SUNDAY, OCTOBER 11, 2020

Mon.	10/12	7:30 AM	Genevra Gooding by John & Mary Kidwell	
Tue.	10/13	NO MASS		
Wed.	10/14	7:30 AM	Melvin & Doris Duensing Anniversary Remembrance by Leona Shafer	
Thur.	10/15	7:30 AM	Carolyn Oster by the Barlow Family Norma Ely Birthday Remembrance by Jan Dillman	
Fri.	10/16	7:30 AM		
Sat.	10/17		Private Mass by Fr. Mike: Adele Daszko by Christina Daszko	
Sun.	10/18	8:30 AM	Pauline Melson by Kay Martin	
		10:00 AM	Parish Families of St. Edmund's & St. Josephs	
			Private Mass by Fr. Mike: Dr. John Martin by the Martin Family	

Weekly Need for Operation:	\$ 3,200.00
Sunday Offering, October 4:	\$ 2,478.00
Online Giving:	\$ 310.00
DEFICIT For the Week:	\$ (412.00)

HOW TO COME BACK TO SUNDAY MASS

If any of you know of someone wanting to come back to Mass, but are unsure of what to do, please just have them give Colette a call and she will get them set up.

FYI: We have the parishioners divided into 2 groups—Group A & Group B and they alternate Sundays. Mass is currently being offered on Sundays at 8:30 a.m.

> Thank you, Colette

"You will never be happy if your happiness depends on getting solely what you want. Change the focus. Get a new center. Will what God wills, and your joy no man shall take from you."

—Venerable Fulton Sheen

Preparing to hear next Sunday's Gospel: 29th Sunday of Ordinary Time "A" Matthew 22:15—21 "Give to God what is God's!"

- Have I ever "tested" Jesus?
- What in my life belongs to Caesar and, more importantly, what in my life belongs to God?
- How do I use the worldly resources I have to further the Kingdom of God?

Prayer: God, our Father, Jesus, your Son, has challenged me to see what in my life is really yours. Grant me the wisdom to be a faithful, contributing member of my Country today and, at the same time, a true citizen of Heaven. Amen!



Please remember in prayer those called to eternal life. We extend our prayers and heartfelt sympathy to the friends and family of:

David Stepp, son of Sam and Sue Stepp and brother of Laura Stepp.

My presence will go with you, and I will give you rest. Exodus 33:14

LAY MINISTERS Liturgical Appointments for Next Sunday

October 18 th	8:30 AM	
LECTOR	Jeanette Reifel	
USHERS	Carol Houmes, Kayla Duffy & Patti Duffy	

OCTOBER PEW COUNTS

DATE	8:30 AM	10:00 AM (St. Joseph's)	TOTAL
4	48	Rained Out	48

IMH HOSPICE BRUNCH & SILENT AUCTION



It is with a heavy heart, that we have decided to cancel our 23rd Annual Hospice Brunch and Silent Auction this year due to the COVID-19 pandemic.

Our IMH Hospice team doubled their patient care since this time last year! Due to the tremendous growth, the need for



financial assistance is greater than ever. This year, we are asking for monetary donations so we may continue to assist the needs of hospice patients in our community.

If you would like to participate, please send your donation to:

> **Iroquois Memorial Hospice** 200 N. Laird Lane Watseka, IL, 60970.

The monies raised from our Brunch and Silent Auction go to the Iroquois Memorial Hospice Memorial Fund, which helps to finance items for patients that are not covered by their insurance or Medicare, such as medications, durable medical equipment, and other supplies.

Knights of Columbus TOOTSIE ROLLS SALES

Tootsie Rolls sales are beginning now, but are being done a little differently this year. Parishioners are asked to contact Dick Arie if interested in purchasing some. You can contact him at work, 815-432-4208 or on his cell phone, 815-471-5569. Thank you!

Case of 300: \$45

Box of 50: \$10

Case of Banks (24/case): \$40

Bank Tubes: \$10 for 4

PLEASE NOTE: You have your choice of flavors with the Tootsie Rolls Midgies that come in the Bank Tube...Chocolate or Assorted Fruit Flavors.

WORLD MISSION SUNDAY COLLECTION Sunday, October 18, 2020

Pope Francis, in his message for World Mission Sunday, implores us, "In this year marked by the suffering and challenges created by the COVID-19 pandemic, the missionary journey of the whole Church continues in the light of the words found in the account of the calling of the prophet Isaiah: 'Here I am, send me' (6:8). This is the ever-new response to the Lord's question: 'Whom shall I send?' This invitation from God's merciful heart challenges both the Church and humanity, in the current world crisis."

This year Bishop Pates has invited ALL of us to respond in the most generous way we are able, reaching out in love throughout Mission Month. Thank you!

NOTE: Because of our current situation of parishioners attending Mass every other Sunday, special collection donations will be accepted for 2 weekends to accommodate all that may want to give.





You can sign up for **Online Giving** by going to our website, **www.stedstjoe.org** and click on the **Online Giving** button.

YEAR-END GIFTING

If you are over 70 1/2, you can make contributions (up to \$100,000) from your IRA to qualified charities tax-free. IRA distributions are typically federally taxed at your ordinary income tax rate. However, distributions are TAX-FREE if made payable directly to a qualified charity.

Please consider donating to St. Edmund's or St. Joseph's directly from your IRA. It is a great way to support our parishes and provide tax savings for you. Consult your tax or investment advisor to determine the tax advantages for you and to authorize the distribution.

It is our hope that you prayerfully reflect on this and find St. Edmund's or St. Joseph's worthy of your gift. A gift to St. Edmund's or St. Joseph's in an investment in our future. Thank you!

ST. EDMUND CCW BOXES OF JOY

Don't forget, you can bring your FULLY PACKED Boxes of Joy to the Church today and NEXT SUNDAY, October, 18, between the hours of 8:00—10:00 a.m. and place them in the box to the side of the steps leading into the Church. If able, please include a check for \$9, made payable to St. Edmund CCW, to cover the cost of shipping. Thank you!

If you are unable to bring them to the Church, please feel free to drop them off at the Rectory during normal hours of operation. Thank you.

As we proceed with estate planning, let us remember our St. Edmund and St. Joseph Parishes. This generosity enables us to continue bringing the Good News of Jesus to our friends and neighbors.

FOOD FROM THE HEART, INC. Special Collection ~ November 1, 2020

On Sunday, November 1st, we will take up a Special Collection for Iroquois County's Food Basket Program, Food From the Heart, Inc., which is planning on distributing 400 food baskets in time for Christmas.

The cost of 1 basket is approximately \$30, but any amount of donation is very much appreciated. Checks are to be made payable to Food From the Heart, Inc. (NOT St. Edmund's or St. Joseph's) and can be sent directly to them at 301 S. Fourth Street; Watseka, IL, 60970. THEY ASK THAT YOU AVOID SENDING CASH. Thank you!

PLEASE NOTE: Any donations that we collect at Church will be sent directly to them, which means that these donations will NOT show up on the year-end statements that several parishioners receive.

If you have any questions, please contact Marcia Yates at 815-432-3510.

From the Diocese . . .

October is National Domestic Violence Awareness Month. To learn more about the Catholic response, visit the U.S. Bishop's website for their Pastoral Letter, "When I Call for Help."

If you, a family member or friend needs help now, contact the **National Domestic Violence Hotline**, 800-799-7233 (24/7); 800-787-3224 (TTY), www.thehotline.org. If you are in immediate danger, call 911.

Diocesan Guidelines for Voter Education

Information on this can be found at: www.ilcatholic.org. Click on *News* on their homepage and then click on the article *Illinois bishops offer guidance for Election Day*, 2020.

Please pray for our Service Members . . .

- Staff Sgt. (USAF) Andrew Kelnhofer, son of Michelle Hastings
- PV2 Austin Grosvenor, great-grandson of Leona Shafer

Please pray for . . .

Pat Shide

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MASSES:

M-W-TH-F

7:30 AM

SATURDAY

N/A

SUNDAY

8:30 AM

CONFESSIONS: 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: SL

SUNDAY

10:00 AM