

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

ST. JOSEPH CHURCH
307 UNION STREET
CRESCENT CITY IL 60928

MASS: SUNDAY AT 4:30 PM

MASS: SUNDAY AT 9:30 AM

NAWAS INTERNATIONAL TRAVEL, INC.

ITALY PILGRIMAGE



HOSTED BY:
Fr. Mike Powell
\$4979 from Chicago

11 DAYS: APRIL 28 - MAY 8, 2025

VISITING:
Venice ♦ Florence ♦ Assisi ♦ Rome
Including

The Opportunity to Pass Through The Holy Doors of the Basilica of St. Peter in Vatican City & the Other Three Major Basilicas

TOUR FEATURES:

- Roundtrip air from /Chicago
- \$530 government taxes & airline surcharges
- First class/select hotels based on 2 persons sharing in twin bedded rooms with private bath
- Most Meals
- Services of a professional English-speaking tour director
- Comprehensive sightseeing

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Holy Year Pilgrimage Update!

On **Monday, September 9th**, at 6:30 p.m. in the **St. Edmund Parish Center**, we will have an information evening for the upcoming trip to Italy for the Holy Year 2025. We will take a virtual tour of the cities we will be visiting and it will be a great opportunity for any questions or concerns regarding this event. All are welcome, come enjoy the presentation, whatever your plans may be.

Looking forward to seeing ya' all!

Fr. Mike

HARVEST DAYS DONATIONS

This year's Harvest Daze will be held on October 5/6. We are reaching out to Iroquois County residents for donations of baked goods, jams, jellies, craft items, garden produce, etc. These items can be brought to the Courthouse Museum on Friday, October 4th or Saturday, October 5th, between 10:00 a.m.—4:00 p.m. *Please mark the baked items if they are sugar free or have nuts in the ingredients.*

Please call Denise Harwood at 815-432-4604, or the museum office at 815-432-2215 with any questions.



WEEKLY BIBLE STUDY GROUP
St. Edmund Parish Center

TUESDAYS at 1:00 p.m.

NEW MEMBERS ARE ALWAYS WELCOME!



BLOOD DRIVE

Monday, September 9, 2024
Sheldon Community Center
12:30—6:00 p.m.



To make an appointment, please call Marilyn Busick at 815-867,7219 or go online at redcrossblood.org.

Please pray for . . .

- Gary Cahoe
- Tina Gooding
- Morgan Shoemaker

SUNDAY, September 8, 2024

MASS INTENTIONS FOR Sept. 9—15, 2024

Monday, September 9, 7:30 AM

+ *Mary Claire by Christina Daszko*

Tuesday, September 10: NO MASS

Wednesday, September 11, 7:30 AM

+ *Norma Morgan by Phyllis Donohue*

Thursday, September 12, 7:30 AM

+ *James J. Reeves by Nick & Roxanne Adsit & Family*

Friday, September 13, 7:30 AM

+ *Steve Quick by Knights of Columbus Council 4391*

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, September 14, 5:00 PM

+ *Deceased Members of the Campbell Family by RE Staff*

Sunday, September 15

8:00 AM: *Mary Claire Anniversary Remembrance by Her 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, August 31/Sept. 1: \$ 3,078.00

Online Giving: \$ 450.00

BONUS for the Week: \$ 328.00

St. Joseph's Sunday Offering, September 1: \$ 925.00

LAY MINISTERS for September 14/15, 2024

SATURDAY, September 14, 5:00 PM

Lector: Dick Arie

Ushers: Tom & Marilyn Busick; Linda Hunt

SUNDAY, September 15, 8:00 AM

Lector: Bill Janssen

Usher: Kendra Martin

Money Counters: Brittany Cluver & Louise Bruens

EUCHRE PARTY

Thursday, September 12, 2024

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, September 12, 2024

6:30 PM

Church Basement

Preparing to hear next Sunday's Gospel:

24th Sunday Ordinary Time B

Mark 8:27—35

- Who do I say Jesus is?
- Have I ever considered Jesus' prediction of his passion and how that might affect me?
- What "cross" do I need to take up today?

Prayer: Lord Jesus, after your disciples acknowledged you as the Christ, you taught them that that would cost you your life. I wish to come after you, help me deny myself of what ever may come between us. Amen!

Preparing for next Sunday's Petitions:

- That Pope Francis, whom God has called to be bishop, may be strengthened as he ministers in apostolic succession to Peter,
- That Christians may be emboldened to take up their cross and follow Jesus,
- That God may lead us to be firm in faith and to show that faith in our works,
- That in the grace of humility, we may never boast of anything, save the Cross of our Lord, Jesus Christ,
- That all who suffer for their profession of faith in the Triune God may know the consolation of God's love,
- That Jesus may bring the prayers of our parishioners to his loving Father,
- That the dead, whose earthly lives have ended, may be welcomed to the heavenly life of eternity,

Let us pray to the Lord.

ST. EDMUND FALL PARISH PROJECTS

"Over the last several years much has been done to keep our St. Edmund Parish Plant up to date. Two particular projects are now on the docket. First, the flat roof section of the rectory and Church breezeway to the rectory is well over 30 years old. Flat roofs tend to leak, and we've been having problems with that, especially in the front office. Estimated cost for this project is about \$45,000.

Second, after minor security incidents, vandalism, graffiti and accidental damage, we will prepare to install a security camera system to dissuade any further actions. The estimated cost for such a system may be as high as \$25,000."

While this is not an urgent need, we would also like to update the original carpet at the Parish Center by installing Luxury Vinyl Flooring like we have in the Church basement. This comes with a cost of approximately \$20,000 (plus incidental costs that may come up). We would also like to freshen the paint on the walls at the Parish Center before putting down the new flooring.

"Currently there is a bit over \$35,000 in our Building Fund so we have a goal of about another \$35,000 of additional funds to reach our first two goals. My check for \$1,000 will begin this effort.

Our Parish is growing in numbers of attendees at Mass (Let's make sure this years' October Pew Counts makes this clear) and is the dynamic Catholic presence in Watseka and surrounding environs. Let's keep it going...Yea Team!"

Fr. Mike