

# ST. EDMUND CHURCH

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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

## HARVEST DAZE DONATIONS

This year's Harvest Daze will be held on October 7/8. 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 6<sup>th</sup> or Saturday, October 7<sup>th</sup>, between 10:00 a.m.—4:00 p.m. Please mark baked goods if they are sugar-free, gluten-free or have nuts in the ingredients.

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

## WEEKLY BIBLE STUDY GROUP

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

*Newcomers are always welcome!*

## EUCHRE PARTY

Thursday, September 14, 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, September 14<sup>th</sup> ~ 6:30 p.m.

CASH BASH: September 16<sup>th</sup> from 6:00—10:00 p.m. at the Watseka Elks Lodge

Tootsie Rolls Street Sales: September 23<sup>rd</sup> (Volunteers Needed)

*Please pray for our Service Members . . .*

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

*Please pray for . . .*

- Rolland Morrical
- Gary Cahoe
- Tina Gooding

## SERVANTS OF THE HOLY HEART OF MARY 2023 PROGRAMS

**Finding Miracles in Our Everyday Life:** Many miracles happen in our lives everyday, but we often fail to recognize them because we aren't looking for God's glory and mystery. Please join Sr. Loretta Finn, SSCM, for this presentation on **Thursday, September 14<sup>th</sup>** from 10:00 a.m.—12:00 p.m. at One Heart, One Soul Spirituality Center in Kankakee. **The cost for this program is \$15.**

**The 19<sup>th</sup> Annotation of the Spiritual Exercises of St. Ignatius:** In The 19<sup>th</sup> Annotation, the participant experiences the Spiritual Exercises in daily life. The first meeting will be **Tuesday, September 19<sup>th</sup>**, from 7:00—8:00 p.m. **Registration closes September 12<sup>th</sup>.** **The cost for this series is \$150.**

*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 online readers can click on the link below :*

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

**A huge THANK YOU to all who gave to our Religious Education Collection. Your generosity is greatly appreciated!**

# SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 10, 2023

## MASS INTENTIONS FOR September 11—17, 2023

Monday, September 11, 7:30 AM  
+ David Stepp by His Family

Tuesday, September 12: NO MASS

Wednesday, September 13, 7:30 AM  
+ Amado Borgonia by Brilla Pratt

Thursday, September 14, 7:30 AM  
Deceased & Living Members of the Kronos/Bruens Families

Friday, September 15, 7:30 AM  
+ David Stepp by the Dale & Mary Ronna Family

**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 16, 5:00 PM  
+ Carl "Papa" Stone by Our Parish Family

Sunday, September 17  
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, September 2/3: \$ 2,673.00

Online Giving: \$ 245.00

DEFICIT for the Week: \$ ( 282.00)

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

St. Joseph's Sunday Offering, September 3: \$ 537.00

## LAY MINISTERS for September 16/17, 2023

SATURDAY, September 16 5:00 PM

Lector: Doug Duffy  
Ushers: Tom & Marilyn Busick; Linda Hunt

SUNDAY, September 17, 8:00 AM

Lector: Nancy Cowan  
Usher: Gene Ochs

Money Counters: Sue Butler & Louise Bruens

### ST. EDMUND CCW



St. Edmund's CCW will sponsor our Coffee & Rolls on Sunday, September 24<sup>th</sup> following our 8:00 a.m. Mass. Come on down to the Church basement after Mass for a nice, hot cup of coffee (or cold orange juice) and a roll and visit with your fellow Church-goers!



### ST. JOSEPH'S CCW

St. Joseph's CCW will meet on Sunday, September 24<sup>th</sup> 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

Preparing to hear next Sunday's Gospel:

24<sup>th</sup> Sunday Ordinary Time "A"

Matthew 20:1—16

*"The last will be first!"*

- How do I handle life when it's not fair?
- Am I envious of others who seem to have it better than me?
- Is God fair?

**Prayer:** Gracious and generous Father, Jesus your Son teaches me that you know what is right and just, what is fair and appropriate. Help my narrow mind and selfish heart to see in you the generous love I should show to others. Amen!

Preparing for next Sunday's Petitions:

- For the forgiveness that we need from the Lord and for the resolve to sin no more,
- For the love we need to forgive others and to let go of past wrongs and hurts,
- For strength for the Church of Christ as she continues the work of reconciliation,
- For health for the sick, substance for the hungry and a harbor for those at sea,
- For all who live in the Lord, that Christ, Lord of the living and the dead, may claim them as his own,
- For those of our parish seeking God's forgiveness and mercy,
- For our beloved dead, that having been cleaned of sin through the death of Christ, they may enter into his heavenly Kingdom,

*We pray to the Lord.*

## RE CLASSES TO RESUME

Our Religious Education Classes will resume on Wednesday, September 13 at 4:00 p.m.

Our catechists and the grades they teach are listed below:

GRADE	CATECHISTS
Pre-K	Diana Wessels
1 <sup>st</sup> Grade	TEACHER NEEDED
Sacrament Prep	Gene Ochs
4 <sup>th</sup> Grade	Kendra Martin
5 <sup>th</sup> Grade	Paula Hodak
6 <sup>th</sup> /7 <sup>th</sup> Grade	Claudio & Nancy Garcia
8 <sup>th</sup> Grade	Louise Bruens & Christina Daszko

Our Outdoor Monitors are Pete & Ashley Jeglinski and Ashley Jeglinski will also be our Upstairs Monitor.

## WILL YOU HELP?

Our Religious Education Program is in need of a first grade teacher. It's a small class consisting of only 5 students.

Classes are held on Wednesdays from 4:00—5:00 p.m. at the Parish Center. We offer a variety of teaching options, such as "team teaching" for those who may not be able to commit to teaching every week. Men and women are both welcome to teach.

For further information or any questions you may have, please call Patti Duffy at 815-432-5569. She is in her office on Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday from 9:30—4:00.