

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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Office Hours

Tues. & Thurs. 8 am to 4 pm
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St. Joseph Catholic Church

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Office Hours

Wednesday 8am to 4 pm
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Pastor's Letter

March 29, 2026 – Palm Sunday

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

Stations of the Cross

Please plan to join us for Stations of The Cross this Lent. Everyone is welcome!

St. Joseph will have stations following Sunday 9 am mass with the PSR classes through Lent. Everyone welcome.

St. Brigid stations will follow the after the Friday 8 am mass. Everyone welcome.

St. Edward stations are Fridays at 7 pm. Please sign up for a time at the back of church.



Office Hours Change

The office will be closing at 2:45 p.m. on Thursdays.

Holy Week SCHEDULE

April 2 - Holy Thursday
7 PM MASS @ ST. BRIGID, LIBERTY, IL
ADORATION TO FOLLOW UNTIL 10 P.M.

April 3 - Good Friday
7 PM SERVICE @ ST. JOSEPH, QUINCY, IL

April 4 - Holy Saturday
8 PM EASTER VIGIL - ST. EDWARD,
MENDON, IL

All Sunday Masses will be at regular times.



Calendar

Saturday, March 28

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

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

Sunday, March 29

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

9:00 a.m. Mass @ St. Joseph, Stations of the Cross to follow

9:15 a.m.—10:15 a.m. PSR @ St. Edward

10:00 a.m.—11:15 a.m. PSR @ St. Joseph

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

Monday, March 30

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

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

Tuesday, March 31

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

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

Wednesday, April 1

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

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

3:10 p.m.—4:30 p.m. PSR (K-4) @ St. Edward

Thursday, April 2 – Holy Thursday

7:00 p.m. Mass of the Lord's Supper @ St. Brigid

Adoration to follow until 10 p.m.

Friday, April 3 – Good Friday

7:00 p.m. Good Friday Service @ St. Joseph

Saturday, April 4 – Holy Saturday - Easter Vigil

8:00 p.m. Easter Vigil @ St. Edward

Sunday, April 5

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

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

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

Monday, April 6

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

NO OCIA

Tuesday, April 7

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

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

6:00 p.m. St. Edward 3rd Graders Confirmation Meeting

6:30 p.m. Healing Rosary @ St. Joseph

Wednesday, April 8

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

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, April 9

6:30 p.m. Holy Name Meeting @ St. Joseph

Friday, April 10

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

Mass Intentions

SATURDAY, MARCH 28

4:30 p.m.—St. Brigid: +David Windoffer

+Russ & Norma Ellwood

SUNDAY, MARCH 29

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

9:00 a.m.—St. Joseph: +Peggy Genenbacher

+Gregory & Jeanette Knapp

10:30 a.m.—St. Edward: +Maurice Koch

+Jason Kasparie

MONDAY, MARCH 30

6:30 p.m.—St. Brigid: +Rosella Hummel

TUESDAY, MARCH 31

8:00 a.m.—St. Edward: +Bob McCleary

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 1

8:00 a.m.—St. Joseph: +Patty Lieurance

+Frances & Jane Meyer

+Bob & Rosella Neisen

THURSDAY, APRIL 2 – HOLY THURSDAY

7:00 p.m. – St. Brigid: Priests & Bishops of the Diocese
Living & Deceased

FRIDAY, APRIL 3 – GOOD FRIDAY

7:00 p.m.—St. Joseph: : No intentions

SATURDAY, APRIL 4

8:00 p.m.—St. Edward: Those Being Baptized &
Received into Full Communion in Our Diocese

SUNDAY, APRIL 5

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

9:00 a.m.—St. Joseph: +Kenneth Neisen

+Jason Ohnemus

+Dale & Rose Mary Zanger

10:30 a.m.—St. Edward: +JoAnn & Bud Wietholder

Parish Collection: March 22

St. Brigid \$ 4,264.00

Online Giving \$ 340.44

St. Edward \$ 3,156.60

Online Giving \$ 100.00

St. Joseph \$ 1,879.50

Online Giving \$ 125.00

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						
April	Altar Server	Communion Minister	Usher	Lector	Greeter /Hospitality	Gift Bearer
7 p.m. Holy Thursday	Jenna Obert Jonah Obert	Kristin Obert Stacy Clark Robin Mowen	Randy Maas Dave Obert John Zanger	Jeff Obert	John & Stacy Clark	Randy & Laura Maas
Easter SUNDAY 7:30 a.m.	Kruz Klauser Karlee Obert	Vickie Cramsey Nancy Obert	Barb Obert Ron Cramsey Mike Hummel	Mark Heidbreder	Mark & Carol Heidbreder	Lance, Renee & Family

ST. JOSEPH CHURCH						
April	Altar Server	Communion Minister	Usher	Lector	Greeter /Hospitality	Gift Bearer
7 p.m. Good Friday	James Bockhold Caleb Bockhold	Barb Frese Jolinn Tripp Brenda Siebers	Ted Mast Kenny Mast	Dan Frese Ben Hugenberg		Mast Family
Easter SUNDAY 9:00 a.m.	Luke Bockhold Makayla Drebes	Greg White Krista White Jeanne Cramsey	Kevin Walker Kenny Mock	Stan Frese		Walker/Mock Families

ST. EDWARD CHURCH						
April	Altar Server	Communion Minister	Rosary	Lector	Greeter /Hospitality	Gift Bearer
8 p.m. Easter Vigil	Alivia Felde Allie Felde Austin Frese	Susan York Connie Bealor Paul Bealor	Donna Voss	Rita Blickhan Klusmeyers	Judy Heming	Philip & Lori Hildebrand
SUNDAY 10:30 a.m.	Liam Logan Abram Mealiff Croix Mealiff	Lindsey Cornwell Tracy Cornwell Phil Hildebrand Jr.	Susan York	Austin Cornwell	Phil & Lori Hildebrand	Joe Hoeing Family

* Please continue passing the basket for collection.

Stewardship Reflection

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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"As they were marching out, they came upon a man of Cyrene, Simon by name; this man they pressed into service to carry his cross." MATTHEW 27:32
The Lord calls us to love God and to love our neighbor. Every day we are presented with opportunities to love our neighbor and help him "carry his cross." These opportunities aren't usually big events, they are usually ordinary occurrences like helping someone carry their groceries or holding the door open for them. The key is putting the other person's needs before our own and not expecting anything in return.

Please Remember to Pray For:

Daran Knuffman	Ben Venvertloh	Lisa Bohan
Zoey Obert	Ripken Rangel	Rinley Barry
Julia Winfield	Tony Peters	Bill Hilgenbrinck
Haddlei Burnett	Joy Huebotter	Lily Jean Roberts
Jim Steinkamp	Raleigh Bess	Sandra White
Kayle Sheely	Karen Woodworth	Dorothy Mayfield
John Kroner	Doug Woodworth	Phil Freiburg
Marvin Meyer	Ryan Wiemelt	Jim Brinkman
Carl Schisler	Bernice Dittmer	Bennett
Rachel Cramsey	Joann Walton	Duesterahus
Denny Meyer	Kent Hilgenbrinck	Bill Ervin
Rosie Miller	Clayton Thompson	Sophie Shriver
Joe Rice	Jim Wilson	Kristy Bollin
Monica Mast	Connie Dietrich	Carol Haistings
	Corey Sheurman	

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

Area-Wide Penance Service

You are invited to participate in the **Quincy area-wide Penance service on Sunday, March 29 at 2:00 p.m. at Blessed Sacrament church, 1119 S 7th St, Quincy.** Priests from all the Quincy parishes will be available to hear confessions. This is a great opportunity to experience the graces of the sacrament of Penance to prepare ourselves to reverently observe the solemn liturgies of Holy Week and joyfully celebrate the resurrection of our Lord at Easter.

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!

QCES Mass Attendance Cards

Mass attendance cards are available at the back of church.

Project Rachel

Help for women and men to heal from the pain of abortion. For assistance call 1-877-RACHEL-5.

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.

“Healing” Rosary

Please join us in praying a “Healing” Rosary for all parishioners, family members and friends combating any illnesses at this time. It will be held Tuesday, April 7, 2026 at 6:30 p.m. at St. Joseph’s Church. Bring family members and friends. All are welcome!



Baptism

Eleanora Anne Obert,
Daughter of Levi & Gracie Obert

Worldwide Marriage Encounter

Worldwide Marriage Encounter presents weekend experiences for married couples to rekindle romance, enhance meaningful communication, and deepen and renew commitment. Sign-up now! For more information or to apply, go to wwme.org or call Terry & Eric Engholm at 314-649-7317.

Next ones:

4/17/2026 – 4/19/2026, St. Peters, MO

6/12/2026 – 6/14/2026, St. Peters, MO

Bulletin Deadline

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

Diocese Special Collections

Holy Land Collection— April 3

Each year, the Holy Father asks every Catholic parish around the world to take up a collection on Good Friday to keep a Christian presence in the Holy Land.

This year, help is needed more than ever. The Holy Land Collection supports the work of the Franciscans in the sacred shrines, ministers to the parishes, provides information and education in communities and schools, and cares for the basic needs of people in the Holy Land.

During such a difficult time, where we must rebuild not only buildings but so many broken lives, your promotion of this important collection is essential.

Seminarian Collection— April 5

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 12 seminarians. You can take a personal role in their formation with a generous gift in the special Easter collection.

Catholic Relief Services Rice Bowl Collection – April 5

Don't forget to return your Rice Bowls on Easter Sunday.

St. Edward PSR Live Stations of the Cross



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



DATES TO KNOW

- April 1 – NO PSR for St. Brigid
- April 5 – Easter Sunday – NO PSR
- April 7 – St. Edward 3rd Graders Parent/Sponsor/Child meeting 6-7 p.m.
- May 2 – St. Edward 3rd Graders First Communion/Confirmation at the Cathedral in Springfield, IL

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. 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!

The next retreat weekend: May 8-9, 2026

Holy Week

Did you know that this week is the most important one in the whole year? Holy Week has Holy Thursday, Good Friday and Holy Saturday. On these days we remember and celebrate the most important things that Jesus did before His resurrection on Easter Sunday.

On Holy Thursday Jesus said the first Mass and made his apostles the first priests. Go to Mass on Thursday if you can, and think about what Jesus did- He made bread and wine into Himself so that He could still be with us after He went back into Heaven.

On Good Friday Jesus suffered terribly and then died on the cross because of our sins. He offered up His life, even though He had never sinned, so that all of us could go to Heaven. That's why we call it "Good" Friday. Can you offer some sacrifice to Jesus in return for what He did for you?

On Holy Saturday Jesus' body was in the tomb. His friends were all shocked by what had happened and were afraid and sad. They did not remember what was going to happen next... Do you remember what happened after Holy Saturday?



Palm Sunday



ON PALM SUNDAY EVERYBODY CHEERED FOR JESUS, BUT A FEW DAYS LATER THEY SHOUTED AT HIM AS HE WAS LED TO HIS DEATH. WE MUST BE FAITHFUL TO JESUS WHEN IT'S EASY AND EVERYONE AROUND US IS, AND WE MUST ALSO BE FAITHFUL WHEN IT'S REALLY HARD AND EVERYONE ELSE IS AGAINST HIM.

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