



Our Earth. Our Future.
♡ Happy Earth Day! ♡

Homemade

T O C O L O R !

Come Grow With Us!

If you didn't get a chance to sign up for any of our volunteer ministries before, there are some loose forms on that small table to the left as you enter Church. Please look it over and prayerfully consider helping St. Edmund's out in any of the many offerings.

You may put your filled out forms in the basket, which is also on that same small table. Thank you!

IROQUOIS MEMORIAL HOSPICE NEEDS YOU!

IMH Hospice invites you to be part of their compassionate team serving local patients and families. Hospice provides a variety of volunteer opportunities including:

- **Visiting Volunteers:** Provide companionship, conversation, reading to others or help with projects & tasks.
- **Sewing & Crafting:** Assist with sewing, crafting, and special projects.
- **Clerical Support:** Help office staff with filing, answering phones, and greeting visitors.
- **Fundraising:** Help with our annual events.

Call IMH Hospice at **815-432-0185** and ask for Mallory Redeker, RN, to see how you can be a volunteer on the IMH Hospice team!

SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATIONS REMINDER

- Our CCW and our Robert Haas Memorial/Knights of Columbus Council 4391 scholarship applications are due by Wednesday, April 22nd.
- The Fr. John Sebahar Scholarship application is due by Thursday, April 30th.

EASTER SUNDAY, April 12, 2026

MASS INTENTIONS FOR April 13—19, 2026

Monday, April 13, 7:30 AM
 * *Mary Jean Hartlep by Jim & Mary Jane LaFond*

Tuesday, April 14: NO MASS

Wednesday, April 15: NO MASS

Thursday, April 16, 7:30 AM
 * *Ksenia & Frushka Filc by Chris Daszko*

Friday, April 17, 7:30 AM
 * *Genevieve Powell by Dave & Eileen Rogers*

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 18, 5:00 PM
 * *Mary Jean Hartlep by Tom & Marilyn Busick*

Sunday, April 19:
 8:00 AM: * *Melissa Houmes by Our Parish Family*
 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, April 4/5:	\$ 1,812.00
Online Giving:	\$ 125.00
DEFICIT for the Week:	\$(1,263.00)
St. Edmund's Easter Offering:	\$ 3,790.00
Online Giving Easter Offering:	35.00
St. Joseph's Easter Offering, April 5:	\$ 2,635.00

LAY MINISTERS for April 18/19, 2026

SATURDAY, April 18, 5:00 PM
 Lector: Gene Ochs
 Ushers: Sandra Harris & Jo Ann White

SUNDAY, April 19, 8:00 AM
 Lector: Sara McTaggart
 Ushers: Kevin & Kim Bohlmann

Money Counters: Kendra Martin & Brittany Cluver



The Religious Education staff and students would like to thank those that contributed to our annual Food Pantry Drive. Our mission is to "feed the hungry" and the response from our Parish Family was phenomenal! The Food Pantry people were thrilled to get all of our donations! We thank you all from the bottom of our hearts!

Please pray for . . .

- Gary Cahoe
- Louise Bruens

Preparing to hear next Sunday's Gospel:

3rd Sunday of Easter A

Luke 24:13—45

"Were not our hearts burning within us!"

- Do I listen as Jesus explains the Scriptures to me?
- Do I share regularly in the Eucharist, the Heavenly Bread Jesus blesses, breaks and sets before me?
- Is my heart on fire with the love of Jesus, my Risen Lord?

Prayer: Risen Lord, you feed me with your words and with your body and Blood. During this Easter Season, set my heart on fire that I may run to share this good news with others. Amen!

Christ is risen! Truly he has risen!

Preparing for next Sunday's Petitions:

- That Jesus Christ, risen from the dead, may be preached to all nations,
- That the blood of Christ, more precious than gold or silver, may wash away the sins of the world,
- That in the Word of God, we may be fed and strengthened,
- That in the breaking of the bread, we may recognize the Risen Lord among us,
- That the newly baptized and those received into the Church may be enlightened by the truth,
- That the health care workers may be led to continue in the healing ministry of Jesus,
- That through our faith and hope, God may hear the prayers of our parishioners,
- That when evening comes and the day is over, those who sleep in Christ may enjoy the banquet of eternal life,

We pray to the Lord.

**St. Edmund CCW
 SPRING BANQUET**
 Monday, May 4, 2026—6:00 p.m.

Sign-up sheets are now up in the vestibule of the Church for our Spring Banquet. The deadline to sign up is Sunday, April 26th.

Weekly Video Reflection With Bishop Dennis E. Spies

Bishop Dennis E. Spies is inviting all of to join him for a weekly video reflection on the theme "Christ's Peace." Each week's reflection will be available at [Eastertide 2026 - Diocese of Joliet](#) and on all diocesan social media channels. New videos will be posted every Friday, ahead of the weekend vigil Mass. NOTE: Those reading this online should be able to access the site from the above hyperlink.

Christ's peace is a profound and lasting gift—one that does not depend on our circumstances but flows from God's abiding presence. It draws us closer to the heart of the Father and strengthens us to be instruments of reconciliation in our families, parishes, and communities. As Jesus teaches in the Beatitudes, "Blessed are the peacemakers, for they will be called children of God" (Matthew 5:9).