

# SUNDAY, OCTOBER 17, 2021

Sat. 10/23 6:00 PM Pamela Thomason by Her Family  
 Sun. 10/24 8:00 AM Michael Zepp by Christina Daszko  
 9:30 AM Parish Families of St. Edmund's & St. Joseph's



Weekly Need for Operation:	\$ 3,200.00
Sunday Offering, Oct. 9/10, 2021:	\$ 1,317.00
Online Giving:	\$ 133.00
<b>DEFICIT For the Week:</b>	<b>\$ ( 1,750.00)</b>
St. Joseph's Offering, Oct. 10, 2021:	\$ 435.00

## LAY MINISTERS for , October 23/24, 2021

### SATURDAY, October 23, 6:00 PM

Lector: Tyler Blanchette  
 Usher: Louise Bruens  
 Cleaner: Tyler Blanchette

### SUNDAY, October 24, 8:00 AM

Lector: Julie Schippert  
 Usher: Jeanette Reifel  
 Cleaner: **NO FOGGING NEEDED**

Money Counters: Joe Lyznicki & Kendra Martin

## Knights of Columbus TOOTSIE ROLLS SALE

**\*\*THIS WEEKEND AFTER ALL MASSES\*\***

### BOXES OF JOY

The deadline to drop off your filled box, your donations to put in a box or your monetary donation to help cover the cost of shipping & handling (please make checks payable to ST. EDMUND CCW) is NEXT WEEKEND, October 23/24. Thank you!

Preparing to hear next Sunday's Gospel:  
 30<sup>th</sup> Sunday Ordinary Time  
 Mark 10:46—52  
 "Master, I want to see!"

- What kind of "blindness" do I have in my life ?
- Do I understand that I am in need of Jesus' pity?
- What kind of "sight" should I ask Jesus to grant me?

**Prayer:** Lord Jesus, may I always have the same faith that the man who was blind had when he asked for your help. Then, like the man who can now see, strengthen me to follow you on the way. Amen!

## WORLD MISSION SUNDAY COLLECTION Next Weekend, October 23/24, 2021

Next weekend is **World Mission Sunday** and the collection for this serves as a worldwide effort to provide for the strengthening of more than 1,000 local churches in Asia, Africa, the Pacific Islands, and parts of Latin America and Europe. The poor of these places receive practical help and experience God's Love, mercy and peace. Thank you.

## NO MASSES ON NOVEMBER 6/7, 2021

Because we could not get a sub, there will be NO MASSES the weekend of November 6/7, 2021. We apologize for any inconvenience this may cause anyone.

Fr. Mike is able to receive mail, so if anyone wants to send him a card or a note, please address it as below:

Fr. Mike Powell  
 c/o Guest House  
 1601 Joslyn Road  
 Lake Orion, MI, 48360

## COMMUNION SERVICE

Because we are not able to have morning Mass at St. Edmund's right now, we are currently offering a lay person lead **Communion Service** on **Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays at 7:30 a.m.** at the **Parish Center.**

## A NOTE TO OUR FOGGERS . . .

With our current Mass schedule, fogging WILL NOT have to be done after the 8:00 a.m. Sunday morning Mass.

## IMH HOSPICE BRUNCH & SILENT AUCTION

Due to Covid and safety concerns for our community, there will NOT be an in-person Hospice Brunch and Silent Auction this year. But, if you would still like to make a donation, please send it to:

Iroquois Memorial Hospice Fund  
 200 N. Laird  
 Watseka, IL, 60970  
 ATTN: La-Zann Yana

## 2021 CMAA REPORT

	ST. EDMUND	ST. JOSEPH
PARISH GOAL:	\$ 11,100	\$ 3,000
AMOUNT PLEDGED:	\$11,934	\$3,400
AMOUNT PAID:	\$11,934	\$3,75
BALANCE DUE:	\$0	25
# DONORS:	34	13
2021 REBATE:	\$584	\$193

## WELCOME FR. VERN!

Offering Mass for us on the weekends while Fr. Mike is away is Fr. Vern Arseneau, a retired diocesan priest. Please make him feel welcome. We're very happy that he is able to be here with us on the weekends....thank you, Fr. Vern!

## SNOW REMOVAL AT CHURCH

We are in need of someone to take care of our snow removal this winter. If anybody knows of anyone who does this, please contact me with a name and phone number. Thank you!

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## Your Sunday Funny....

### Hymns for Her

One Sunday a pastor told the congregation that the church needed some extra money and asked the people to prayerfully consider giving a little extra in the offering plate. He said that whoever gave the most would be able to pick out three hymns.

After the offering plates were passed, the pastor glanced down and noticed that someone had placed a \$1,000 bill in offering. He was so excited that he immediately shared his joy with his congregation and said he'd like to personally thank the person who placed the money in the plate. A very quiet, elderly and saintly lady all the way in the back shyly raised her hand. The pastor asked her to come to the front. Slowly she made her way to the pastor. He told her how wonderful it was that she gave so much and in thanksgiving asked her to pick out three hymns.

Her eyes brightened as she looked over the congregation, pointed to the three handsomest men in the building and said, "I'll take him and him and him."

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**SERVANTS OF THE HOLY HEART OF MARY  
ONLINE PRESENTATION**

**Mending the Compassionate Heart (*Finding Spiritual Nourishment in Your Caregiving*):** This presentation will help you explore your own level of "fatigue", what that really looks like, and how faith helps to understand that taking care of yourself is not a selfish act. Please join Deb Kelsey-Davis and Kelly Johnson for this online presentation on **Thursday, October 28, 2021 from 9:30—11:00 a.m.**

To register please visit our website:  
<http://www.sscm-usa.org/online-programming.html>

**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!*

**Please pray for our Service Members . . .**

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

**Please pray for . . .**

- Tina Gooding, wife of John Gooding
- Rolland Morrival

**FOOD FROM THE HEART, INC.  
Special Collection ~ November 13/14, 2021**

The weekend of November 13/14 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 appreciated. **Check 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 St.; Watseka, IL, 60970. THEY ASK THAT YOU AVOID SENDING CASH. Thank you!

*Any donations we collect at Church will be sent directly to them so these donations will NOT show up on year-end statements sent to parishioners.*

**FROM THE DIOCESE . . .**

October is **Domestic Violence Awareness Month**. Please visit the link below for information on ways to promote family peace and to prevent and respond to domestic abuse. If you know of anyone who needs help now, please contact the **National Domestic Violence Hotline** at 800-799-7233 (24/7), 800-787-3224 (TTY) or at [www.ndvh.org](http://www.ndvh.org). If you are in immediate danger, call 911.

[CATHOLICS FOR FAMILY PEACE - Home](#)

**ANNULMENT INFORMATION DAY**

A Free Zoom Online Event  
Saturday, November 13, 2021  
9:00 a.m. —12:00 p.m.  
Pre-registration is required by November 8

For more information or to register, please use this link:  
[The Roman Catholic Diocese of Joliet in Illinois](#)

**ST. EDMUND'S BUILDING FUND**

BALANCE ON 6/30/21:	\$ 95,824.09
DEPOSITS:	\$ 2,180.00
INTEREST:	\$ 240.08
WITHDRAWALS MADE:	\$ 5,228.64
BALANCE ON 9/30/21:	\$ 93,015.53

**ST. EDMUND CHURCH  
219 EAST LOCUST STREET  
WATSEKA IL 60970**

**PASTOR: Reverend Michael Powell**

**Rectory: 815-432-3274 ~ Office Hours: 8 a.m.—12 p.m. M-F**  
**RE Office: 815-432-5569**  
**Website: [www.stedstjoe.org](http://www.stedstjoe.org)**

**MASSES:** M-W-TH-F N/A  
SATURDAY 6:00 PM  
SUNDAY 8:00 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: SUNDAY 9:30 AM**