

ST. EDMUND CHURCH

219 EAST LOCUST STREET
WATSEKA IL 60970

PASTOR: Reverend Michael Powell

Rectory: 815-432-3274 ~ Office Hours: 8 a.m.—12 p.m. M-F

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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

WEEKLY BIBLE STUDY GROUP

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

THURSDAY EVENING BIBLE STUDY GROUP

Our Thursday Evening Bible Study Group will resume meeting on October 5th at 6:00 p.m. at the Parish Center. Looking forward to seeing everyone then!

Tracy Kelch

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

Kevin M. Kaufman, Son of Gail Kaufman

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

PLEASE NOTE: The *Watseka Area Food Pantry* is in need of
TOOTHBRUSHES, TOOTHPASTE and BAR SOAP.

Below are the words from a thank you note that we received from St. Peter's Lutheran Church Fair Food Stand:

*"Dear St. Edmunds Church,
Thank you for your very generous donation of desserts to St. Peter's Lutheran Food Stand. Your contribution was greatly appreciated."*

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

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.**

Poetry of Presence Writing Workshop Online Series: Please join Erin Sweeney for this workshop where we will read, write, and reflect on the topics of living, flexibility, looking outward, and silence. We will read poems from the book, *Poetry of Presence: An Anthology of Mindfulness Poems* (which can be purchased at most major retailers or online) to remind us to notice God at work in our busy lives, and journal and share about those moments in session. **The dates for this are:** September 9, 16 and 30, and October 7 from 10:00—11:30 a.m. **The cost for this series is \$45.**

For further information or to register, you can go to their website, www.sscm-usa.org, call Susan Amann at 708-790-8141, or online readers can click on the link below :

Servants of the Holy Heart of Mary (sscm-usa.org)

SUNDAY, AUGUST 6, 2023

MASS INTENTIONS FOR Aug. 7—13, 2023

Monday, August 7, 7:30 AM
+ Dorothy Foglietta by Dr. Gonzalo & Barb Florido

Tuesday, August 8: NO MASS

Wednesday, August 9, 7:30 AM
+ Antoinette Markovitch by Dr. Gonzalo & Barb Florido

Thursday, August 10, 7:30 AM
+ John & Genevieve Powell by Eileen & Dave Rogers

First Friday, August 11, 7:30 AM
+ Neonila Florido by Dr. Gonzalo & Barb Florido

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, August 12, 5:00 PM
+ Ditty & Bonnie Lynch by Dick & Peg Arie

Sunday, August 13
8:00 AM: Our 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 29/30:	\$ 1,322.00
Online Giving:	\$ 289.00
DEFICIT for the Week:	\$ (1,589.00)
Times are tough.....see what you can do!	
St. Joseph's Sunday Offering, July 30:	\$ 441.00

LAY MINISTERS for August 12/13, 2023

SATURDAY, August 12, 5:00 PM
Lector: Dick Arie
Ushers: Mike and Mary Ann Kiefer

SUNDAY, August 13, 8:00 AM
Lector: Nancy Cowan
Usher: Terry & Gwen McTaggart

Money Counters: Sue Butler & Brittany Cluver

From St. Edmund's RE Office...

If you have a child who will be either 4- or 5-years old by September 1st, 2024 and would like to enroll them in our Pre-K RE Class, please call our Religious Education Office to request a registration packet. Families (with children) new to St. Edmund's can also call to request a registration packet. Thank you.

Registration packets will be mailed out on August 17th. Fees are \$40/child with a cap of \$100/family. Registration papers and fees are DUE by August 31st. Please read through ALL the paperwork carefully. *Our first class will be Wednesday, September 13th, 2023, running from 4:00—5:00 p.m.* We look forward to seeing all the children!

Preparing to hear next Sunday's Gospel:
19th Sunday Ordinary Time "A"
Matthew 14:22—33
"Take courage, it is I!"

- How has the "boat" of my life been tossed about by waves?
- Does truly encountering Christ terrify me?
- Do I have the courage to "get out of the boat" and head toward Jesus?

Prayer: Lord Jesus, you manifested your divinity to me by appearing on the waves. Give me the courage to get out of the safety of my boat and come to you over the waves. Lord I believe, help my unbelief. Amen!

Preparing for next Sunday's Petitions:

- For the wisdom to stand in awe before the presence of God,
- For all who suffer from earthquake, famine, flood or disaster of any kind and for those who help them,
- For the Church, the bark for all who profess Jesus as the Son of God,
- For all who are weak in faith or waver in faith,
- For the grace of prayer in our lives,
- For our parishioners who call out to the Lord to save them,
- For all who have crossed the rough waters of life, that they may rest in the stillness only Christ can give,

We pray to the Lord.

EUCHRE PARTY
Thursday, August 10, 2023
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, August 10, 2023
6:30 p.m. ~ Church Basement.

SAVE THE DATE:
We will be holding our Cash Bash on Saturday, September 16th!

ST. JOSEPH'S CCW

St. Joseph's CCW will meet on **Sunday, September 24** immediately following Mass. All the ladies of St. Joseph's are cordially invited to attend and see what kind of projects/programs we will be undertaking. Please plan to attend and be a part of this awesome group of women!

Tracy Kelch, President

We would like to wish Joe and Rose Blaha a very **HAPPY 50TH WEDDING ANNIVERSARY!**

We would also like to wish Terry and Rosemary Popham a very **HAPPY 65TH WEDDING ANNIVERSARY!**

We wish both of these couples many more years together blessed with all things good!

Your St. Joseph's Family