

ST. EDMUND CHURCH

219 EAST LOCUST STREET
WATSEKA IL 60970

PASTOR: Reverend Michael Powell

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MASSSES:	M-W-TH-F	N//A
	SATURDAY	6:00 PM
	SUNDAY	8:00 AM

CONFESSIONS: Saturday, 5:30—5:50 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

PASTOR: Reverend Michael Powell

MASS: SUNDAY 9:30 AM

Please pray for our Service Members . . .

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

Please pray for . . .

- Tina Gooding
- Rolland Morriral

Zakk Clark's

MAKE-A-DIFFERENCE TALENT COMPETITION

Sunday, December 5, 2021

2:00 PM at the Watseka Community High School Gym

COST: Any non-perishable food item

Proceeds will be taken to the Watseka Area Food Pantry.

Zakk is a member of St. Edmund's and his parents are Ericka and Andy Clark. This is a project he took on for his Civics class. We applaud his spirit of giving this holiday season and wish him a successful show!

For anyone wanting to send a card or a note to Fr. Mike, especially with the upcoming holiday season, please address it as below:

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

DATE	TIME	CHURCH
		HOLY DAY MASSES
Dec. 8	8:00 AM 5:15 PM	Mass at St. Edmund's Church Mass at St. Edmund's Church
Dec. 15	5:15 PM	*Penance Service for all 3 Parishes at St. Edmund's Church
		CHRISTMAS EVE MASSES
Dec. 24 Dec. 24	4:00 PM 6:00 PM	Mass at St. Mary's in Beaverville Mass at St. Edmund's Church
		CHRISTMAS DAY MASSES
Dec. 25	8:00 AM 9:30 AM	Mass at St. Edmund's Church Mass at St. Joseph's Church
Dec. 26	8:00 AM 9:30 AM	Mass at St. Edmund's Church Mass at St. Joseph's Church
Jan. 1/2		4:00 PM Mass at St. Mary's <i>Regular Weekend Mass Schedule for St. Edmund's & St. Joseph's</i>

* Fr. Vern will not hear individual confessions after the Penance Service. He asked that you make an appointment for confession.

YEAR-END GIFTS

To those of you who like to give a single, year-end gift to St. Edmund's, we kindly ask that you get it in as soon as possible to ensure you get credit for it in 2021. Thank you.

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 5, 2021

MASS INTENTIONS FOR December 8 & 11/12, 2021

Wednesday, December 8

8:00 AM: Marybeth Claire by Bryan & Modena Mitchell
5:15 PM: Effie Stone by Knights of Columbus Council 4391

Saturday, December 11, 6:00 PM

Mary Jane Zumwalt Birthday Remembrance by Her Family

Sunday, December 12

8:00 AM: Paul Houmes Sr. by His Family
9:30 AM: Parish Families of St. Edmund's & St. Joseph's

COMMUNION SERVICE

Monday ~ Wednesday ~ Friday
7:30 a.m. at the Parish Center

St. Edmund's Weekly Target for Operation:	\$ 3,200.00
Sunday Offering, November 27/28:	\$ 1,552.00
Online Giving:	\$ 185.00
DEFICIT For the Week:	\$ (1,463.00)
St. Joseph's Sunday Offering, November 28:	\$ 585.00

LAY MINISTERS for December 8 & 11/12, 2021

WEDNESDAY, December 8, 8:00 AM

Lector: Nancy Cowan
Eucharistic Minister: Rosann Miller
Cleaner: Don Miller

WEDNESDAY, December 8, 5:15 PM

Lector: Gene Ochs
Eucharistic Minister: Kevin Bohlmann

SATURDAY, December 11, 6:00 PM

Lector: Dick Arie
Eucharistic Minister: Rosann Miller
Ushers: Louise Bruens
Cleaner: Dick Arie

SUNDAY, December 12, 8:00 AM

Lector: Jeanette Reifel
Eucharistic Minister: Kevin Bohlmann
Usher: Carol Houmes
Cleaner: NONE NEEDED

Money Counters: Barb Mayotte & John Tonner

RETIREMENT FUND FOR RELIGIOUS COLLECTION

Next Weekend ~ December 11/12, 2021

Your gift to this collection next weekend will help to provide medications, nursing care, and more to the many senior sisters, brothers, and religious order priests who served for years in Catholic schools, hospitals, and parishes—often for little to no pay. Your generosity is greatly appreciated. Thank you.

St. Edmund CCW
BAKE-LESS BAKE SALE
This Weekend ~ December 4/5, 2021

Preparing to hear next Sunday's Gospel:

3rd Sunday of Advent "C"

Luke 3:10—18

"One mightier than I is coming!"

- The crowd asked John what they should do to prepare for Christ. What should I do to prepare for Christmas?
- Have I cheated anyone this year?
- How has being baptized with the Holy Spirit and with fire affected my life?

Prayer: O come O Dayspring from on high
And cheer us by your drawing nigh
Disperse the gloomy clouds of night
And death's dark shadow put to flight.

O come Desire of nations bind
In one the hearts of all mankind
O bid our sad divisions cease
And be for us the King of Peace.

Rejoice, rejoice, O Israel
To thee shall come Emmanuel.

A Gift for All

Through the generosity of a couple from St. Edmund's, as an early Christmas present to both, St. Edmund's parishioners and St. Joseph's parishioners, copies of the book *Life is Messy* by Matthew Kelly, is available for pick-up from the table in the vestibule of the Church. Copies will be available at St. Joseph's, too. Merry Christmas!

EUCHRE PARTY

Thursday, December 9th 1-3 p.m. ~ St. Edmund's Parish Center.

Parishioners, as well as non-parishioners, are welcome! We gladly accept donations to our local Food Pantry, but are not a requirement in order to play. Dessert follows card play.

MASKS ARE A REQUIREMENT FOR ALL ATTENDEES.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS MEETING

Thursday, December 9, 2021

6:30 PM ~ Church Basement

ST. EDMUND CCW

If anyone would like to make a donation to purchase a poinsettia in memory of a loved one, please put your donation in an envelope marked **CCW Poinsettia** and place it in the collection basket. **Checks are made payable to ST. EDMUND CCW.** After Christmas you may take a poinsettia home with you, if you wish. Thank you!



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

Jon G. Rogers Jr., brother of Justin (Jessica) Rogers

My presence will go with you, and I will give you rest.

Exodus 33:14