

St. Brigid - St. Joseph - St. Edward

CATHOLIC CHURCHES



**TRI-PARISH
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**ST. BRIGID
ST. JOSEPH
ST. EDWARD THE
CONFESSOR**

TRI-PARISH MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday: 4:30 p.m.—St. Brigid

Sunday: 7:30 a.m.—St. Brigid

9:00 a.m.—St. Joseph

10:30 a.m.—St. Edward

Monday: 6:30 p.m.—St. Brigid

Tuesday: 8:00 a.m.—St. Edward

Wednesday: 8:00 a.m.—St. Joseph

Friday: 8:00 a.m.—St. Brigid

First Friday ONLY: 8:00 a.m. St. Edward

w/ Adoration to follow

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Saturday: 3:45 p.m.—4:15 p.m. @ St. Brigid

Tuesday: 7:15 a.m.—7:45 a.m. @ St. Edward

Wednesday: 7:15 a.m.—7:45 a.m. @ St. Joseph

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Fr. Lou Schlangen

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Location of Our Parishes

St. Brigid Catholic Church

706 N. Main St.
Liberty, IL 62347

St. Joseph Catholic Church

1435 E. 1500th St.
Quincy, IL 62305

St. Edward Catholic Church

214 South State Road
Mendon, IL 62351

Tri-Parish Mailing Address

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Liberty, IL 62347

Emergency, priest needed:

217-645-3546

PARISH WEBSITE: stsbej.org

Pastor's Letter

April 21, 2024—4th Sunday of Easter

Dear Church Family,

I once heard an interview with Dr. Jean Twenge, professor of psychology at San Diego State University, talking about the differences between generations. In the course of the conversation, she mentioned that in 2012 there began to be a significant increase in mental health problems among teenagers and young adults. She also noted that this was first year that the majority of Americans had a smart phone and she believes that the two events are connected. The toxicity of social media, its unhealthy effects on sleeping habits and its undermining of real-life interaction and relationships have created what she called, “a perfect storm for depression.”

I don't want to sound like an old caveman, but I can't help believing that she is right. When we see all the bullying, lies, and hatred that people engage in online to get clicks it's hard to imagine that it could not have bad consequences for those who expose themselves to all that poison. Social media can be helpful and positive. We use it to communicate what's going on in our parishes. But just looking around in general at the media landscape, there are so many who are just trying to make themselves look good or trying to sell us something by making us feel bad about ourselves or angry at others. Is there anyone out there who really cares about us and wants the best for us?

Today is Good Shepherd Sunday. Jesus tells us in our Gospel reading that he has come to give his life for us. He warns us against false shepherds who don't care about us and run away when the going gets tough. He, on the other hand, is the true shepherd, who knows us, loves us, and will never abandon us. He backed up this promise with actions. He went all the way to the cross for us. He defeated death and evil and now freely offers us life without end and joy without limits. He shows us the way and he himself is the way. When we stay close to him by living with love as he taught us, by prayer, and by receiving the graces of his sacraments, he keeps us safe from all the destructive forces around us.

With him as our shepherd and guide we have nothing to fear and every reason to live in hope.

Blessings,

Fr. Scott

Calendar

Saturday, April 20

3:45 p.m.—4:15 p.m. Reconciliation @ St. Brigid

4:30 p.m.—Mass @ St. Brigid

Sunday, April 21

7:30 a.m. Mass @ St. Brigid

9:00 a.m. Mass @ St. Joseph

9:00 a.m.—10:15 a.m.—PSR (gr. 5-8) @ St. Edward

9:55 a.m.—11:15 a.m.—PSR (PK-8) @ St. Joseph

10:30 a.m. Mass @ St. Edward

Monday, April 22

6:30 p.m. Mass @ St. Brigid

7:00 p.m. RCIA @ St. Brigid

Tuesday, April 23

7:15 a.m.—7:45 a.m. Reconciliation @ St. Edward

8:00 a.m. Mass @ St. Edward

7:00 p.m. St. Joseph Pastoral/Finance Council Mtg

Wednesday, April 24

7:15 a.m.—7:45 a.m. Reconciliation @ St. Joseph

8:00 a.m. Mass @ St. Joseph

*After school—4:30 p.m.—PSR (K-4) @ St. Edward

6:30 p.m.—7:45 p.m.—PSR (gr. 1-8) @ St. Brigid

Friday, April 26

8:00 a.m. Mass @ St. Brigid

Saturday, April 27

3:45 p.m.—4:15 p.m. Reconciliation @ St. Brigid

4:30 p.m.—Mass @ St. Brigid

Sunday, April 28

7:30 a.m. Mass @ St. Brigid

9:00 a.m. Mass @ St. Joseph

9:00 a.m.—10:15 a.m.—PSR (gr. 5-8) @ St. Edward

9:55 a.m.—11:15 a.m.—PSR (PK-8) @ St. Joseph

10:30 a.m. Mass @ St. Edward

Monday, April 29

6:30 p.m. Mass @ St. Brigid

7:00 p.m. RCIA @ St. Brigid

Tuesday, April 30

7:15 a.m.—7:45 a.m. Reconciliation @ St. Edward

8:00 a.m. Mass @ St. Edward

Wednesday, May 1

7:15 a.m.—7:45 a.m. Reconciliation @ St. Joseph

8:00 a.m. Mass @ St. Joseph

*After school—4:30 p.m.—PSR (K-4) @ St. Edward

6:30 p.m.—7:45 p.m.—PSR (gr. 1-8) @ St. Brigid

Thursday, May 2

6:30 p.m.—St. Joseph Men's Holy Name Mtg

Friday, May 3—First Friday

8:00 a.m. Mass @ St. Edward

Mass Intentions

SATURDAY, APRIL 20

4:30 p.m.—St. Brigid: +*Evelyn Dietrich*

SUNDAY, APRIL 21

7:30 a.m.—St. Brigid: +*James Carlson*

9:00 a.m.—St. Joseph: +*Dale & Rose Mary Zanger*

10:30 a.m.—St. Edward: +*Ron Valeu*

MONDAY, APRIL 22

6:30 p.m.—St. Brigid: +*Herbert & Mildred Lentz*

TUESDAY, APRIL 23

8:00 a.m.—St. Edward: +*Martha Koetters*

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 24

8:00 a.m.—St. Joseph: +*Albert Butler*

FRIDAY, APRIL 26

8:00 a.m.—St. Brigid: For the People of Our Parishes

SATURDAY, APRIL 27

4:30 p.m.—St. Brigid: +*Paul Barry*

SUNDAY, APRIL 28

7:30 a.m.—St. Brigid: +*Marilyn Barry*

9:00 a.m.—St. Joseph: +*Ron Wiewel*

10:30 a.m.—St. Edward: +*David Kendrick*

Parish Support: April 14

St. Brigid \$ 3,222.00

St. Edward \$ 1,834.00

St. Joseph \$ 1,956.25

Thank you for your generous support!

Diocese Special Collections

Catholic Home Missions Collection— April 28

The criminal justice ministry is one of many innovative outreach efforts made by dioceses supported by Catholic Home Missions. Your participation in the annual Catholic Home Missions Appeal supports dioceses throughout the United States and its territories that need financial help to sustain core pastoral services and missions of mercy to those they serve. Please prayerfully consider how you can support the appeal this year. To learn more about the appeal and those who benefit from it, visit www.usccb.org/home-missions.

Welcome

We are pleased to welcome **Barb Obert** who was received into the church on April 14 at St. Brigid Church. Please make her feel welcome and part of our great parish.

Patricia Barry 90th Birthday Open House

Please join us for an Open House
In honor of Patricia Barry for her 90th Birthday
Hosted by her children, spouses, and families
Sunday, May 5, 2024
2:30 p.m.—5:30 p.m.
St. Brigid Church Hall, Liberty, Illinois
Please no gifts!

Bulletin Deadline

All information must be submitted by noon on Tuesday.
Submit to: church@stsbej.org

Victims Assistance & Child Abuse Reporting

To report Child Sexual Abuse by Church Personnel or to inquire about the Safe Environment Program in the Diocese of Springfield in Illinois, please call 217-321-1155.



Ladies of Charity of Quincy

The Ladies of Charity of Quincy invites you, both women and men, and both current and potential members, to attend an Orientation and Day of Reflection on Sunday, May 5, 2024, from 1:00 – 3:00 p.m. at the St Francis Catholic Church Parish Hall. Although the Ladies of Charity is comprised of mostly women volunteers, we also invite men to assist us (particularly with the heavy lifting, transporting of items, etc.). We are a Vincentian organization called to serve those in need and we would love to have you join us. Please plan to attend to learn more about us and the volunteer opportunities available! If you have any questions or need other details, please feel free to contact either Kathy Obert at 703-786-4788 or Brenda Ehrhardt at 217-257-8832.

Advertise In Our Bulletin

If you are a business owner, please consider underwriting the printing of our bulletins by buying an advertisement. Our church family would be happy to know of a fellow parishioner or friend of our parishes whose business we can support. Information on how to buy an ad is on the back of the bulletin. If you know of a business owner who might be interested in advertising with us, please let us know. If we can get 30 advertisers our bulletins will be printed at no charge to our parishes. Thank you for your support.



GARAGE SALE

Attention St. Edward parishioners

Mendon town-wide garage sales are Saturday, June 1;

there's usually a good crowd of shoppers. St. Edward parishioners are welcome to sell items on the church parking lot that day. We are on the list as a garage sale site. St. Edward will supply the space, you will provide everything else you need (tables, chairs, change box, manpower to set up/take down/oversee your items).

Church tables/chairs WILL NOT be available.

Space rental: free-will offering will be collected that day and will go to St. Edward.

7:30 - 11:30 a.m. Set up that morning.

Info/RSVP your space: Myra Kuhn, (217) 430-3238 or kuhnmyra@yahoo.com.

St. Anthony Ladies Society Roast Beef Dinner

St. Anthony Ladies Society will be holding a Roast Beef Dinner on Sunday, April 28, 11:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m. at St. Anthony Hall, 2223 St. Anthony Road, Quincy IL. Each plate includes: Roast Beef, Mashed Potatoes, Gravy, Green Beans, Jello Salad, Home Made Roll, and Home Made Dessert.

Price is \$14 for adults and \$8 for children.

Dine in or Carry out.

For Carry out enter the SOUTH entrance basement door



Food Pantry Donations

Collection of nonperishable items are being donated to Quincy Catholic Charities and Liberty Food Pantry. You may drop your items in the church vestibule. Items will be taken on the second Sunday every month. Thank You for your generosity!



St. Edward Adoration

Adoration follows the 8 a.m., First Friday Mass every month and goes until 12:30 p.m. Please call Margie Kendrick to sign up 217-936-2365. We would like at least 2 people each hour.

Right to Life - Sponsor Speaker

Right to Life of Adams County is privileged to sponsor Illinois Right to Life Executive Director, Mary Kate Zander (from the agency that brought us the Ground Zero presentation a couple of years ago.) Tuesday, April 30 at 6:30 p.m. Knights of Columbus Fr. McGivney Hall 700 S. 36th Street, Quincy,

Some of the topics to be presented--
-- the growing trend of abortion tourism in Illinois and the greater Midwest
-- changes to Illinois laws and public policy that have opened the floodgates for more abortion travel
-- where women seeking abortions are coming from and how they're making the trip
-- risks to women's health that are uniquely associated with abortion tourism
-- what's being done by Illinois' pro-life movement to change the tide on abortion travel

PLEASE PLAN TO ATTEND!

Questions about the event?--Jane Haas, 217-257-0533



NEW Online Giving

Our new online giving links are now LIVE. Below are the links:

<https://pushpay.com/g/stbridgidliberty>

<https://pushpay.com/g/stedwardmendon>

<https://pushpay.com/g/stjosephquincy>

It will walk you through setting up your giving account.



Please Remember to Pray For:

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| Daran Knuffman | Margie Steinkamp | Marilyn Obert |
| Kris Mast | Ginny Brinkman | Leon Lentz |
| Zoey Obert | Travis Irvin | Jim Wilson |
| Jennifer Neisen | Denny Meyer | Maurie Koch |
| Julia Winfield | Rosie Miller | Tony Peters |
| Haddlei Burnett | Joe Rice | Joy Huebotter |
| Jim Steinkamp | Linda Windoffer | Raleigh Bess |
| Kayle Sheely | Monica Mast | Karen Woodworth |
| Darren Neisen | Bonnie Johnson | Doug Woodworth |
| John Kroner | Leo Bauer | Clari Dees |
| Marvin Meyer | Elizabeth Leonard | Craig Gramke |
| Carl Schisler | Ben Venvertloh | John Frese |
| Rachel Cramsey | Ripken Rangel | John Blickhan |

For all undergoing surgery, undergoing cancer tests or therapy, for world peace, mental or difficult issues and for all victims of sexual abuse and violence and for their families, for conversion of hearts, and for all in danger due to acts of violence, *for our own special intentions we hold in our hearts* and for an end to abortions and wars.

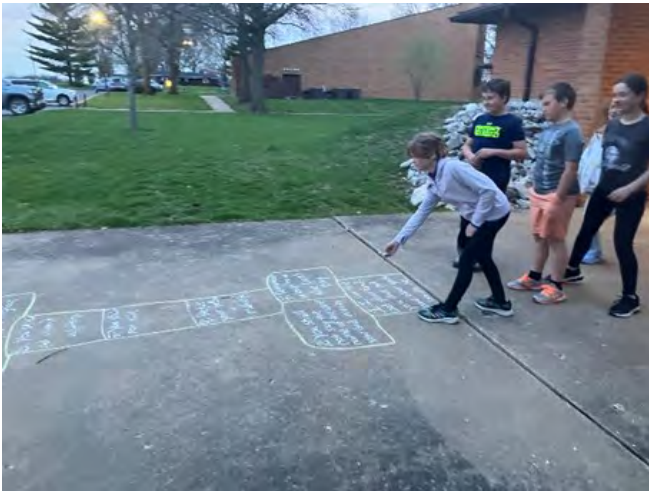
Please contact us, if we need to remove your name from our prayer list. Thanks to all for your continued prayers, as they are needed and greatly appreciated.



PSR News!

Confirmation/First Communion

Please check out our third grader service project posters in your church vestibule! The students did a wonderful job sharing God's love with others! Confirmation and First Communion will take place on Saturday, May 4 at the Cathedral of Immaculate Conception in Springfield, IL. Please contact Emily if you need more information about this! 217-257-3536.



St. Brigid fifth graders played Ten Commandment Hop Scotch where they had to connect the Ten Commandments to a daily real-life situation they may encounter!



St. Edward's kindergarteners Jace Venvertloh and Vivian Zanger learned all of their prayers for the year!
Congratulations!

VBS

Blast off with us this year as we learn to Shine Jesus' Light in this "Stellar" VBS!

We will be having a Tri-Parish VBS again this year at St. Joseph's Hall! It will take place on Monday, June 24- Thursday, June 27! Please sign up to come for the week, or just come on the days you are able to make it! It will take place each night from 6-8 p.m. for grades going into PreK-5th grade, but we would also like our older students to sign up to help! We are in need of volunteers to be group and station leaders! If you are able to help (even if it is not every night) please contact me at 217-257-3536. You DO have to have your Safe Environment Training and Background Check up to date to help with this event. If you do not, please let me know – it is all online now and is very quick! I will be putting a list in the bulletin and in the back of all three churches of supplies once I know everything we will need, so be on the lookout! Thank you in advance for helping make this year's Tri-Parish VBS a success! - Emily Wellman

Virtue of the Month—TEMPERANCE

Temperance is the virtue that moderates the attraction of pleasures and provides balance in the use of created goods. In other words – self-control. When working with this students this past week at St. Edward's and St. Brigid, we played the game "Red Light/Green Light" When the person in charge yells green light, the kids run and try to cross the finish line, but when red light is yelled they had to freeze. If they moved, they had to start over. In life, we have to start over a LOT! We have to think reflect on our lives and decide if there is anything that we need to adjust to follow Christ better. This week, take the time to think about your life and if there are any areas you could practice the virtue of temperance more frequently. Some examples: Could you use your phone less, and be present? Could you eat less junk and fuel your body with food God created? Could you use less condemning words to others and try to say a few positive things about others a day? Start small and work your way up! Just like our body muscles, our virtue muscles take time to develop!

Ministry Schedules

ST. BRIGID CHURCH						
April 27 & 28	Altar Server	Communion Minister	Usher	Lector	Greeter /Hospitality	Gift Bearer
4:30 p.m.	Bryce Mixer Owen Potter	Mike Maas Debbie Maas	Dan Kramer Randy Maas Laura Maas	Cheryl Schutte	Dave & Angela Obert	Pam & Jerry Totsch
7:30 a.m.	Dylan Hocking Mason Hocking	Brandy Hocking Norm Boone	David Dodd Lucy Mewes Greg Obert	Nancy Boone	Mark & Cariol Heidbreder	Rick & Kris Barry

ST. JOSEPH CHURCH						
April 28	Altar Server	Communion Minister	Usher	Lector	Greeter /Hospitality	Gift Bearer
9:00 a.m.	Brady Isabella Quinn	Greg White Krista White	Jim Brinkman Shane Brinkman	Dan		Brinkman Family









ST. EDWARD CHURCH						
April 28	Altar Server	Communion Minister	Rosary	Lector	Greeter /Hospitality	Gift Bearer
10:30 a.m.	Noah Voss Alexis Voss Willow Shaffer	Susan York Connie Bealor	Donna Voss	Austin Corn- well	Frazier Family	Jason Flear Family
* Please continue passing the basket for collection.						



QUEST

Quest is a fast-paced 24-hour Christian experience for 13 to 15 year olds. It is a time to come together to find out about God, friendships, and self in a fun-filled, exciting, amusing, thoughtful, and carefree surrounding. A time to meet new people while praying, playing, singing, and sharing with them. Quest gives you the chance to search for the real you.

Quest is held at the Franciscan Retreat Center of Quincy University and lasts from 6:00pm Friday to 5:30pm Saturday. **The next retreat weekend is Oct. 4-5.** There is a fee for this retreat, but St. Brigid, St. Edward, and St. Joseph have funds available to cover this cost! Please contact Emily Wellman at 217-257-3536 if you are wanting to go on a weekend, and our awesome churches will pay for you to go!

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