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 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

WEEKLY BIBLE STUDY GROUPS

St. Edmund Parish Center

- Every TUESDAY at 1:00 p.m.
- Every THURSDAY at 6:00 p.m.

Newcomers are always welcome!

SERVANTS OF THE HOLY HEART OF MARY 2023 PROGRAMS

2023 Busy Person's Advent Retreat: This retreat is for both, men and women, who desire a deeper prayer relationship with the Lord and for those unable to experience a scheduled spiritual retreat due to home and/or work responsibilities.

You must be able to commit to at least 30 minutes of silent, personal prayer using scripture each day of the retreat (materials provided) and to weekly meetings with a spiritual director via phone, virtual meetings such as Zoom, Messenger, or FaceTime, or inperson following COVID-19 safe distancing precautions.

This retreat is being offered by the following SSCM Spiritual Directors: Kathy Brady-Murfin, Sr. Charlene Cesario, sscm, Sr. Linda Hatton, sscm and Sr. Myra Lambert, sscm.

The cost for this retreat is \$25 and you must contact the spiritual director of your choice by Friday, November 17th.

For further information or to register, you can go to their website, www.sscm-usa.org, call Susan Amann at 708-790-8141, or online readers can click on the link below:

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

GIVE-A-AWAY (Household Goods ~ Men's Clothes ~ Furniture)

Ray Pollice's family is inviting anyone who may be in need of any of the above items to come to his apartment in Milford today (Sunday, November 12th) between 10:00 a.m.—12:00 p.m. and help themselves. If you know of anyone else in need, please let them know. His address is: 101 W. Jones St., Unit 9.

CATHOLIC CAMPAIGN FOR HUMAN DEVELOPMENT COLLECTION Next Weekend ~ November 18/19, 2023

Next weekend we will have the diocesan *Catholic Campaign for Human Development Collection*. When you support CCHD, you help local communities across the country innovate and work together to solve their own unique challenges. 25% of your contribution stays in our diocese to support the organizations addressing our parishioners' needs for housing, jobs, and educational opportunities—and for keeping the lights on during a storm.

Local grant recipients in our diocese include emergency assistance and food pantry supplies for St. Vincent De Paul chapters, vocational job training for adults with disabilities, and community outreach programming for at-risk youth and families.

Please prayerfully consider how you can help CCHD this year.

Please pray for our Service Members . . .

MCSN (USN) Justin McTaggart, son of Kirk & Christine McTaggart

Please pray for . . .

- Gary Cahoe
- Tina Gooding

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 12, 2023

MASS INTENTIONS FOR November 13—19, 2023

Monday, November 13, 7:30 AM

+ Barbara Bohlmann by Knights of Columbus Council 4391

Tuesday, November 14: NO MASS

Wednesday, November 15: NO MASS

Thursday, November 16, 7:300 AM + Bernadine Buswell by Ellen Hall

Friday, November 17, 7:30 AM

+ Deceased & Living Members of the Krones/Bruens Families by the

Anstett Family

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, November 18, 5:00 PM

+ Mary Jane Zumwalt Anniversary Remembrance by Her Family

Sunday, November 19:

8:00 AM: + Kevin Kaufman by James Temple

9:30 AM: Our Parish Families 4:30 PM: Mass at St. Mary's

St. Edmund's Weekly Target for Operation:	\$ 3,200.00
Sunday Offering, November 4/5:	\$ 3,298.00
Online Giving:	\$ 201.00
BONUS for the Week:	\$ 299.00

St. Joseph's Sunday Offering, November 5: \$ 2,335.00

LAY MINISTERS for November 18/19, 2023

SATURDAY, November 18, 5:00 PM

Lector: Amy Curry

Ushers: Sandra Harris & Jo Ann White

SUNDAY, November 19, 8:00 AM

Lector: Nancy Cowan
Usher: Carol Houmes

Money Counters: Dick Arie & Brittany Cluver

I WILL GIVE YOU SHEPHERDS CAMPAIGN

This weekend we will take up the special collection for the *I Will Give You Shepherds* campaign, which benefits our seminarians. There will be a basket in the entrance of the Church in which to place your donation.

Those reading this online may click on the link below to donate: Homepage - Giving - Diocese of Joliet (diojoliet.org)

PARISH COUNCIL/FINANCE COUNCIL MEETING

Monday, November 13, 2023 6:30 p.m. ~ Parish Center Preparing to hear next Sunday's Gospel:

33rd Sunday Ordinary Time "A"

Matthew 25:14—39

"Whoever humbles himself will be exalted!"

- What are the "talents," the gifts that God has entrusted to my keeping?
- How have I used them to honor and glorify God?
- How have I not used or misused them to the disservice of God?

Prayer: Heavenly Father, Jesus your Son has blessed me in so many ways, help me to always use those graces showered upon me that I might be a good and faithful servant. Help me to never bury the gifts you have given to me by not using them for the good of your people and the glory of your Name. Amen!

Preparing for next Sunday's Petitions:

- That God may bless his Church and her leaders with many and varied talents and with the wisdom to use them in his service,
- That those who have been entrusted with much in this world may be led to selflessly share their gifts,
- That faithful husbands and worthy wives may strengthen the Church through the Sacrament of Matrimony,
- That all those having been brought into the light of Christ, may wait in joyful hope for his return in glory,
- That the poor, those in broken families and those who have no hope, may see the Lord's love for them as he manifests it through us,
- That our parishioners who approach the Lord in prayer may place their lives in his care,
- That the dead may rejoice in the day of the Lord,

We pray to the Lord.

Notes From St. Joseph's....

- St. Joseph's CCW will be having a Bake Sale on Sunday, November 19th following their Sunday Mass.
- St. Joseph's 2024 Church Envelope Packets are available for pick-up in the entrance of the Church. Those who do not have envelopes, but would like to have a box, may sign up for one in entrance of the Church.

Dear Friends of Iroquois Memorial Hospice,

Fall of 2023 marks Iroquois Memorial Hospice's 27 years of caring for patients and their families in Iroquois, Vermillion, Ford, Livingston, Kankakee and portions of Champaign Counties In lieu of the brunch we will again be having our *Write-A-Check Campaign*.

This year marks the 26th Anniversary of our Iroquois Memorial Hospice Memorial Fund, a non-profit fund which helps finance items for patients that are not covered by insurance or Medicare, such as durable medical equipment, hospital beds and other supplies. No patient is ever turned away due to their inability to pay for their end-of-life care. We are thankful and grateful for continued support!

Donations can be mailed to:

Iroquois Memorial Hospice Fund ATTN: Emily Bull 200 N. Laird Lane, Watseka, IL 60970

Please contact Emily Bull at 815-432-0185 with questions or for additional ways to donate