

ST. EDMUND CHURCH

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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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MASSSES:	M-W-TH-F	7:30 AM
	SATURDAY	N/A
	SUNDAY	8:30 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. JOSEPH CHURCH

(A mission of St. Edmund Church)
307 UNION STREET
CRESCENT CITY IL 60928

PASTOR: Reverend Michael Powell

MASS: SUNDAY 10:00 AM (Outdoors, weather permitting)

A note from our RE Office . . .

Religious Education registration papers are due NOW. If you have not already sent yours back, please do so ASAP. If you have any questions, please call Patti Duffy, our Coordinator of Religious Education, at 815-432-5569. She is in her office on Tuesdays, Wednesdays, and Thursdays. Thank you!

Classes will resume on Wednesday, September 16 at 4:00 p.m.

St. Edmund's Weekly Target for Operation:	\$ 3,200.00
Sunday Offering 8/30/20:	\$ 879.00
Online Giving:	\$ 155.00
DEFICIT For the Week:	\$ (2,166.00)
St. Joseph's Sunday Offering:	\$.00

ST. EDMUND CCW

Our CCW officers have decided to not have meetings until possibly March, 2021. Due to the many requirements that have to be followed because of COVID-19, it would take a lot of time and work to prepare for each meeting.

The officers will make decisions, when needed, for various things that might come up. We look forward to seeing you at the next meeting when it is safe to do so.

CCW Officers

From the Diocese . . .

St. Edmund's, St. Joseph's and the Diocese of Joliet are overjoyed to invite all the people of our diocese and throughout the Church to join us in celebrating the installation of our new bishop, Most Reverend Ronald A. Hicks, later this month.

On the eve of the Installation, Bishop Hicks will join our priests for a **Vespers Service of Welcome** at the Cathedral of St. Raymond Nonnatus. This will begin at 7 p.m. on **Monday, September 28, 2020.**

Bishop Hicks will be installed as the sixth Bishop of Joliet by the Apostolic Nuncio to the United States, the Most Reverend Archbishop Christophe Pierre, on **Tuesday, September 29, 2020 at 10 a.m.** The **Installation Mass** will also take place at the Cathedral of St. Raymond Nonnatus.

Due to the gathering limitations in place during COVID-19, participation will be by **invitation only**. Both events will be **livestreamed for all to join us virtually at:**

<http://www.dioceseofjoliet.org> or

<http://www.youtube.com/DioceseofJolietIL>

Bishop Hicks will begin his service to the Diocese of Joliet on Wednesday, September 30. Correspondence and invitations to activities, or requests for appointments on or after that date should be submitted to Julie Grzadzinski, Administrative Assistant to the Bishop at jgrzadzinski@dioceseofjoliet.org, 815-221-6185, or at the Blanchette Catholic Center, 16555 Weber Road, Crest Hill, IL 60403.

The continued prayers of all in our diocesan community are welcome as we rejoice in the unfolding of our history.

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 6, 2020

MASS INTENTIONS FOR SEPT. 7—13, 2020

Monday, September 7, 7:30 AM

Peter Daszko by Christina Daszko

Tuesday, September 8: NO MASS

Wednesday, September 9, 7:30 AM

Amada Dingal Anniversary Remembrance by Isabel Rogers

Thursday, September 10, 7:30 AM

Dominic & Bonnie Lynch by Terry & Rhonda Pence & Family

Friday, September 11, 7:30 AM

Don Noonan by Knights of Columbus Council 4391

Saturday, September 12: Private Mass by Fr. Mike

Esther Ingram by Her Family

Sunday, September 13

8:30 AM: Michael Dolan by John Gooding & Family

10:00 AM : Parish Families of St. Edmund's & St. Joseph's

8:30 AM Mass: Held at St. Edmund's

10:00 AM Outdoor Mass: Held at St. Joseph's in Crescent City

Preparing to hear next Sunday's Gospel:

24th Sunday Ordinary Time "A"

Matthew 18:21—35

"Each of you needs to forgive your brother from your heart!"

- Do I forgive those who come to me in contrition?
- Do I forgive those who do not come to me in contrition?
- Do I forgive those who are still angry toward me and wish me ill?

Prayer: Lord God, Heavenly Father, help me to hear the call of your Son to forgive others who have wronged me and to seek forgiveness from those whom I have wronged. Inspire me to say this prayer for others: "God bless them and give them what they need." Amen!

SECOND COLLECTION

This Weekend, September 6, 2020

This weekend's second collection is for our Religious Education Program. Unlike our other special collections that get sent to the Diocese or elsewhere, this collection stays right here at St. Edmund's and benefits our children and our parish. Your generosity is greatly appreciated....thank you!

*"For it is in giving that we receive."
St. Francis of Assisi*

We're Making Progress!

What a year...after all that we have been through this year, we can see the progress we have made and the work that still needs to be done. I hope we can restart 5:00 p.m. Saturday Mass soon. The challenge with this plan is to have enough ushers to prepare the Church before the Mass, ensure proper procedures during the Mass and sanitizing after the Mass. Several parishioners have already come forward.

We also have the challenge of steady and adequate collection income. Trust me, in these difficult times when all families have to rethink their budgets, the St. Edmund ~ St. Joseph family is centered on proper and responsible use of our resources. As we often hear, we are in this together and we are slowly but surely moving in the right direction. There's an old Latin proverb: "Festina lente", Make haste, slowly. That's what we are doing.

Blessings,
Fr. Mike

LAY MINISTERS for September 13, 2020

USHERS:	Linda Hunt, Gene Ochs, Amy Curry
LECTOR:	Doug Duffy

PLEASE NOTE: Mass attendees are welcome to light candles at our Sacred Heart of Jesus altar. You can do this before Mass once you have been shown to your pew or after Mass after everyone else has exited.



SPIRITUAL BOUQUET FOR BISHOP RONALD HICKS

Joliet Diocese CCW

The Joliet Diocese CCW has decided to invite all the CCW groups within our 6 deaneries to participate in a Spiritual Bouquet to welcome Bishop Ronald Hicks to our Diocese.

What is a Spiritual Bouquet, you ask. Here is how it works. We will collect prayers from our Ford-Iroquois CCW Deanery members. You may choose from the list below and estimate how many prayers you will pray for the well-being and intentions of Bishop Hicks from September 20th—December 31st (15 weeks or 103 days is the time frame). Any number of prayers is acceptable.

- Decades of the Rosary
- Rosaries
- Novenas
- Litanies
- Chaplets
- Masses
- Daily Prayer
- Adoration/Visits to the Blessed Sacrament
- Other

Examples: 103 Daily Prayers.....8 Masses.....30 Rosaries. There is no set way to do this. Whatever you feel like doing will be fine.

Please text or email what you plan on doing to either Louise Bruens (815-471-3033 or helenbruens@att.com) or Jeanette Reifel (815-889-4962 or jdreifel@yahoo.com) by Sunday, September 6th. Our prayers will be added to those from the other 5 deaneries and will be presented to Bishop Hicks with either a real bouquet or a plant. Thank you!

