

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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Location of Our Parishes

St. Brigid Catholic Church

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St. Joseph Catholic Church

1435 E. 1500th St.
Quincy, IL 62305

St. Edward Catholic Church

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217-645-3546

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Pastor's Letter

March 24, 2024—Palm Sunday of The Passion of the Lord

Dear Church Family,

Today the church experiences the emotional whiplash of Palm Sunday of the Lord's Passion. At the beginning of Mass, we hear about the triumphal entry of Jesus into Jerusalem at Passover. The crowds welcome him with acclamations that call to mind the coming of the Messiah. They see him as the one sent by God to save Israel. By the end of the week, however, these same crowds will turn on him and call for his death by crucifixion. Even his closest friends will desert him.

We see here how fickle people can be and how futile it is to seek popular approval. There is only one person whose faithfulness will never change, who will never fail us, and that's God. And God is the only one whose approval we should be seeking. Pleasing God and following his will for us may not make us very popular, but our goal is something much more important and lasting than fame or fortune in this life. We are made for the eternal joys of heaven and Jesus has shown us how to get there.

Jesus has shown us that the path to life is the path of humble submission to the will of God. As St. Paul says, "He emptied himself, taking the form of a slave, coming in human likeness; and found human in appearance, he humbled himself, becoming obedient to the point of death, even death on a cross. Because of this, God greatly exalted him and bestowed on him the name which is above every name, that at the name of Jesus every knee should bend, of those in heaven and on earth and under the earth, and every tongue confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father." Jesus poured out his life for us so that we would be able to receive life from the Father. His obedience brought him through death on the cross into the resurrection. If we follow his example, our obedience will bring us to be with him forever with all the saints in light.

As we come into Holy Week, we ponder everything that has been won for us by our Lord's sacrificial suffering and death. We remember how superficial and fleeting the pleasures and honors of this life are and recommit ourselves to striving for things that are eternal by living as Jesus lived, giving as he gave, and proclaiming everywhere that He is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.

Blessings,

Fr. Scott

Calendar

Saturday, March 23

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

Sunday, March 24—Palm Sunday

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

9:00 a.m. Mass @ St. Joseph (Children's Mass)

Stations of the Cross to follow 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, March 25

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

Tuesday, March 26

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

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

Wednesday, March 27

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, March 28—Holy Thursday

7:00 p.m.—Mass @ St. Edward—The Lord's Supper

Friday, March 29—Good Friday

OFFICE CLOSED

7:00 p.m.—Mass @ St. Brigid—Lord's Passion

Saturday, March 30—Holy Saturday

8:00 p.m.—Mass @ St. Joseph—Easter Vigil

Sunday, March 31—Easter Sunday

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

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

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

Monday, April 1

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

Tuesday, April 2

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

6:00 p.m.—3rd Grade Parent/Sponsor Meeting

@ St. Joseph

Wednesday, April 3

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, April 4

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

Friday, April 5

8:00 a.m.—Mass @ St. Edward w/ adoration to follow

Mass Intentions

SATURDAY, MARCH 23

4:30 p.m.—St. Brigid: *Harold Siebers*

SUNDAY, MARCH 24—PALM SUNDAY

7:30 a.m.—St. Brigid: *Paul Barry*

9:00 a.m.—St. Joseph: *Leonard Ohnemus*

10:30 a.m.—St. Edward: *Martha Koetters*

MONDAY, MARCH 25

6:30 p.m.—St. Brigid: *Beau Avery Barry*

TUESDAY, MARCH 26

8:00 a.m.—St. Edward: *Leonard Niekamp*

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 27

8:00 a.m.—St. Joseph: *Greg & Jeanette Knapp*

THURSDAY, MARCH 28—HOLY THURSDAY

7:00 p.m.—St. Edward: *Bishops & Priests of the
Diocese Living & Deceased*

SATURDAY, MARCH 30—HOLY SATURDAY

4:30 p.m.—St. Brigid: *Those Being Baptized &*

Received into the Full Communion in Our Diocese

SUNDAY, MARCH 31—EASTER SUNDAY

7:30 a.m.—St. Brigid: *Marilyn Barry*

9:00 a.m.—St. Joseph: *Carl & Dorothy Mast*

10:30 a.m.—St. Edward: *Clayton Flick*

Parish Support: March 17

St. Brigid \$ 2719.75

St. Edward \$ 2233.00

St. Joseph \$ 3,347.00

Thank you for your generous support!

Diocese Special Collections

Holy Land Collection—March 29

The Holy Land Collection supports the work of the Franciscans as they maintain the sacred shrines, minister to the parishes, provide formation and education in communities and schools, and care for the basic needs of people in the Holy Land. People need support for everything, including medicine, surgeries, food, and school tuition. With your help the Franciscans can continue to be a light of hope to those living in darkness.

Seminarian Collection—March 31

The Seminarian Collection will help our diocese to educate and form future priests. Our diocese has been blessed with an increasing number of young men who have generously said yes to God's call. We now have 15 seminarians. You can take a personal role in their formation with a generous gift in the special Easter collection.

St. Edward Easter Choir Invite

Anyone wishing to sing in St. Ed's Easter choir, please let Rich Lask know OR come on up to the choir loft on Sundays from 9:30-10:00. Everyone is encouraged to come and help us "make a joyous sound" to the Lord!

Food Pantry Donations

Collection of nonperishable items are being donated to Quincy Catholic Charities. You may drop your items in the church vestibule. Items will be taken on the second Sunday every month.

Thank You for your generosity!

Women's Cursillo Weekend

There will be a women's Cursillo weekend on April 11 - 14 at the Quincy University Retreat center. It is an opportunity to renew and refresh your faith and to broaden your appreciation of our church. The weekend begins on Thursday evening and continues with fellowship, good food, singing, worship, prayer and meditation through Sunday afternoon. There are registration forms in the back of church or you may contact Connie Bealor for more information. 217-440-6886.

Please Remember to Pray For:

Daran Knuffman	Margie Steinkamp	Marilyn Obert
Kris Mast	Ginny Brinkman	Leon Lentz
Zoey Obert	Travis Irvin	Jim Wilson
Jennifer Neise	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	

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.

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.

Divine Mercy Sunday at St. Joseph

Join us April 7 at 3 p.m. for Eucharistic Adoration and the Divine Mercy Chaplet.

Cursillo List Updating

If you've been on a Cursillo, I need your email address & phone number; home address. This for our Cursillo list which is out of date!

Thank you

Pam Arnold

Bulletin Deadline

All information must be submitted by noon on Tuesday.

Submit to: church@stsbej.org

Divine Mercy Sunday Holy Hour at St. Anthony

Please plan to join us on Divine Mercy Sunday, April 7, at 2:00 p.m. at St. Anthony Church. The Holy Hour will include Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, Confession, and Rosaries. At 3:00 p.m. we will recite the Divine Mercy Chaplet and Benediction will follow. Plan to join us afterwards in the Quilt Room for Divine Mercy Sunday Sundaes at about 3:30 p.m.!

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.

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.

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 6:00 p.m. Friday to 5:30 p.m. Saturday. **The next retreat weekend is April 5-6.** 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!

Quincy Deanery DCCW

For All Women: The flyer and sign-up sheet for the next Quincy Deanery DCCW for our Spring gathering on Wednesday, April 3, 2024, in Pittsfield can be found in your church lobby.

Our theme for this gathering is Confession: Mercy, Justice and Forgiveness. We learn, pray and gather new information and ideas to take back to our parishes and families and in the process make new friends and further our Faith. Bring along a friend to spend the day with us in Historic Pittsfield. The sign-up sheet gives our host church an idea on how many to plan for lunch.

Our Lady of Good Counsel is our Spiritual Director and has led us in all our gatherings. Please come and find out what Our Lady is calling you to. Please call 217-653-6716 with any questions you might have. Claudia Coggeshall-President of Quincy DCCW



First Reconciliation Night



PSR News!

St. Joseph's PSR is in need of more juice boxes! Thank you!

First Reconciliation

A BIG THANK YOU to all of our wonderful PSR students for fulfilling all of the ministry roles (except Eucharistic Ministers – thank you to the adults who did that!) for our Children's Masses! Here are a few pictures of the students practicing!

Stations of the Cross – ALL ARE WELCOME!

St. Joseph PSR will lead a short Stations of the Cross following 9 a.m. Mass on Sunday, March 24.

3rd Graders

The next Sponsor/Candidate meeting will be on Tuesday, April 2 from 6-7 p.m. at St. Joseph's Hall for all three Parish PSR third graders. IF your child's sponsor is unable to attend, please send a parent/guardian in his/her place! Confirmation and First Communion will take place at the Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception in Springfield on Saturday, May 4. SERVICE PROJECT POSTER-BOARDS ARE DUE AT THIS MEETING! Please be working on these if you haven't already completed them!

May Crowning

PSR will be celebrating our last day of PSR (St. Brigid & St. Edward K-4: May 8, St. Joseph & St. Edward 5-8: May 5). I am looking for people to help with different stations for the students to learn about Mary. If you have a special talent or knowledge pertaining to Mary that you would be willing to share with one or all of our PSR programs (such as how to make a Rosary, a craft that the kids could make with you, a simple lesson about a Saint with Mary or just Mary that would take about 10-15 minutes, etc.), please contact me at 217-257-3536. Thank you! –Emily Wellman

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—FORTITUDE

Here is a prayer for Fortitude:

Lord, I want to be brave for you. I want to stay committed to you and your teachings. Help me to grow in the virtue of fortitude so I may do your will and not give up when things get hard. Teach me to practice patience and perseverance in times of difficulty. I want to honor you, Lord, in all I do, whether it's big or small. Give me a heart like yours so I can do all things with great love. Amen.

Ministry Schedules

ST. BRIGID CHURCH						
March 29 & 31	Altar Server	Communion Minister	Usher	Lector	Greeter /Hospitality	Gift Bearer
GOOD FRIDAY 7 p.m.	Ashley Schutte Bryce Mixer	Robin Mowen Stacy Clark	Dan Kramer Randy Maas Laura Maas	Jeff Obert 1 NEEDED	John & Stacy Clark	Jeff & Jody Obert
EASTER SUNDAY 7:30 a.m.	Dylan Hocking Mason Hocking	Dot Smith Vickie Cramsey	David Dodd Lucy Mewes Greg Obert	Nancy Boone	Greg & Nancy Obert	Gene & Lorrie Klauser

ST. JOSEPH CHURCH						
March 30 & 31	Altar Server	Communion Minister	Usher	Lector	Greeter /Hospitality	Gift Bearer
HOLY SAT. EASTER VIGIL 8 p.m.	Andrea Makayla Asher	Theresa Brenda	Ted Mast Kenny Mast	Billie Huebotter Florence Dietrich		Mast Family
EASTER SUNDAY 9:00 a.m.	Abigail Isabella Quinn	Greg White Krista White	Kevin Walker Kenny Mock	Ben		Walker & Mock Families

ST. EDWARD CHURCH						
March 28 & 31	Altar Server	Communion Minister	Rosary	Lector	Greeter /Hospitality	Gift Bearer
HOLY THURSDAY 7 p.m.	Jaxson Tuter Mark Wellman Austin Frese	Connie Bealor Paul Bealor	Susan York	2 NEEDED	Tyler Wellman Family	Ray Voss Family
EASTER SUNDAY 10:30 a.m.	Braylee Brackensick Alivia Felde Annastyn Landwehr	Lindsey Cornwell Tracy Cornwell	Connie Bealor	Ashley Shaffer	Susan York	Rusty Voss Family

* Please continue passing the basket for collection.

Lenten Obligation

Ash Wednesday and Good Friday are obligatory days of fasting and abstinence for Catholics. In addition, Fridays during Lent are obligatory days of abstinence.

For members of the Latin Catholic Church, the norms on fasting are obligatory from age 18 until age 59. When fasting, a person is permitted to eat one full meal, as well as two smaller meals that together are not equal to a full meal. The norms concerning abstinence from meat are binding upon members of the Latin Catholic Church from age 14 onwards.

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