St. Brigid - St. Joseph - St. Edward

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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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Pastor's Letter

November 8, 2026 – 32nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

Dear Church Family,

Our Gospel reading reminds us that we need to be ready for the return of Christ. We need to be prepared, with the light of our faith shining brightly to greet him when he comes to fulfill the promises of God to make all things new and bring in the fullness of God's kingdom. This great hope of new life is foretold for us in our second reading from Paul's first letter to the Thessalonians, "For the Lord himself, with a word of command, with the voice of an archangel and with the trumpet of God, will come down from heaven, and the dead in Christ will rise first. Then we who are alive, who are left, will be caught up together with them in the clouds to meet the Lord in the air. Thus we shall always be with the Lord. Therefore, console one another with these words."

But we are also called to be on the lookout for all the ways that God is showing himself to us and offering us guidance and encouragement now as we move towards the day of the Lord. In our first lesson from the book of Wisdom we read, "Whoever watches for her (Wisdom) at dawn shall not be disappointed, for he shall find her sitting by his gate. For taking thought of wisdom is the perfection of prudence, and whoever for her sake keeps vigil shall quickly be free from care; because she makes her own rounds, seeking those worthy of her, and graciously appears to them in the ways, and meets them with all solicitude."

God is always revealing his goodness and truth to those who have eyes to see. The beauty of creation testifies to his greatness. He is here in the words of Scripture and Tradition. He walks beside us in prayer. He nourishes our faith with the sacraments. All it takes to receive him is an open mind, an open heart, and the desire to be led by his Spirit. When we open ourselves to him we see everything in a new light.

Today is the day to begin looking for the coming of the Lord, not only on the last day, but every day between now and then, however long or short that time may be. With him as our companion on the journey of life, it will be a great adventure.

Blessings,

Fr. Scott

Calendar

Saturday, November 7 – *Mass of Remembrance
3:45 p.m.—4:15 p.m. Reconciliation @ St. Brigid
*4:30 p.m. Mass @ St. Brigid – Children's Mass
Sunday, November 8 - *Mass of Remembrance
7:30 a.m. Mass @ St. Brigid, Donut Social to follow
*9:00 a.m. Mass @ St. Joseph – Children's Mass, Donuts Social to follow
9:15 a.m.—10:15 a.m. PSR @ St. Edward
10:00 a.m.—11:15 am PSR @ St. Joseph
*10:30 a.m. Mass @ St. Edward
Monday, November 9
6:30 p.m. Mass @ St. Brigid
7:00 p.m. OCIA @ St. Brigid
Tuesday, November 10
8:00 a.m. Mass @ St. Edward
7:00 p.m. Bible Study @ St. Joseph
Wednesday, November 11
8:00 a.m. Mass @ St. Joseph
3:10 p.m.—4:30 p.m. PSR (K-4) @ St. Edward
6:30 p.m.—7:45 p.m. PSR @ St. Brigid
Thursday, November 12 - OFFICE CLOSES AT 2:45 p.m.
6:30 p.m. Altar Society @ St. Joseph
Friday, November 13
8:00 a.m. Mass @ St. Brigid
Saturday, November 14
3:45 p.m.—4:15 p.m. Reconciliation @ St. Brigid
4:30 p.m. Mass @ St. Brigid
Sunday, November 15
7:30 a.m. Mass @ St. Brigid
9:00 a.m. Mass @ St. Joseph
9:15 a.m.—10:15 a.m. PSR @ St. Edward
10:00 a.m.—11:15 am PSR @ St. Joseph
10:30 a.m. Mass @ St. Edward – Children's Mass
Monday, November 16
6:30 p.m. Mass @ St. Brigid
7:00 p.m. OCIA @ St. Brigid
Tuesday, November 17
8:00 a.m. Mass @ St. Edward
7:00 p.m. Bible Study @ St. Joseph
7:00 p.m. Pastoral/Finance Council @ St. Edward
Wednesday, November 18
8:00 a.m. Mass @ St. Joseph
3:10 p.m.—4:30 p.m. PSR (K-4) @ St. Edward
6:30 p.m.—7:45 p.m. PSR @ St. Brigid
Thursday, November 19 - OFFICE CLOSES AT 2:45 p.m.
Friday, November 20
8:00 a.m. Mass @ St. Brigid

Mass Intentions

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 7
4:30 p.m.—St. Brigid: *George & Marilyn Barry*

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 8
7:30 a.m.—St. Brigid: *+Beau Avery Barry*
+Paul Barry
9:00 a.m.—St. Joseph: *People of the Parishes*
10:30 a.m.—St. Edward: *+Allison O'Donnell*
+Marg Hyer
MONDAY, NOVEMBER 9
6:30 p.m. – St. Brigid: *+Russ & Norma Ellwood*

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 10
8:00 a.m. – St. Edward: *+June Terwelp*

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 11
8:00 a.m. – St. Joseph: *+Alvin Hildebrand*

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 13
8:00 a.m. – St. Brigid: *+Helen Frese*

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 14
4:30 p.m.—St. Brigid: *+Bernadine Terstriep*
+Mary & Leon Welsh
+Dawn Ulry

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 15
7:30 a.m.—St. Brigid: *+Eric Bruns*
9:00 a.m.—St. Joseph: *+Linda Leasman*
+Nick Dietrich
10:30 a.m.—St. Edward: *People of the Parishes*

Parish Collection: November 1

St. Brigid	$ 4,421.50
Online Giving	$ 120.44
St. Edward	$ 2,293.00
Online Giving	$ 100.00
St. Joseph	$ 2,580.50
Online Giving	$ 140.00

Thank you for your generous support!
All Collections included in total this week

Online Giving

Below are the links:
https://pushpay.com/g/stbrigidliberty
https://pushpay.com/g/stedwardmendon
https://pushpay.com/g/stjosephquincy
It will walk you through setting up your giving account.

Ministry Schedules

ST. BRIGID CHURCH						
November 14 & 15	**Altar Server**	**Communion Minister**	**Usher**	**Lector**	**Greeter /Hospitality**	**Gift Bearer**
SATURDAY 4:30 p.m.	Owen Potter Grace Potter	Lisa Berry Stacy Clark Katie Ippensen	Laura Maas Mike Maas Randy Maas	Rich Cramsey	Dave & Angela Obert	Ron & Rose Barry
SUNDAY 7:30 a.m.	Raymond Leonard Mason Hocking	Brandy Hocking Dot Smith	Craig Gramke Mike Hummel Kyle Leonard	Greg Obert	Michael & Barb Obert	Justin & Lucy Mewes

ST. JOSEPH CHURCH						
November 15	**Altar Server**	**Communion Minister**	**Usher**	**Lector**	**Greeter /Hospitality**	**Gift Bearer**
SUNDAY 9:00 a.m.	Erika Althoff Caleb Bockhold James Bockhold	Barb Frese Jolinn Tripp Brenda Siebers	Glennon Rost Zachary Hailey	Ben Hugenberg		Barb & Dan Frese

ST. EDWARD CHURCH						
November 15	**Altar Server**	**Communion Minister**	**Rosary**	**Lector**	**Greeter /Hospitality**	**Gift Bearer**
SUNDAY 10:30 a.m.	Abel Zimmerman Brynlee Zimmerman Malia Zimmerman	Lindsey Cornwell Tracy Cornwell Brenda Fleer	Connie Bealor	Becky Cottingham	Seth Knox Family	Jared Weeks Family
*** Please continue passing the basket for collection.**						

Please Remember to Pray For:

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Julia Winfield
Haddlei Burnett
Jim Steinkamp
Kayle Sheely
John Kroner
Marvin Meyer
Carl Schisler
Rachel Cramsey
Denny Meyer
Rosie Miller
Joe Rice
Monica Mast
Stan Obert
Kim Meyer
Billy Meyer
Ben Venvertloh
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Joy Huebotter
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Kent Hilgenbrinck
Mark Thompson
Connie Dietrich
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Rich Klauser
Lisa Bohan
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Bill Hilgenbrinck
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Bill Ervin
Sophie Shriver
Kristy Bollin
Carol Haistings
Sue Rossmiller
Don Arnold
Linda Esminger
Sydney Haistings

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

Stewardship Reflection

"Therefore, stay awake, for you know neither the day nor the hour." – Matthew 25:13

Many of us have put off doing something because we think we are too busy. We've all said, "I'll do it later when I have time." Unfortunately, too many of us apply this attitude to our Faith. Jesus' call is urgent, in the here and now, in your current circumstances. How is God calling you to use your gifts today? Don't delay. None of us is guaranteed tomorrow.



St. Brigid
Bernadine Terwelp
Donald McCleary
Norman Boone
Helen Frese
Raymond Arnold

St. Joseph
Jim Wilson
Jimmy Brinkman

St. Edward
Lawrence Wietholder
Bernice Dittmer

All pictures need to be in by October 25, and pictures will be up for 2 weeks. Picture pick up will be November 29 & 30.

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CATHOLIC HEART WORKCAMP

The Catholic Heart Workcamp 50/50 raffle is up to $4,490 this week! That's $2,245.00 for the winner on December 6. Is your name in the drawing yet? If not, you'd better see a camper for a ticket.



QCES Mass Attendance Cards

Mass attendance cards are available at the back of church.





Rest in Peace

Please pray for the repose of the soul of Reverend Monsignor Leo J. Enlow, who died recently. Eternal rest, grant unto him, O Lord.

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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.

Quincy Deanery Council of Catholic Women
Fall Faith and Fun Gathering

All women you are invited on Wednesday, November 18, 2026 at St Mary's Parish in Pittsfield

Featured speaker: Dr Martha Rapp: ***A Mother's Faith-Martha Jane Tolton***

7:45 a.m.-8:30 a.m.: Registration; Cost $10

8:30 a.m.: Mass followed by Adoration and the rosary

10:00 a.m.: Light Breakfast, program and speakers, lunch and FUN. Ends approximately 2:30 p.m.

Please register by Monday, November 16, so we know how many for lunch. Sign-up sheet is at the church. Questions, contact Susan Asher QDCCW, President 217-653-5074.

Blessed Sacrament Parish Men's Conference

In a world that often challenges our faith, Catholic men are called to live with wisdom, conviction, and compassion. Join us for an evening of great food, fellowship, and inspiring presentations that will challenge and encourage you in your walk with Christ. The evening, themed "The Courage to be Catholic", will feature talks on the courage to seek to understand our faith, live it authentically each day, and stand up for it when needed.

Friday, November 20, Blessed Sacrament Gathering Space

Dinner: 5:30 p.m. Conference: 6:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m.

Cost: $10 (includes meal) RSVP by Monday, November 16 to Blessed Sacrament Parish Office 217-222-2759

All men are welcome.

Women's Cursillo Weekend #388

Women's Cursillo weekend #388 will be held November 12 through November 15, 2026 at the Franciscan Retreat Center in Quincy. During this three day experience, those attending pray together, celebrate the Eucharist, listen to talks given by priests, religious and laypersons, and share the fellowship of Jesus Christ and each other. It provides a casual and relaxed experience in a Christian community. For more information or to print an application, please contact Connie Bealor at 217-440-6886 or go to https://quincycursillo.com.

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.

CHWC
Facebook Auction

Starts: 7:00 AM Friday, Nov. 13

Ends: 7:00 PM Friday, Nov. 20.



Come join the fun at CHWC's Facebook auction. We will have over 70 items. Buy for yourself or do some early Christmas shopping while supporting our mission trip.

Teens and adults from Sts Brigid, Edward, Joseph, Thomas, and Holy Family parishes are raising money to pay for their mission trip to Memphis next summer.

Contact any camper or Jeanne Cramsey to get added to the event on Facebook.

Jeanne Cramsey 217-653-3962

Neighbor Helping Neighbor

We all have our own talents...things that we are good at...and what better way to be the person that God wants us to be than to share those talents with each other.

A few of us were brainstorming to see what talents people would be willing to share and what others might need. Here's what we came up with – please feel free to add to it with a talent(s) you would be willing to use or know that someone needs.

Need a ride to ...
- a doctor's appointment
- church
- get groceries



Yard work..
- mowing
- raking leaves



Sewing to fix a garment...
- button
- zipper
- alter



Washing windows

Cleaning gutters



All of us, at some time or other, need help. Whether we're giving or receiving help, each one of us has something valuable to bring to this world. That's one of the things that connects us as neighbors – in our own way, each one of us is a giver and a receiver. - Fred Rogers

Talents and Needs

Can you think of any talents you could share, or needs that you have – or see a need for in our area?

Talents to Share	Needs in our Area

This is a pilot program. We are trying to see if there is a need for this kind of ministry in our area. Please fill out and put in the collection at church.

St. Brigid – St. Edward – St. Joseph
Parish School of Religion

- November 25 – NO PSR
- November 29 – NO PSR

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 p.m. Friday to 6 p.m. Saturday. *There is a fee for this retreat, but St. Brigid, St. Edward, and St. Joseph have funds available to cover this cost!* Please contact the office at 217-645-3444 if you are wanting to go on a weekend, and our awesome churches will pay for you to go! Please contact Caroline Wiewel at 217-430-6086 / questcoordinator@greatrivertec.org for questions or fill out an app online at http://www.greatrivertec.org/quest

The next retreat weekend: December 11-12, or January 22-23, or May 7-8

Always be Ready



Have you ever thought to yourself that it would be better to have fun and be bad now, and then be good later? That's what some of the bridesmaids in today's parable were like. They only brought enough oil for their lamps, and didn't bother to bring any extra. But the other bridesmaids had been wise and took along extra flasks to refill their lamps when it got late. When the bridegroom came, those who hadn't brought extra oil were gone, getting more oil, and missed the feast!

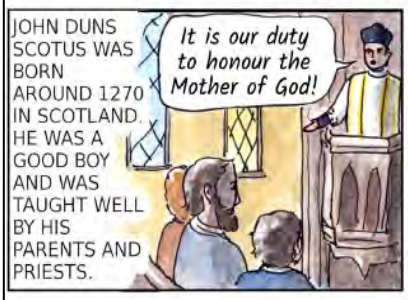


Sometimes people say that they have lots of time to change from their evil ways, so they don't repent right away. This parable shows us that it is very foolish to leave important things until later. Nobody knows when they will die, so we should always be ready.

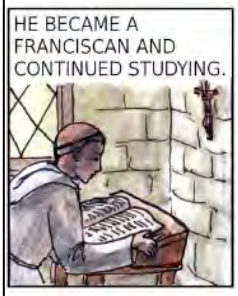
The oil of the bridesmaids is like the grace in our souls. We need to make sure that our soul always has sanctifying grace, which we need to get into Heaven. We lose that grace when we do a serious sin. That is why if we ever commit a serious sin, we should go to confession as soon as we can so that we will always have grace and be ready for when we die.



Blessed John Duns Scotus
November 8















BLESSED JOHN KNEW THAT THERE IS NOTHING MORE IMPORTANT THAN KNOWING, LOVING, AND SERVING GOD. HE HAD A GREAT THIRST TO UNDERSTAND HIM BETTER SO HE STUDIED HARD. THE MORE HE UNDERSTOOD ABOUT GOD THE MORE HE COULD TEACH OTHERS ABOUT HIM. WE SHOULD PRAY FOR GOOD TEACHERS.

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