

# St. Brigid - St. Joseph - St. Edward

## CATHOLIC CHURCHES



### 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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#### Location of Our Parishes

##### **St. Brigid Catholic Church**

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Liberty, IL 62347

##### **Office Hours**

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Wednesday by appointment  
Friday until Noon  
217-645-3444

##### **St. Joseph Catholic Church**

1435 E. 1500th St.  
Quincy, IL 62305

##### **Office Hours**

Wednesday 8am to 4 pm  
217-434-8442

##### **St. Edward Catholic Church**

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217-645-3546

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**Hospitality—Prayer—Formation—Service**

# Pastor's Letter

May 18, 2025—5th Sunday of Easter

Dear Church Family,

In our readings for today we see how important it is for us to be part of the gathered people of God, the church. We see Paul and Barnabas at the end of their first missionary journey retracing their steps and revisiting all the places they had visited earlier to encourage those who had come to believe in our Lord through their preaching and to establish leaders in each community. They are called elders, in Greek, presbyteroi, from which we get our English word, priests. Then they go back to Antioch in Syria to report to the church that had sent them out about everything that God had accomplished through them on their trip. It was in this body of Christians that the Holy Spirit had spoken and acted to carry out the call of Christ to go and make disciples of all nations.

In our second reading John has a vision of the new Jerusalem coming down from God. This is an image of the church, the new people of God, brought together as one family to experience the blessing of God's presence with and in us as we live in love for one another, which is the new commandment that Jesus has given to us. "This is how all will know that you are my disciples," Jesus says, "if you have love for one another." Jesus is made visible in the world by the bonds of love that hold his people together.

Some people think that religion is just a private thing and that they don't need anything but a personal relationship with God in order to live and grow in the faith. While that relationship is essential, it is not enough. From the very beginning of his public life Jesus brought people together and formed them as a community of love. Jesus intended to form the church from the very beginning. Without the structures inspired and fortified by the Holy Spirit, the faith would have died out.

Our parishes are part of a world-wide web of faith that is the body of Christ. It is his mind and his heart that guide us. It is his Spirit that strengthens us and gives us joy. If we separate ourselves from his body, we lose these gifts. We are much more likely to deceive ourselves into thinking that our own desires represent the will of God.

May God help us to stay close to each other in the church. When we live together in love, we live in Christ, and he lives in us.

Blessings,

Fr. Scott



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## The Pope | What Catholics Believe

Join Dr. Christopher Mooney, assistant professor of theology at the Augustine Institute Graduate School of Theology, as he answers some of the internet's most popular questions about the pope and the papacy.

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## Calendar

### Saturday, May 17

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

4:30 p.m. Mass @ St. Brigid

### Sunday, May 18

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

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

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

### Monday, May 19

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

7:00 p.m. Journey of Faith (OCIA) @ St. Brigid

### Tuesday, May 20

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

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

7:00 p.m. St. Joseph Cemetery Mtg

### Wednesday, May 21

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

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

6:00 p.m. Mother & Daughter Banquet @ St. Brigid Hall

### Friday, May 23

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

Wedding Rehearsal @ St. Edward

### Saturday, May 24

Wedding @ St. Edward

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

4:30 p.m. Mass @ St. Brigid

### Sunday, May 25

7:30 a.m. Mass @ St. Brigid, Donut Social to follow

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

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

### Monday, May 26

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

9:30 a.m. Mass @ St. Joseph Cemetery

### Tuesday, May 27

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

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

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

### Wednesday, May 28

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

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

### Friday, May 30

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

## Mass Intentions

### SATURDAY, MAY 17

4:30 p.m.—St. Brigid: +George Schneider

+Roger Hummel

+Herman & Rita Huber

### SUNDAY, MAY 18

7:30 a.m.—St. Brigid: +Yvonne Arnold

+Jeffrey Graham

9:00 a.m.—St. Joseph: For the People of Our Parishes

10:30 a.m.—St. Edward: +John Blickhan

+Edward Blickhan

### MONDAY, MAY 19

6:30 p.m.—St. Brigid: +Leroy Lentz

+Leon Lentz

### TUESDAY, MAY 20

8:00 a.m.—St. Edward: +Linda Howe

+Janet Hilgenbrinck

### WEDNESDAY, MAY 21

8:00 a.m.—St. Joseph: +Rose Mary Howell

+Roy Bauer

### FRIDAY, MAY 23

8:00 p.m.—St. Brigid: +Herman & Rita Huber

+Mary Jo Obert

### SATURDAY, MAY 24

4:30 p.m.—St. Brigid: +Clara Neisen

+Ted Neisen

### SUNDAY, MAY 25

7:30 a.m.—St. Brigid: For the People of Our Parishes

9:00 a.m.—St. Joseph: +Norma Hidebrand

+Nick Dietrich

+Alan Hildebrand

10:30 a.m.—St. Edward: +Karen Shaffer

+Barb Blickhan

## Parish Collection: May 11

St. Brigid \$ 4,871.00

St. Edward \$ 2,412.00

St. Joseph \$ 3,152.00

**Thank you for your generous support!**

*All Collections included in total this week*

## Memorial Day Cemetery Masses

### Monday, May 27

• 8 a.m. Mass at St. Brigid Cemetery

• 9:30 a.m. Mass at St. Joseph Cemetery

If raining, it will be moved in the church.

PLEASE BRING YOUR LAWN CHAIRS!



## VBS Supply Help!

HELP! We are in need of empty paper towel tubes for Bible School. There will be a blue collection box in each church vestibule. We could also use children's books & puzzles featuring: Creation, Noah's Ark, Jonah & the whale, and Moses. If you have any of these, please label with your name & leave in the box in the church vestibule. Thank you so much for your help!



**DIOCESE OF SPRINGFIELD IN ILLINOIS**  
OFFICE OF THE BISHOP

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,  
This May, our diocese will take up a collection for the Catholic Communication Campaign (CCC). Please prayerfully consider supporting the collection this year. Fifty percent of collected funds stay in the Diocese of Springfield in Illinois and the other 50 percent support communications projects in the United States and around the world.

Through Catholic Times, social media, videos, podcasting, and other digital methods, our diocese is taking advantage of several communication outlets to spread the news of our diocese, teach the faith, and provide hope and encouragement to people no matter where they are in their faith life.

Followers on the diocesan social media channels have exploded over the years. Our channels have far more followers than most dioceses our size, and several that are two to three times as big as our diocese and several archdioceses. For example, our Facebook page has nearly 12,000 followers (we had about 3,000 followers six years ago). In 2020, our YouTube channel had under 500 subscribers. Today, it is approaching 18,000 subscribers! This shows that the content our curia team is producing is engaging, inspirational, and educational, and people want to consume it because it is helping them.

For example, a search on You Tube for "How to go to Confession," has a video from our diocese in the top five for answering that question, with more than 165,000 views. Dive Deep, the official podcast of the Diocese of Springfield in Illinois, has listeners all over the world, and was endorsed by EWTN which placed Dive Deep on their podcast central webpage. God is Alive, Part 2, a documentary produced by our communications team that features incredible stories in the Midwest, premiered this spring to wide praise. The documentary comes on the heels of the popular God is Alive (part 1) documentary, which came out two years ago.

With your generosity, we can continue creating engaging content and bring people closer to our faith or even back to our faith.

Parishioners can donate online at [parishgiving.dio.org/secondcollections](http://parishgiving.dio.org/secondcollections) or use their second collection envelope. You can also mail your donation to your parish office. For more information about the collection and the projects it supports, visit [www.usccb.org/cc](http://www.usccb.org/cc).

Thank you.

Sincerely yours in Christ,  
Most Reverend Thomas John Paprocki  
Bishop of Springfield in Illinois



## Baptisms

Kinsley Nicole Barry,  
Daughter of Lee & Cierra Barry at St. Brigid

## Safe Environment

Misty is working on the updating of the Safe Environment parishioner/volunteer profiles. You may be receiving a letter to update your background check and the DCFS check. These checks only happen every 5 years, and are required by the diocese for all active volunteers. This program helps to ensure the safety of our children and parish assets. If you are having difficulty navigating the update, please call the office, Misty is willing to help you. Also if you are no longer an active volunteer, please call the office to have your name removed.



## Mother & Daughter Banquet

Please join us for our special  
Mother & Daughter Event!  
Wednesday, May 21st at 6:00 p.m.  
Saint Brigid Catholic Church Hall  
A meal will be provided!  
Please rsvp to Renee @ 217.440.8417  
We hope you can join us!  
Free will offering event



# Ministry Schedules

ST. BRIGID CHURCH						
May 24 & 25	Altar Server	Communion Minister	Usher	Lector	Greeter /Hospitality	Gift Bearer
<b>SATURDAY 4:30 p.m.</b>	Hannah Buss Bryce Mixer Miles Mixer	Stacy Clark Debbie Maas Mike Maas	Mara Ippensen Dan Kramer Mike Maas	Katie Ippensen	Jeff & Jody Obert	John & Stacy Clark
<b>SUNDAY 7:30 a.m.</b>	Kooper Powell Ryleigh Powell	Vickie Cramsey Nancy Obert	Kyle Leonard Justin Mewes Lucy Mewes	Mark Heidbreder	Mark & Carol Heidbreder	Justin & Lucy Mewes

ST. JOSEPH CHURCH						
May 25	Altar Server	Communion Minister	Usher	Lector	Greeter /Hospitality	Gift Bearer
<b>SUNDAY 9:00 a.m.</b>	Isabella Neisen Wyatt Kill Erika Althoff	T. Mast Pat Genenbacher Billie Huebotter	Zachary Hailey Henry Bockhold	Stan Frese		Hailey/Bockhold Families

ST. EDWARD CHURCH						
May 25	Altar Server	Communion Minister	Rosary	Lector	Greeter /Hospitality	Gift Bearer
<b>SUNDAY 10:30 a.m.</b>	Jaxson Tuter Josie Venvetloh Mark Wellman	Donna Voss Emily Wellman Karen Woodworth	Donna Voss	Ashley Shaffer	Fred Kientzle Family	Josh Venvetloh Family
<b>* Please continue passing the basket for collection.</b>						

## Please Remember to Pray For:

Daran Knuffman	Joe Rice	Ryan Wiemelt
Zoey Obert	Linda Windoffer	Scottie Bastert
Julia Winfield	Monica Mast	Bernice Dittmer
Haddlei Burnett	Bonnie Johnson	Joann Walton
Jim Steinkamp	Elizabeth Leonard	Kent Hilgenbrinck
Kayle Sheely	Ben Venvetloh	Jim Wilson
John Kroner	Ripken Rangel	Connie Dietrich
Marvin Meyer	Maurie Koch	Virginia Berhorst
Carl Schisler	Tony Peters	Corey Sheurman
Rachel Cramsey	Joy Huebotter	Lisa Bohan
Ginny Brinkman	Raleigh Bess	Rinley Barry
Denny Meyer	Karen Woodworth	
Rosie Miller	Doug Woodworth	

## Stewardship Reflection

"I give you a new commandment: love one another. As I have loved you, so you also should love one another."  
(John 13:34)

"As I have loved you," this is the hard part – Jesus's love is unconditional; our love usually comes with strings attached. It is easy to love someone when they love you back. But it takes mercy and compassion to love someone when you feel unappreciated, feel used or feel like your opinion doesn't matter. It takes courage and the grace of God to "love my neighbor" when they may be someone you don't like, someone you don't know, or someone that doesn't look like you.

Please contact us if we need to remove your name from our prayer list.

# ST. BRIGID – ST. EDWARD – ST. JOSEPH PARISH SCHOOL OF RELIGION (PSR)



## St Edward PSR

St. Edwards 5-8 PSR had a Catholic Jeopardy game to celebrate the last PSR of this year! Here is a picture of the winners and the whole group!



Thank you to all the parents for the end of the year catechist treats and flowers!



2024/2025 K-4 Catechists and Students!

We had a great last day of K-4 PSR celebrating the May Crowning!





# ST. BRIGID – ST. EDWARD – ST. JOSEPH PARISH SCHOOL OF RELIGION (PSR)



## The New Commandment

In the Old Testament, before Jesus came, there were many commandments. They told the people how they should live and what they should and shouldn't do. Jesus obeyed the commandments, but He gave His followers a new one, something different than any of the others:

**LOVE ONE ANOTHER.**

The love that Jesus was talking about is called charity. It means doing what is best for a person. Here are some ways to love others:



Always think kindly of people. Even when you know something bad about someone, try to think nice thoughts about them.

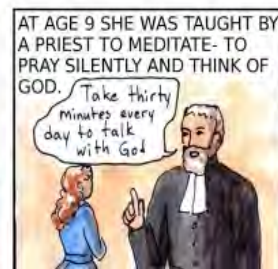
Always speak kindly about people. Saying bad things about others can hurt them.



Always act kindly toward others. Treat everyone in the way that you would want to be treated. Show that you are a follower of Jesus by how you love others!



## Saint Mary Magdalene de Pazzi May 25



MARY MAGDALENE DE PAZZI RECEIVED MANY VISIONS FROM GOD, AND BY WHAT SHE SAID PEOPLE LEARNED A LOT ABOUT HIM. BUT SHE SUFFERED A LOT TOO. SHE WAS SICK DIFFERENT TIMES, AND HAD VERY HARD TEMPTATIONS, BUT SHE STAYED FAITHFUL TO GOD. SHE DIED FROM A PAINFUL SICKNESS WHEN SHE WAS 41.

## VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

FOR BOYS & GIRLS  
AGES 3 - GRADE 4



Come join us and have fun learning about the Story of Creation, Adam & Eve, Noah and the Flood, Jonah and the Whale, and Moses.

We will have games, snacks and TONS OF

FUN!!

**June 22-26  
6:30 pm**

To register contact **Jeanne Cramsey**

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