ST. EDMUND CHURCH 219 EAST LOCUST STREET WATSEKA IL 60970

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MASSES: M-W-TH-F 7:30 AM

SATURDAY 5:00 PM

SUNDAY 7:30 AM & 10:30 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 9:00 AM

Today is *Catechetical Sunday*. Below is a blessing for our catechists, as well as all others out there who are dedicated to teaching our faith to our young people. We are truly blessed to have each and every one of you!

Fr. Mike

Heavenly Father, you are the source of life and love.

Send down your Spirit upon these catechists. Inspire them to be not only teachers of your truth, but witnesses of your love.

Give them courage to heal. Help them to see the pain of those around them so that they may offer hope through loving gestures of support and prayer. May they be merciful to others as you are merciful.

Give them the joy to proclaim the Good News of salvation. Help them see your will at work in their lives so that they may share it with others. May they, in their words and deeds, offer continual praise to the one who saves us.

Give them the wisdom to teach. Help them discover the mysteries of our faith in new and exciting ways. May their curiosity inspire those who they instruct to become your loyal disciples.

We pray to you almighty Father, in the name of your Son, Jesus Christ the Master-Teacher, the Healer, and the Savior, and in unity with the Holy Spirit who inspires us with knowledge, courage, and understanding. Amen.

Jared Dees thereligionteacher.com

SERVANTS OF THE HOLY HEART OF MARY

The Servants of the Holy Heart of Mary are a group of women in Consecrated life who have a Spiritual Charism of Faith, Family Spirit and Self-Giving. They have long felt that the Holy Spirit is calling them to incarnate the hopes and dreams of their Founders, Fr. Francois Delaplace and Marie Moison, in new ways. Two of the "new ways" that they have developed are below and they invite you to join them as members of one of their ministries.

DELAPLACE PRAYER MINISTRY: Members of the Delaplace Prayer Ministry join our sisters in prayer, but participate individually, praying in their own homes and at times convenient to them. Each month, members receive:

- 1) A letter to assist in personal formation and growth
- A list of specific prayer intentions for the Sisters
- 3) A list of prayer intentions from the broader community

CONSECRATED LAITY PROGRAM: The Consecrated Laity Program is a path for women and men who seek to grow in holiness and deepen their relationship with God through a private vow of celibacy. The members of the Consecrated Laity Program begin with a time of formation, praying and studying the history and charism of the Servants of the Holy Heart of Mary, as well as what it means to commit to a private vow of celibacy.

If you are interested in learning more about either of these special programs, please contact Sr. Myra Lambert, sscm at 630-267-4021 or email her at lam-bert@sbcglobal.net.

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 19, 2021

MASS INTENTIONS FOR September 20—26, 2021

Monday, September 20, 7:30 AM

Amada Dingal Birthday Remembrance by Isabel Rogers

Tuesday, September 21: NO MASS

Wednesday, September 22, 7:30 AM
Daniel Bell by Knights of Columbus Council 4391

Thursday, September 23, 7:30 AM
Robert Grimes by Knights of Columbus Council 4391

Friday, September 24, 7:30 AM

Velma Grice by Her Family

Morning Mass...what a way to start the day!

Saturday, September 25, 5:00 PM Bob Lesch by Marion Jaworski

Sunday, September 26

7:30 AM: Sharon Shafer Anniversary Remembrance by Her Family **9:00 AM:** Allen Peterson by David & Dolores Johnson **10:30 AM:** Parish Families of St. Edmund's & St. Josephs

St. Edmund's Weekly Target for Operation:	\$	3,200.00
Sunday Offering, Sept. 11/12:	\$	2,642.00
Online Giving:	\$	90.00
DEFICIT For the Week:	(\$	468.00)
St. Joseph's Sunday Offering, September 12:	\$	387 .00

LAY MINISTERS for September 25/26, 2021

SATURDAY, September 25, 5:00 PM

Lector: Doug Duffy
Ushers: Mike & Jodie Schuler
Cleaner: Mike Schuler

SUNDAY, September 26, 7:30 AM Lector: RaDonna Hasselbring

Usher: Brittany Cluver **Cleaner:** Brittany Cluver

SUNDAY, September 26, 10:30 AM

Lector: Kendra Martin **Usher:** Amy Curry

Money Counters: Barb Mayotte & Joe Lyznicki

Please pray for our Service Members . . .

- PV2 Austin Grosvenor, great-grandson of Leona Shafer
- MCSN (USN) Justin McTaggart, son of Kirk & Christine McTaggart
- 2nd Lt. (USMC) **Laura Gross**, granddaughter of Linda Hunt
- Lance Cpl. (USMC) Janie Gross, granddaughter of Linda Hunt

Please pray for . . .

- Tina Gooding
- Rolland Morrical
- All those battling COVID-19

Preparing to hear next Sunday's Gospel: 26th Sunday Ordinary Time Mark 9:38—48 "Whoever who is not against us is for us!"

- How can I invite others to share Jesus' power over evil?
- Have I ever caused anyone to sin?
- What in my life should I "cut off" to be a better disciple?

Prayer: Loving Father, help me to hear the words of Jesus, your Son, and to authentically live them out. May I support all who share in his work and bring people to him. Amen!

ST. EDMUND CCW UPCOMING EVENTS....

FALL GATHERING

Sing Praise to the Lord
Saturday, October 2, 2021
St. Peter's Catholic Church & Hall ~ Clifton
HOST: Sts. Mary & Joseph Chebanse CCW

9:00: Mass 9:45: Registration in Hall 10:00: Music by Mark Noler & Pat Skelly 10:30: Business Meeting & Nominating Committee Elections

BOXES OF JOY

We are once again offering our *Boxes of Joy* project to anyone in our parish who would like to participate. You may choose to fill a box on your own, donate items to put in a box, or make a monetary donation toward the expense of shipping (\$9/Box...please put in an envelope marked *Boxes of Joy*). *All checks are made payable to St. Edmund's CCW*.

NEXT WEEK there will be a display up in the vestibule and a box will be available in which to put donated items. Cardboard boxes (to construct) will also be available by the display so that you can take one to fill on your own.

With items donated, we will be filling boxes at our next meeting on October 4th.

A copy of the flyer can be found on our website under the "News" tab. Thank you!

SERVANTS OF THE HOLY HEART OF MARY 2021 UPCOMING PRESENTATIONS

ONLINE PRESENTATION:

Discovering God in the Evolving Universe: Faith and the New Cosmology

What is the new cosmology, the study of the universe? How does it inform our life of faith? By presentations, personal reflection and prayer, *Presenter, Sr. Linda Hatton* will help us explore the developments in scientific thought and discoveries that have changed our concepts of created matter and what these developments reveal about the nature of the Creator God, Jesus Christ, and the Divine energy of the Holy Spirit. This online presentation will be held on Wednesday, September 29, 2021, from 6:30—8:00 p.m.

To register please visit our website:

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