

## ST. EDMUND CHURCH

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WATSEKA IL 60970

PASTOR: Reverend Michael Powell

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MASSSES:	M-W-TH-F	7:30 AM
	SATURDAY	5:00 PM
	SUNDAY	8:30 AM

CONFESSIONS: By appointment only.

“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 10:00 AM

### FLOWERS FOR MARY'S ALTAR



There are still plenty of dates available to sign up to provide flowers for Mary's Altar.

### 2021 CHURCH ENVELOPE PACKETS

Next weekend, December 26/27, will be your last chance to pick up your 2021 Church Envelope Packets from the table in the Church basement. After that, you will be able to pick them up at the Rectory. Thank you.

### 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.** Thank you!



*This 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Advent we light the Candle of Love.*



### ATTENDING CHRISTMAS MASS THIS YEAR

Because of the ongoing pandemic restrictions placed on us, attending Mass this Christmas will be a little bit different than in years past and we ask for your patience and willing cooperation with this.

- The 4:00 p.m. Christmas Eve Mass will have assigned seating in order to ensure that families can be together, as much as possible, and that everyone gets a seat.
- The 6:00 p.m. Christmas Eve Mass may have assigned seating too. The final decision has not been made on that yet.
- When exiting from the Christmas Eve Masses, we ask that you exit from the back to the front to avoid crowding together.
- The 10:30 Christmas Day Mass will not need assigned seating.

Also, because we have to keep a record of who attends for contact tracing purposes, if our Ushers do not know who you are, you may be asked for your name. Again, we ask for your patience and cooperation with this.

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

Wilmond “Willy” Breymeyer, grandfather of Kyle (Brittany) Cluver

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

# SUNDAY, DECEMBER 20, 2020

## MASS INTENTIONS FOR DEC. 21—27, 2020

**Monday, December 21, 7:30 AM**  
Marybeth Claire by Carol Schetzlsle

**Tuesday, December 22: NO MASS**

**Wednesday, December 23, 7:30 AM**  
Ralph Buswell by His Family

**Thursday, December 24**  
**4:00 PM:** Evelyn Overacker by Regina & Son, Johnny Sabalasky  
**6:00 PM:** Dr. John Martin by the Martin Family

**Friday, December 25**  
**9:00 AM:** Pat Shide by Ty & Jean Herron  
**10:30 AM:** Joann Yarneau by Leona Shafer

**Saturday, December 26, 5:00 PM**  
Lee Ryan by Friends

**Sunday, December 27**  
**8:30 AM:** Rodney Popham by His Family  
**10:00 AM :** Parish Families of St. Edmund's & St. Joseph's

## Preparing to hear next Sunday's Gospel:

**Feast of the Holy Family**

**Luke 2:22—40**

*"They took him up to Jerusalem to present him to the Lord!"*

- Do I, like Mary and Joseph, teach the faith to young people by my words and examples?
- Am I, like Simeon, longing to see Christ?
- Do I, like Anna, share the good news of Jesus with others?

**Prayer:** Lord Jesus, help me to faithfully watch for your coming in great ways and in simple ways. May I imitate Mary and Joseph, Simeon and Anna, in rejoicing when I meet you and in sharing the joy your presence among us brings to all. Amen!

## CHRISTMAS MASS SCHEDULE

December 24/25, 2020

<b>December 24</b> <b>CHRISTMAS EVE</b>	<b>4:00 p.m. (St. Edmund)</b> <b>6:00 p.m. (St. Edmund)</b>
<b>December 25</b> <b>CHRISTMAS DAY</b>	<b>9:00 a.m. (St. Joseph)</b> <b>10:30 a.m. (St. Edmund)</b>

St. Edmund's Weekly Target for Operation:	\$ 3,200.00
Sunday Offering Dec. 12/13:	\$ 2,543.00
Online Giving:	\$ 130.00
<b>DEFICIT</b> For the Week:	<b>\$ ( 527.00)</b>
St. Joseph's Sunday Offering Dec. 13:	\$ 670.00

## LAY MINISTERS for December 24/25, 2020

**THURSDAY, December 24, 4:00 PM**

**Lector:** Rhonda Pence

**Ushers:** Sam & Sue Stepp and Carol Houmes

**Cleaner:** Paul Houmes

**FRIDAY, December 25, 6:00 PM**

**Lector:** Dick Arie

**Ushers:** Tyler Blanchette & Sue Butler

**Cleaner:** Tyler Blanchette

**FRIDAY, December 25, 10:30 AM**

**Lector:** RaDonna Hasselbring

**Ushers:** Gene Ochs & Mary Decker

**Cleaner:** Gene Ochs

## LAY MINISTERS for December 26/27, 2020

**SATURDAY, December 26, 5:00 PM**

**Lector:** Ericka Clark

**Ushers:** Jami Harwood & Patti Duffy

**Cleaner:** Dick Arie

**SUNDAY, December 27, 8:30 AM**

**Lector:** Sara McTaggart

**Ushers:** Brittany Cluver & VOLUNTEER

**Cleaner:** Brittany Cluver

*O what a year  
This two O Two O,  
The craziest year  
Among many we know.*

*But now that we're here  
The end of it all  
Leads at long last to winter  
And the end of the fall.*

*As Christmas draws near,  
My wishes for you  
Are that you become like  
The Grinch and the Scrooge!*

*Remember the Grinch  
At the start of the feast  
Sat down with the Whos  
And carved the Roast Beast!*

*And old Mr. Scrooge  
When the story was done  
Helped his family & friends.  
God bless us, each one!*

*Blessings on Christmas and through 2021*

*~ Fr. Mike ~*