

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.

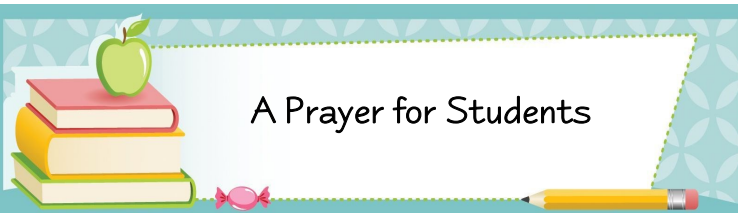
“Transforming the world in which we live by bringing the teachings of Jesus Christ to every living person.”

ST. MARY CHURCH
308 ST. CHARLES STREET
BEAVERVILLE IL 60912

MASS: SUNDAY AT 4:30 PM

ST. JOSEPH CHURCH
307 UNION STREET
CRESCENT CITY IL 60928

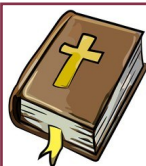
MASS: SUNDAY AT 9:30 AM



A Prayer for Students

Lord,
Thank you for the unique gifts of every child as they transition into a new school year. Fill each student with fresh enthusiasm and a heart that is excited to learn and grow. Cover them with your enduring love, give them confidence and grace, and equip them with the ability to persevere through trials. Bless their teachers with wisdom, understanding, and a heart to serve, as they embark on the journey together! Amen!

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WEEKLY BIBLE STUDY GROUP
St. Edmund Parish Center

TUESDAYS at 1:00 p.m.

NEW MEMBERS ARE ALWAYS WELCOME!

Please pray for . . .

- Gary Cahoe
- Tina Gooding
- Morgan Shoemaker

SERVANTS OF THE HOLY HEART OF MARY

2024 Programs

How Does the Eucharistic Revival Speak to the SSCM Charisms:
This program will be via ZOOM on **Wednesday, August 21st** from **6:30—8:00 p.m.** and will be presented by Sr. Amy Mejia, sscm, Monica Phan and Karen Lance.

Those reading this online can click on the link below for more information or to register:

[Servants of the Holy Heart of Mary \(sscm-usa.org\)](http://servantsoftheholymary.org)

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 21st. Fees are \$40/child, with a cap of \$100/family. Registration papers and fees are DUE by September 5th. Please read through ALL the paperwork carefully. *Our first class will be Wednesday, September 18th, 2024, running from 4:00—5:00 p.m.* We look forward to seeing all the children!

If you want something you have never had, you must be willing to do something you've never done.

Mark Hart
Blessed Are the Bored in Spirit

SUNDAY, August 11, 2024

MASS INTENTIONS FOR August 12—18, 2024

Monday, August 12, 7:30 AM
 + John & Genevieve Powell by Dave & Eileen Rogers

Tuesday, August 13: NO MASS

Wednesday, August 14: NO MASS

Thursday, August 15: NO MASS

Friday, August 16: NO MASS

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 17, 5:00 PM
 + Bernadine Buswell Anniversary Remembrance by Mary Langellier

Sunday, August 18
 8:00 AM: + Parish Families
 9:30 AM: Jim Hamilton by Mary & Family
 4:30 PM: Mass at St. Mary's

PLEASE NOTE: Fr. Mike will be attending the *National CCW Convention* from August 13—18, so there will only be one daily Mass next week on Monday, August 12th.

Offering Mass for us next weekend will be our favorite sub, Fr. Vern Arseneau. Please make him feel welcome.

St. Edmund's Weekly Target for Operation:	\$ 3,200.00
Sunday Offering, August 3/4:	\$ 2,218.00
Online Giving:	\$ 185.00
DEFICIT for the Week:	\$ (797.00)
St. Joseph's Sunday Offering, August 4:	\$ 800.00

LAY MINISTERS for August 17/18, 2024

SATURDAY, August 17, 5:00 PM

Lector: Mark Calvin

Ushers: Don & Rosann Miller

SUNDAY, August 18, 8:00 AM

Lector: Sara McTaggart

Ushers: Terry & Gwen McTaggart

Money Counters: Brittany Cluver & Laura Stepp

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

David Harvey, husband of Pam Harvey

My presence will go with you, and I will give you rest.

Exodus 33:14

Preparing to hear next Sunday's Gospel:

20th Sunday Ordinary Time B

John 6:51—58

"Whoever eats my Flesh and drinks my Blood abides in me!"

- How central is the Mass to my life as a Catholic?
- Do I appreciate the fact that I am actually receiving the Body of Christ in Communion?
- How can I better live out what I do at Mass through the rest of the week?

Prayer: O Sacrament most holy, O Sacrament divine, all praise and all thanksgiving be every moment thine. Amen!

Preparing for next Sunday's Petitions:

- That the banquet of wisdom may be set before all peoples,
- That the Body and Blood of Christ may feed and sustain us on our pilgrim way,
- That all Christians may be gathered together around the one altar of Christ's sacrifice,
- That those who till the soil and tend the vine may be blessed in their labors,
- That the poor, the hungry and the lost may find sustenance and solace in Jesus,
- That God may hear and respond to the prayers our parishioners bring to him,
- That the dead, who shared in the Body of Christ, may come to eternal life,

Let us pray to the Lord.

A PRAYER FOR TEACHERS

God of Love... Thank you for every teacher who notices a child's special gift. Thank you for teachers who are listeners and gentle guides. Thank you for teachers who expect much and love enough to demand more. Thank you for the special teacher each one of us remembers.

God of Mercy... Sustain teachers who give everything they have. Strengthen teachers who assume the blame for so many problems beyond their control. Help exhausted teachers rest.

God of Strength... Encourage teachers to care and inspire them to nourish. Motivate teachers to keep on learning for the fun of it and to make learning enjoyable for children.

We wonder at teachers who know how to quiet a class of five year olds or help fourth graders be empathetic. We admire teachers who enjoy middle school writers, or teach physics or math or history. Bless the people who are expected to accomplish these miracles and who know how to comfort children when miracles don't happen.

God of Justice... Help and support teachers in their special calling, wherever they teach and whatever obstacles they must face. We pray these things in the name of our great teacher, Jesus Christ. Amen.

—Prayer from the *National Catholic Education Association*