

# ST. EDMUND CHURCH

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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

## KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS TOOTSIE ROLLS SALES

Tootsie Rolls may be purchased by contacting Dick Arie at 471-5569 or by stopping by Compass Insurance at 111 W. Cherry St.

Sales at St. Edmund’s are tentatively set for October 26/27.... just in time for Halloween!

Bag of 50:	\$10
Case (6 Bags of 50):	\$50
Bank Tubes (Chocolate or Fruit Flavor)	\$12/4
Case of 24 Banks (Chocolate or Fruit Flavors):	\$60



## 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 4<sup>th</sup> or Saturday, October 5<sup>th</sup>, 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.*

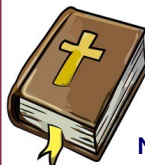
Please call Denise Harwood at 815-432-4604, or the museum office at 815-432-2215 with any questions.

## Catholic Charities SENIOR COMPANION PROGRAM

Catholic Charities’ Senior Companion Program (SCP) is looking for people 55 years or older who are interested in visiting with another homebound senior living in Kankakee or Iroquois County. This is strictly a friendly visit; no homecare duties are involved. Volunteers who meet income eligibility guidelines will receive a tax-free hourly stipend and a mileage reimbursement for time spent with clients.

Senior Companion volunteers provide assistance and friendship to older adults with difficulty with daily living tasks. This program helps seniors stay independent longer and provide respite to family caregivers. Senior Companion volunteers report better health and longevity, having served community.

In Kankakee and Iroquois Counties, call Bry Williams at 815-933-7791, ext. 9938 or email [americorpseniors@cc-doj.org](mailto:americorpseniors@cc-doj.org). For more information about this program and services provided by Catholic Charities, visit [catholiccharitiesjoliet.org](http://catholiccharitiesjoliet.org).



## WEEKLY BIBLE STUDY GROUP

St. Edmund Parish Center

TUESDAYS at 1:00 p.m.

**NEW MEMBERS ARE ALWAYS WELCOME!**

*Please pray for . . .*

- Gary Cahoe
- Morgan Shoemaker

## SERVANTS OF THE HOLY HEART OF MARY 2024 Programs

**The Fruits of the Holy Spirit:** Held October 10<sup>th</sup> from 10:00 a.m.—12:00 p.m. at One Heart, One Soul Spirituality Center in Kankakee, this program will be presented by Sr. Loretta Finn, sscm.

*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://sscm-usa.org)**

# SUNDAY, September 22, 2024

## MASS INTENTIONS FOR Sept. 23—29, 2024

Monday, September 23, 7:30 AM

+ *Mary Claire by Dr. Nick Burns*

Tuesday, September 24: NO MASS

Wednesday, September 25, 7:30 AM

+ *Carmen O'Connor by Friends*

Thursday, September 26, 7:30 AM

+ *Florence Ducat by Ron & Dolores Bowers; Sheila Harman*

Friday, September 27, 7:30 AM

+ *Art & Greta Burns by Nick Burns*

**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 28, 5:00 PM

+ *Diane Houmes by Paul and Carol Houmes*

Sunday, September 29

8:00 AM: *Our Parish Families*

9:30 AM: + *Norma Morgan by Our Parish Family*

4:30 PM: *Mass at St. Mary's*

St. Edmund's Weekly Target for Operation: \$ 3,200.00

Sunday Offering, September 14/15: \$ 2,449.00

Online Giving: \$ 210.00

DEFICIT for the Week: \$ ( 541.00)

St. Joseph's Sunday Offering, September 15: \$ 2,235.00

## LAY MINISTERS for September 28/29, 2024

SATURDAY, September 28, 5:00 PM

Lector: Doug Duffy

Ushers: Mike & Jodi Schuler

SUNDAY, September 29, 8:00 AM

Lector: Julie Schippert

Usher: Sue Butler

Money Counters: Dick Arie & John Tonner

## BUILDING FUND UPDATE

Over the past two weekends, we have gotten \$4,455.75 in donations to our Building Fund. We should have enough money in our Building Fund to get the Rectory roof replaced later this Fall. But we've still got a ways to go to cover the cost of the security camera system we would like to have installed, as well as new flooring at the Parish Center.

We thank those who have given most generously in our time of need and hope those that haven't had a chance to give, will do so. Any size amount is welcome and would be greatly appreciated! Thank you!

"The more joy we bring to others,  
the more our own joy expands."

—Matthew Kelly  
*Life is Messy*

Preparing to hear next Sunday's Gospel:

26<sup>th</sup> Sunday Ordinary Time B

Mark 9:38—48

"Whoever is not against us is for us!"

- Have I ever been jealous of another's position in the Church?
- Have I ever caused a "little one," a disciple of Jesus, to sin?
- What causes sin in my life and how can I eradicate it?

**Prayer:** Lord Jesus, help me to appreciate all who truly do your work, even if I may be selfishly envious of them. Grant that who I am, all I do and all I say may truly bring "little ones" to you. Amen!

Preparing for next Sunday's Petitions:

- For a generous outpouring of the Spirit of the Lord on all who seek and serve God,
- For charitable compassion for the poor, the sick, the hungry and the needy,
- For the grace of an abundant harvest and the justice of its fair distribution,
- For an end to all things that lead to sin,
- For an end to all actions and attitudes that do not respect human life,
- For an answer to prayers brought to God by our parish,
- For more vocations to the priesthood and religious life,
- For those who have died in the peace of Christ and for those who have died separated from him,

*Let us pray to the Lord.*

## BOXES OF JOY



St. Edmund's CCW is once again offering our **Boxes of Joy** project to anyone 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 towards the \$9.00/box shipping fee (please put in an envelope marked **Boxes of Joy**).

**All checks are made payable to St. Edmund CCW.**

Next week there will be a display up in the vestibule and a box will be available in which to put donated items. There will also be a tub in which to put your filled boxes. Cardboard boxes (to construct & fill) will also be available by the display. Donated items and filled boxes may also be brought to the **CCW Meeting on October 7<sup>th</sup>**. We will also be filling boxes at this meeting.

A list of what is/is not accepted is attached to this weekend's bulletin.

Your generosity would be greatly appreciated!



## COMMUNITY PRAYER GATHERING 2024

Wednesday, September 25<sup>th</sup> ~ 8:00 a.m.

**(IMH Flagpole on the corner of E. Fairman & S. Fourth St., Watseka)**

This Community Prayer Gathering will be in unity with the global **See You At The Pole™** (SYATP) prayer event. SYATP is a student initiated, student organized and student lead meeting to pray at the flagpole of the school they attend. Our prayers will focus on our youth, their schools, their teachers, administrators, and staff and will be lead by area Pastors instead of students. All members of our Iroquois County Community are invited to join us.