

# St. Brigid—St. Joseph—St. Edward Catholic Churches

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## 2nd Sunday in Ordinary Time



### TRI-PARISH MASS SCHEDULE

**Saturday:** 4:30 pm—St. Brigid

**Sunday:** 7:30 am—St. Brigid

9:00 am—St. Joseph

10:30 am—St. Edward

**Monday:** 6:30 pm—St. Brigid

**Tuesday:** 8:00 am—St. Edward

**Wednesday:** 8:00 am—St. Joseph

**Friday:** 8:00 am—St. Brigid

**First Friday ONLY:** 8:00 am—St. Edward w/ Adoration to follow

### SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

**Saturday:** 3:45 pm—4:15 pm @ St. Brigid

**Tuesday:** 7:15 am—7:45 am @ St. Edward

**Wednesday:** 7:15 am—7:45 am @ St. Joseph

**PARISH WEBSITE:** [stsbrigidedwardjoseph.weebly.com](http://stsbrigidedwardjoseph.weebly.com)

#### **Pastor**

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Tues.—Thurs. 8am to 4 pm

Friday until 2 pm

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Mon.—Thurs. 7:30 am—3:30 pm

#### 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**

P.O. Box 228

Liberty, IL 62347

#### **Emergency, priest needed:**

217-645-3546

## **Calendar**

### **Saturday, January 13**

3:45 pm—4:15 pm Reconciliation @ St. Brigid

4:30 pm Mass @ St. Brigid

### **Sunday, January 14**

7:30 am Mass @St. Brigid

9:00 am Mass @ St. Joseph

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

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

10:30 am Mass @ St. Edward

\*Christmas Decorations take down following Mass

### **Monday, January 15**

6:30 pm Mass @St. Brigid

7:00 pm—RCIA @ St. Brigid

### **Tuesday, January 16**

7:15 am—7:45 am Reconciliation @ St. Edward

8:00 am Mass @ St. Edward

### **Wednesday, January 17**

7:15 am—7:45 am Reconciliation @ St. Joseph

8:00 am Mass @ St. Joseph

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

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

### **Friday, January 19**

8:00 am Mass @ St. Brigid

### **Saturday, January 20**

3:45 pm—4:15 pm Reconciliation @ St. Brigid

4:30 pm Mass @ St. Brigid

### **Sunday, January 21**

7:30 am Mass @St. Brigid

9:00 am Mass @ St. Joseph

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

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

10:30 am Mass @ St. Edward

### **Monday, January 22**

6:30 pm Mass @St. Brigid

7:00 pm—RCIA @ St. Brigid

### **Tuesday, January 23**

7:15 am—7:45 am Reconciliation @ St. Edward

8:00 am Mass @ St. Edward

7:00 pm—Parish/Finance Meeting @ St. Joseph

### **Wednesday, January 24**

7:15 am—7:45 am Reconciliation @ St. Joseph

8:00 am Mass @ St. Joseph

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

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

### **Friday, January 26**

8:00 am Mass @ St. Brigid

## **Pastor's Letter**

Dear Church Family,

In our second reading for today, St. Paul reminds us that we all have a calling from God to serve him and witness to his goodness and love with all that we are including our bodies. Sometimes, though, it's hard for us to know what it is that God wants us to do. We have sacred Scripture and the teaching of the church to show us how to live a holy life. That's where we start. But God also has a particular calling for each of us to a particular ministry and role in the household of God. How do we discover that?

In both our first reading and our Gospel we have examples of experienced followers of the Lord helping new disciples learn how to listen to God. Eli in our first reading helps the young Samuel recognize and respond to God's call. John the Baptist points out Jesus as the Messiah they have been looking for to two of his followers. For generations the faith has been handed down in this way.

This is one of the reasons that Jesus established his church. We are here to help each other and encourage each other by sharing our own experience and passing on the wisdom that has been shared with us by previous generations. The normal way of being Christian is being part of a community. Even though each of us is called and loved by name as individuals, we all need the support of the family of God.

Without that support it is much easier for us to lose our way. Without accountability to others, it's easier for us to give in to temptation. Without encouragement we might give up in despair. Without others to challenge us to be better, we might get too comfortable with where we are and stop growing in faith, hope and love. And without the wisdom of our spiritual elders, we will make mistakes that we could have avoided.

Take a moment to think about the people in your life who have been good examples to you of how to live the Christian life. Thank God for them. May God bless all those saints, official and unofficial, who have helped set us on the path to following Christ and helped us learn to listen for his voice. And may we be a blessing to others by passing on the faith that we have received.

Blessings,

Fr. Scott

## **Mass Intentions**

**SAT. JAN. 13**

4:30 pm—St. Brigid: *Loren & Helen Welch*

**SUN. JAN. 14—2ND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIMES**

7:30 am—St. Brigid: *Michael Yolk*

9:00 am—St. Joseph: *Jack & Irene Bunte*

10:30 am—St. Edward: *Don Dittmer*

**MON. JAN. 15**

6:30 pm—St. Brigid: *Shirley Schwartz*

**TUES. JAN. 16**

8:00 am—St. Edward: *Greg Howe*

**WED. JAN. 17**

8:00 am—St. Joseph: *Pricilla Morrison*

**FRI. JAN. 19**

8:00 am—St. Brigid: *Lawrence Schwartz*

## **Parish Support: Dec. 25**

St. Brigid \$ 13,121.00

St. Edward \$ 3,887.00

St. Joseph \$ 3,008.00

*Thank you for your generous support!*

## **Parish Support: Jan. 7**

St. Brigid \$ 4,270.00

St. Edward \$ 1,813.00

St. Joseph \$ 2,813.00

*Thank you for your generous support!*

## **Please Remember to Pray For:**

Daran Knuffman	Connie Boling	Elizabeth Leonard
Kris Mast	Rachel Cramsey	Ben Venvertlo
Zoey Obert	Margie Steinkamp	Ripken Rangel
Jennifer Neise	Ginny Brinkman	Marilyn Obert
Julia Winfield	Travis Irvin	Bernice Mowen
Haddlei Burnett	Denny Meyer	Leon Lentz
Jim Steinkamp	Rosie Miller	Jim Wilson
Kayle Sheely	Joe Rice	Maurie Koch
Darren Neisen	Linda Windoffer	Tony Peters
John Kroner	Monica Mast	Joy Huebotter
Marvin Meyer	Bonnie Johnson	
Carl Schisler,	Leo Bauer	

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.**

## **Rest in Peace**

Please pray for the souls of Ronald Zanger, Robert Richmiller and Jane Obert, who died recently. Eternal rest, grant unto them, O Lord.



## **Baptisms**

Madelyn Schaffer,  
Daughter of Dan & Emily Schaffer

## **Diocese Special Collections**

*Catholic Times—Jan. 8*—see your packet of envelopes

**Catholic Times** has always been a key communication tool for our diocese. Whether it is important announcements, teaching the faith, or inspirational stories, the magazine provides tremendous value to readers. That was apparent this past year with a special edition highlighting the rich history of our diocese when we celebrated the 100th anniversary of the transfer of the See city from Alton to Springfield and a special edition that captured the historical Eucharistic Congress in Springfield.

Thanks again for your continued generosity.

*Church in Latin America—Jan. 22*

Bishop's letter in last weeks bulletin

## **2023 Contribution Statements**

It is time for us to send out your annual contribution statement for your tax purposes. If you have received them in the past, we will be sending them to you in January. If you have not requested in the past, please let the offices know you would like one.

## **Adoration for Priests**

There will be an hour of Adoration for Priests followed by Benediction at St. Peter Church, 2600 Maine St. in Quincy on January 21, 2024 from 3:00 to 4:00 P.M. all are invited to come and pray for your priests.

## **Save the Date**

Quincy Catholic Charities Fundraiser, April 6<sup>th</sup>.  
Additional details coming soon!

## Bulletin Deadline

All information must be submitted by noon on Tuesday. Submit to:

[stjoe@adams.net](mailto:stjoe@adams.net) or [churchbej@gmail.com](mailto:churchbej@gmail.com)



## PSR News!

The fifth graders will be taking their ACRE assessments over the next few weeks during PSR. These are diocese required tests that help us have a better understanding about your child's understanding of the Catholic faith and of their personal relationship with the church.

## High School Seniors College Scholarship Opportunity

The Newman Society's annual Essay Scholarship Contest rewards a U.S. high school senior with a one-time \$5,000 scholarship toward the cost of attending one of the colleges recommended in The Newman Guide. To be eligible, a student must sign up for Recruit Me, a program that invites Newman Guide colleges to compete for promising candidates.

For more info:

<https://cardinalnewmansociety.org/newman-guide-colleges-increase-recruit-me-scholarship-to-20000/>

## St. Joseph Annual Shrimp Boil

Saturday, February 10th, Mass will once again be at 4PM with the feast following ALL YOU CAN EAT SHRIMP BOIL AND FISH FRY.

Shrimp/Fish/Andouille Sausage/Corn on the Cob/French Fries/Potatoes/Corn Dogs/Onion Rings/ and MORE.

## 50th Wedding Anniversary

Congratulation to Nancy and Kent Crow, celebrating 50 years of marriage.

## Donuts Social

Thank you to the Ladies Altar Society and all that were able to attend the Donut Social at St. Joseph, it was a great gathering!

Mark your calendars for our next one on February 4 after mass.

## St. Edward Annual Whole Hog Sausage & Pancake Day

Sunday, February 11th, 8 am—12 pm

ALL YOU CAN EAT SAUSAGE, PANCAKE, & BISCUITS & GRAVY.

More details to come.

## Scout Sunday

BSA had incorrect information on their website! The annual observance for Scout Sunday is February 4, not 11. Scouts who have earned a religious emblem or recognition in 2023 will be honored in the Catholic Times. Please have completed religious award forms submitted by the end of the year for inclusion in the 2023 honors. The order form as well as suggestions on how to celebrate Scout Sunday in your parish is available on the diocesan website at <https://dio.org/scouts/>.



Worldwide Marriage Encounter presents weekend experiences for married couples to rekindle romance, enhance meaningful communication, and deepen and renew commitment. Make a New Years resolution to keep your marriage a priority. Sign-up now as space is limited!

For more information or to apply, go to [wwme.org](http://wwme.org), or call Terry & Eric Engholm at 314-649-7317.

**2/2/2024 - 2/4/2024, St. Peters, MO**

**3/15/2024 - 3/17/2024, Cape Girardeau, MO**

**4/5/2024 - 4/7/2024, St. Peters, MO**

## Men's Cursillo

There will be a men's Cursillo weekend on January 18, 19, 20 & 21 at the Quincy University Retreat Center on North 18<sup>th</sup> Street in Quincy. 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. The Eucharist is celebrated each day. If you would like to take advantage of this opportunity to help you grow and enrich your Catholic faith, there are registration forms in the back of our churches, or if you would like to know more you may contact Tim Bealor after mass at St. Edward, or at 217-316-3333. Hope to see you on the weekend. Tim