

ST. EDMUND CHURCH

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MASSSES:	M-W-TH-F	7:30 AM
	SATURDAY	N/A
	SUNDAY	8:30 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

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MASS: SUNDAY 10:00 AM (Outdoors, weather permitting)

Servants of the Holy Heart of Mary November/December 2020 Online Programs

Nov. 9	7:00 p.m.	<i>Nourish for Caregivers Kickoff Workshop</i>
Nov. 12	9:30 a.m.	<i>God's Peace as You Grieve</i> Dr. Valerie Maty, Presenter
Nov. 17	7:00 p.m.	<i>Advent at Home</i> Susan Amann, Presenter
Dec. 2	9:30 a.m.	<i>Preparing to Receive God's Greatest Gift, an Advent Morning of Prayer & Reflection</i> Sr. Linda Hatton, sscm, Presenter

For more information or to registers, visit:
<http://sscm-usa.org/online-programming.html>

FINANCE/PARISH COUNCIL MEETING Monday, November 16 ~ 6:30 p.m.

Our Finance and Parish Councils will meet on Monday, November 16 at 6:30 p.m. at the Parish Center. Members of either council are to call the Rectory if not able to attend. Thank you.



Servants of the Holy Heart of Mary ADVENT PROGRAMS

With the pandemic still raging on and the inability to have in-person programs, I want to draw your attention to some of the programs that the Servants of the Holy Heart of Mary are offering for Advent.

ADVENT IN THE DOMESTIC CHURCH: WHAT IS A JESSE TREE (ZOOM): This could be a great way to prepare for Advent as a family and have fun doing it. Tuesday, November 17, at 7 p.m.

ADVENT BUSY PERSON'S RETREAT: This is a prayer/reflection program for each day of Advent. Participants receive a booklet to use as a guide. You commit yourself to 1/2 hour of prayer each day and a weekly meeting with me or one of the SSCM spiritual directors. This can be done by phone, Messenger, or in-person meeting at the rectory (observing appropriate safety restrictions).

ZOOM MORNING OF ADVENT DAY OF PRAYER ON DECEMBER 2ND: I will be the presenter for this 2 hour event. Love to see some of you there!

ZOOM ADVENT SERIES: Each week during Advent (Saturday mornings or Monday evenings) we offer a time of reflection on each Advent Sunday's Readings. (This replaces the Advent retreat that is usually offered at One Heart, One Soul Spirituality Center in Kankakee.)

For more information or to register, visit our website at:
<http://sscm-usa.org/online-programming.html>

Or feel free to contact me, Sr. Linda Hatton, sscm, at 815-931-1425 or email Lhatton@sscm-usa.org.

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 8, 2020

MASS INTENTIONS FOR NOV. 9—15, 2020

Monday, November 9, 7:30 AM
Donald Lafond by Bernadine Buswell

Tuesday, November 10: NO MASS

Wednesday, November 11, 7:30 AM
Dominic "Ditty" Lynch by Knights of Columbus Council 4391

Thursday, November 12, 7:30 AM
Marybeth Claire by Christine Ryan

Friday, November 13, 7:30 AM
Marie Brown by Knights of Columbus Council 4391

Saturday, November 14, 5:00 PM
Esther Ingram by Her Family

Sunday, November 15

8:30 AM: Warren Shafer Wedding Anniv. Remembrance by Leona Shafer

10:00 AM: Parish Families of St. Edmund's & St. Joseph's

Preparing to hear next Sunday's Gospel:

33rd Sunday Ordinary Time

Matthew 25:14—30

"Well done, good and faithful servant!"

- What gifts, talents, and resources has God given me?
- How can I better use them for God's glory?
- Do I use the time God has given me resourcefully?

Prayer: Heavenly Father, you have blessed me in so many ways and have been so generous to me with your grace. Give me the wisdom, will, and resolve to put these gifts to active, positive, and profitable use in helping to build your Kingdom. Amen!

MASS OF REMEMBRANCE This Weekend

Because of the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic, in lieu of our annual Memorial Ceremony, where our parishioners participate, to honor those who have passed away over the past year, we will have a **Mass of Remembrance**. During Mass on **November 1st** and **November 8th** Fr. Mike will read the names of those who have passed away over the past year.

St. Edmund's Weekly Target for Operation:	\$ 3,200.00
Sunday Offering Nov. 1:	\$ 1,686.00
Online Giving:	\$ 305.00
DEFICIT For the Week:	\$ (1,209.00)
St. Joseph's Sunday Offering Nov. 1:	\$ 770.00

INFORMATION ON CHRISTMAS MASSES

We will offer the same Christmas Mass schedule that we have been using for years. A 4:00 p.m. & 6:00 p.m. Christmas Eve Mass at St. Edmund's; a 9:00 a.m. Christmas Day Mass at St. Joseph's in Crescent City and a 10:30 a.m. Christmas Day Mass at St. Edmund's.

SIGN-UP SHEETS FOR OUR CHRISTMAS MASSES WILL BE POSTED IN THE VESTIBULE IN A FEW WEEKS.

PLEASE CONTINUE ABIDING BY THE PROTOCOLS GIVEN TO US BY THE DIOCESE. WITH THE CONTINUED RISE IN COVID-19 CASES, WE WANT TO BE ABLE TO HOLD OUR CHRISTMAS MASSES.

LAY MINISTERS for November 14/15, 2020

SATURDAY, November 14, 5:00 PM
Lector: Dick Arie
Ushers: Tyler Blanchette & Amy Curry

SUNDAY, November 15, 7:30 AM
Lector: Sara McTaggart
Ushers: Carol Houmes, Terry & Gwen McTaggart

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

Donald Lafond, brother of Mary Jean Hartlep

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

ATTENTION LECTORS

Your new **Lector Workbooks** for 2021 can be picked up from the front pew of the Church where you sit when you are Lector. Thank you.

FOOD FROM THE HEART, INC. Special Collection ~ November 1 & 8, 2020

This weekend you still have a chance to give to Iroquois County's Food Basket Program, **Food From the Heart, Inc.**, which is planning on distributing 400 food baskets in time for Christmas.

Checks are to be made payable to Food From the Heart, Inc. and can be sent directly to them at 301 S. Fourth Street; Watseka, IL, 60970. THEY ASK THAT YOU AVOID SENDING CASH. Thank you!

CATHOLIC CAMPAIGN FOR HUMAN DEVELOPMENT COLLECTION November 21/22, 2020

Your support for this collection brings change to people across the country and empowers those living in poverty to transform their communities into reflections of the Kingdom of God. In addition to making a national impact, we empower those living in poverty in our own diocese. 25% of the funds we collect stay here.

Your contributions make a difference for the people living in poverty across the United States. Please prayerfully consider how you can help the CCHD this year. For more information, check out their website at: www.usccb.org/cchd/collection.