

# ST. EDMUND CHURCH

219 EAST LOCUST STREET  
WATSEKA IL 60970

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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.

“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

## IROQUOIS COUNTY FAIR

The Iroquois County Fair will run from July 18—23, 2023. Check out their website at [LOCATION & CONTACT | Iroquois County Fair \(iroquoiscofair.com\)](https://www.iroquoiscofair.com) to see the schedule of events and prices. Fun for the whole family!

*“Iroquois County Fair....where friends and family meet!”*

## Watseka Area Food Pantry VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

Please consider volunteering at the Watseka Area Food Pantry! The hours would be between 9:00—11:30 any weekday morning. Volunteers help by answering the phone, calling clients to get food orders, filling the orders, and stocking shelves. Clients pick up their orders by “curbside deliver.”

In the first 6 months of 2023 there have been 63% more clients requesting food assistance than there were during the same period of time in 2022. This ministry of area churches benefits all people of Iroquois County who are food-insecure.

To find out how and when you can help, ask someone you know who works in the Food Pantry or call 815-432-0122 on weekday mornings.

## WEEKLY BIBLE STUDY GROUP

- Every Tuesday at 1:00 p.m. at the Parish Center

*Please pray for our Service Members . . .*

- MCSN (USN) Justin McTaggart, son of Kirk & Christine McTaggart

*Please pray for . . .*

- Rolland Morrival
- Gary Cahoe
- Tina Gooding

## SERVANTS OF THE HOLY HEART OF MARY 2023 PROGRAMS

**The Chosen Bible Study:** Please join us via Zoom for this presentation using the series, *The Chosen*, beginning with Season 1, to gain insights into who Jesus is for each of us. **Dates for this are:** July 10 & 24, August 7 & 21, September 4 & 18, and October 2 & 16. These will run from 7:00—8:30 p.m. There is no charge for this series.

**Praying With Icons:** Please join us on **Thursday, August 10**, from 9:00 a.m.—4:00 p.m. at **One Heart, One Soul Spirituality Center** in Kankakee for this presentation by Sr. Jeana Visel, OSB. Participants will learn what an icon is, how it is created in prayer, and how it can be used for liturgical, devotional, and catechetical uses. Attendees will get a hands-on experience working from a prototype to make an ink drawing of an icon. **The cost for this program is \$55.**

*For further information or to register, you can go to their website, [www.sscm-usa.org](http://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)

*“You meet saints everywhere. They can be anywhere. They are people behaving decently in an indecent society.”*

*—Kurt Vonnegut*

# SUNDAY, JULY 16, 2023

## MASS INTENTIONS FOR July 17—23, 2023

**Monday, July 17, 7:30 AM**

+ Tina Bowers by M/M Ron Bowers & Sheila Harman

**Tuesday, July 18: NO MASS**

**Wednesday, July 19: NO MASS**

**Thursday, July 20, 7:30 AM**

+ Judi Bowers by M/M Ron Bowers & Sheila Harman

**Friday, July 21, 7:30 AM**

+ Zelma Bowers by M/M Ron Bowers & Sheila Harman

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

**NOTE: Daily Morning Mass is held at the Parish Center. Holy Day Morning Masses and First Friday Masses are held at the Church.**

**Saturday, July 22, 5:00 PM**

+ Genevra Gooding by Her Family

**Sunday, July 23**

**8:00 AM: Parish Families**

**9:30 AM: + Bill Dirks by Knights of Columbus Council 4391**

**4:30 PM: Mass at St. Mary's**

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

Sunday Offering, July 8/9: \$ 1,274.00

Online Giving: \$ 133.00

**DEFICIT for the Week: \$ (1,793.00)**

**Times are tough.....see what you can do!**

St. Joseph's Sunday Offering, July 9: \$ 450.00

## LAY MINISTERS for July 22/23, 2023

**SATURDAY, July 22, 5:00 PM**

Lector: Paula Hodak

Usher: Doug & Patti Duffy

**SUNDAY, July 23, 8:00 AM**

Lector: Sara McTaggart

Usher: Chuck & Marie Garfield

Money Counters: Louise Bruens & Brittany Cluver

## CELEBRATION OF LIFE

The family of **Randy "Sid" Roth** would like to invite you to a **Celebration of Life** in memory of Randy to be held on **Sunday, July 16** at the **Watseka Elks Lodge** from **1:00—4:00p.m.**

### A Note from St. Joseph's....

New vases of spring and summer flower arrangements have been purchased for St. Joseph Catholic Church. They were donated by Dean, Duane, Red and Delores (Johnson) Peterson and families in memory of their parents, Carl and Marie Peterson and brother, Allen Peterson. We thank you for your beautiful and generous gift!

St. Joseph Catholic Church



### Preparing to hear next Sunday's Gospel:

**16<sup>th</sup> Sunday Ordinary Time "A"**

**Matthew 13:24—43**

**"Jesus proposed another parable!"**

- Do I have faith, even faith the size of a mustard seed?
- Is my faith in Jesus, and my being his disciple the "yeast" that leavens the dough of my life?
- Do I carefully listen to Jesus as he explains his parables to me?

**Prayer:** Lord Jesus, you open your mouth and teach me in your parables. Help me to put aside all distractions and to listen attentively to the lessons you teach. Help me to truly be "good seed." Amen.

### Preparing for next Sunday's Petitions:

- For the Church throughout the world, that she may be taught by the deeds of God and make good ground for hope,
- For the presence of the Holy Spirit in our lives, interceding for us and praying within us,
- For leaders of nations and for those whom they govern,
- For those who follow Christ, that they may be made good seed, that grow into abundance and yield rich fruit,
- For the poor, the sick, the lonely and all in need. That the leaven of the Gospel worked into all lands and peoples may inspire others to reach out to them,
- For our parishioners, that they may be illuminated by the Spirit who comes to our aid and teaches us how to pray as we ought,
- For the dead, that like good wheat, they may be gathered into the harvest of the Lord,

*We pray to the Lord.*

### St. Peter's Lutheran Church

Crescent City, IL

"Dear Friends at St. Edmund Catholic Church,

2022 marked the St. Peter's Lutheran Food Tent's 60<sup>th</sup> year at the Iroquois County Fair! The success of an event of this magnitude would not be possible without the generous support from our surrounding communities, businesses, and fellow congregations. We are reaching out, once again, to area churches for dessert donations. On average, we serve 400-500 people daily. We anticipate needing 200-300 dessert portions per day of the fair (6 days).



**We are wondering if your congregation would be willing to donate 5 desserts to our cause.** These desserts could be pies, cakes, cake balls, brownies, bars, scotcheroos, cookies, etc....

**\*We cannot accept any desserts that require refrigeration. Desserts would need to be delivered by noon on Wednesday, July 19<sup>th</sup> to our church (403 N. Colfax St.). You may drop off desserts at the sliding door (north entrance) where there will be tables set up. They will then be transported by our runners to the fairgrounds that morning."**



**If any of our parishioners are interested in helping St. Peter's out with this, please contact Robyn Butler ASAP (call or text 773-919-9827 or email robynrenbutler@gmail.com).**

**NOTE:** I apologize for the lateness of getting this in the bulletin, but the information came in the mail late last week and I couldn't get it into last weekend's bulletin.

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