

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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Tues.& Thurs. 8 am to 4 pm
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Office Hours

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217-645-3546

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Hospitality—Prayer—Formation—Service

Pastor's Letter

September 27, 2026 – 26th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Dear Church Family,

Talk is cheap. It comes as no surprise, then, when Jesus tells us in our Gospel reading that actually doing the will of God and not just talking about it is the mark of the real Christian. But the parable of the two sons tells us something else about the Christian life as well. In the parable the first Son is asked to go work in the vineyard and initially refuses but then changes his mind and does as the father asks. Even though he is initially rebellious, he comes around to the father's way of thinking. And that is what matters.

Each and every one of us is on a journey of becoming the people God wants us to be. Being open to change is essential to making this journey successfully. Change isn't always easy. Neither is learning to trust. But God asks us to do both. St. Paul writes in our second reading, "Brothers and sisters: If there is any encouragement in Christ, any solace in love, any participation in the Spirit, any compassion and mercy, complete my joy by being of the same mind, with the same love, united in heart, thinking one thing. Do nothing out of selfishness or out of vainglory; rather, humbly regard others as more important than yourselves, each looking out not for his own interests, but also for those of others." That is not the way we are used to doing things.

We are used to living in competition with each other, putting ourselves first, taking care of number one. When we hear God tell us to put others first, our immediate reaction might be to get defensive. We might pull back and say, "I can't do that." It feels dangerous to care too much about others. But then maybe we remember how Jesus lived for others, how he "did not regard equality with God something to be grasped. Rather, 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." All for us. And then, maybe we take a deep breath, turn back toward God and say, "Ok, Lord, you did it for me, so I'll try to be there for others."

The Christian life is full of this kind of back and forth wrestling with ourselves as we try to grow in the image of Christ. Let's keep striving to do what God wants us to do, even when we want to say no.

Blessings,

Fr. Scott

Journey of Faith begins September 28

Have you ever had questions about the teachings, history, and structure of the Catholic Church? Maybe you are thinking about becoming Catholic, have family or friends who are Catholic, or maybe you are Catholic and want to go deeper in the practice of your faith. Our parishes will once again be offering a class called, "Journey of Faith" starting in September. This is our program for the Order of Christian Initiation for Adults (OCIA). Our OCIA class is for anyone interested in learning about Catholic faith and life. Classes will begin on Monday, September 28 at 7 p.m. at St. Brigid's in the parish hall. The class will be led by Fr. Scott. This is a great opportunity to go deep into the teachings and practices of the Catholic faith. Bring your questions and join us! For more info contact Fr. Scott.



Calendar

Saturday, September 26

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

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

Sunday, September 27

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

Monday, September 28

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

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

Tuesday, September 29

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

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

Wednesday, September 30

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, October 1 - OFFICE CLOSING AT 2:45 p.m.

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

Friday, October 2 – First Friday

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

Saturday, October 3

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

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

Sunday, October 4

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

Monday, October 5

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

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

Tuesday, October 6

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

6:00 p.m. All 3rd Grade Parent/Sponsor/Child mtg @ St. Joseph

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

Wednesday, October 7

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, October 8 - OFFICE CLOSING AT 2:45 p.m.

6:30 p.m. Altar Society Meeting @ St. Joseph

Friday, October 9

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

Mass Intentions

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 26

4:30 p.m.—St. Brigid: +Bernadine Terstriep

+Dawn Ulry

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 27

7:30 a.m.—St. Brigid: +George Barry

+Marilyn Barry

9:00 a.m.—St. Joseph: +Dale & Rose Mary Zanger

+Bruce Zanger

+Ron Wiewel

10:30 a.m.—St. Edward: For the People of Our Parishes

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 28

6:30 p.m. – St. Brigid: +Kenny & Imogene Barry

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 29

8:00 a.m. – St. Edward: +Jason Kasparie

+Greg Howe

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 30

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

+Lenny Venvertloh

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 2 – FIRST FRIDAY

8:00 a.m. – St. Edward: +Bernice Dittmer

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 3

4:30 p.m.—St. Brigid: For the People of Our Parishes

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 4

7:30 a.m.—St. Brigid: +Beau Avery Barry

+Paul Barry

9:00 a.m.—St. Joseph: +Alice & Edward Dempsey

+Bob & Rosella Neisen

+Nick Dietrich

10:30 a.m.—St. Edward: +Karen & Leona Shaffer

Parish Collection: September 20

St. Brigid \$ 4,124.00

Online Giving \$ 470.44

St. Edward \$ 2,494.71

Online Giving \$ 100.00

St. Joseph \$ 5,976.00

Online Giving \$ 280.00

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.

QCES Mass Attendance Cards

Mass attendance cards are available at the back of church.

Ministry Schedules

ST. BRIGID CHURCH						
October 3 & 4	Altar Server	Communion Minister	Usher	Lector	Greeter /Hospitality	Gift Bearer
SATURDAY 4:30 p.m.	Owen Potter Grace Potter	Katie Ippensen Robin Mowen Norma Neisen	Ron Barry Mara Ippensen Laura Maas	Angela Obert	Jeff & Jody Obert	Theresa Neisen
SUNDAY 7:30 a.m.	Need Mason Hocking	Brandy Hocking Dot Smith	Michael Obert Barb Obert Ron Cramsey	Greg Obert	Michael & Barb Obert	Glen & Sara Obert

ST. JOSEPH CHURCH						
October 4	Altar Server	Communion Minister	Usher	Lector	Greeter /Hospitality	Gift Bearer
SUNDAY 9:00 a.m.	Asher Mock Riggins Mock. McCoy Mock	Barb Frese Jolinn Tripp Brenda Siebers	Mike Moore Andy Moore	Jolinn Tripp		Moore Family

ST. EDWARD CHURCH						
October 4	Altar Server	Communion Minister	Rosary	Lector	Greeter /Hospitality	Gift Bearer
SUNDAY 10:30 a.m.	Alivia Felde Allie Felde Austin Frese	Susan York Connie Bealor Paul Bealor	Connie Bealor	Julie Logan	Erin Frazier Family	Tom Shaffer Family
* Please continue passing the basket for collection.						

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	Sandra White
Jim Steinkamp	Raleigh Bess	Dorothy Mayfield
Kayle Sheely	Karen Woodworth	Phil Freiburg
John Kroner	Doug Woodworth	Jim Brinkman
Marvin Meyer	Ryan Wiemelt	Bennett Duesterhaus
Carl Schisler	Joann Walton	Bill Ervin
Rachel Cramsey	Kent Hilgenbrinck	Sophie Shriver
Denny Meyer	Mark Thompson	Kristy Bollin
Rosie Miller	Connie Dietrich	Carol Hastings
Joe Rice	Don Sheurman	Sue Rossmiller
Monica Mast	Sandra Kemper	Don Arnold
Stan Obert	Paul Duane Keck	Linda Esminger
	Rich Klauser	Sydney Hastings

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

Stewardship Reflection

"Do nothing out of selfishness; rather, humbly regard others as more important than yourselves..."
Philippians 2:3

Pride and ego are hard things to control. We see how others act or dress and think we are superior to them. We idolize our own self-image. But, if we truly believe everything is a gift from God, we recognize all the people that God has put in our lives as gifts! We are grateful for how they enrich our lives. Pray every day for the people in your life: your family, your friends and those who make you angry.



BINGO & NACHO Night

Over 90 prizes

 All proceeds go to the Catholic Heart Workcamp Mission.

OCT. 17 ST. BRIGID HALL
BINGO STARTS 6:30 PM

BINGO PLAY

\$10 for adults
\$5 per child or
\$20 for family
Play all night

Free Will Offering on Food

Serving food 4:30-7:00

Meal: Beef Nachos
Cheese Nachos
Homemade desserts

St. Edward - Mendon, IL

TURKEY DINNER

Sunday, October 25

11 A.M. - 1:30 P.M.

ADULTS - \$ 15

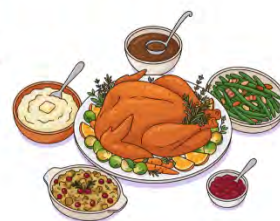
CHILDREN 10 & UNDER - \$12

CARRY-OUTS AVAILABLE - \$15



MASS TIME: 9:30 A.M.

Join us for a
Homemade Meal!



CHWC

The Catholic Heart Workcamp group has been busy raising funds to help pay for next summer's trip. They made lemon shakeups at the Adams-Brown Old Settlers picnic and manned games for the Liberty Fall Festival. They've also been blessed with a \$1,000 anonymous donation!



Catholic Heart Work Camp

Who is ready to join us next summer for an epic adventure at Catholic Heart Workcamp? We have chosen to serve in Waterloo, Iowa from June 13 to 18. On June 12 we will spend a fun day at Lost Island Theme Park and Waterpark and some team building time at a hotel. You must be signed up by September 28 as the camps fill quickly. Call or message Jeanne Cramsey at 217-653-3962 to reserve your spot.

Safe Environment Checks

Mitchell will be reaching out to update any volunteer profiles for the background and DCFS checks. This program helps to ensure the safety of our children and parish assets. These are needed especially if you are a PSR teacher or an adult planning to go on the Catholic Heart Workcamp Mission Trip.

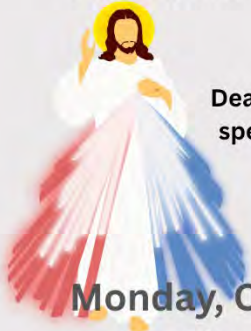
Bulletin Deadline

All information must be submitted by noon on Tuesday.

Submit to: church@stsbej.org

Save the Date

"The Gift of Divine Mercy"



Deacon Dennis Holbrook will be speaking on "The Gift of Divine Mercy".
All are welcome.

Monday, October 26 @ 6 pm
St. Thomas Parish Hall
Camp Point, IL

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TUESDAY OCTOBER 6, 2026

WHAT IS HAPPENING TO OUR COMMON HOME

A Theological Review

Speaker: Fr. Ken Ahanonu

Doors open: 5.30pm

Presentation: 6.35pm



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OFFICE OF THE BISHOP

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

Saint Paul reminds us, "As a body is one though it has many parts ... so also Christ" (1 Cor 12:12). This weekend, our diocese participates in the Black and Indian Mission Collection, established by the bishops of the United States in 1884 to support the Church's missionary work among African American and Native American Catholics. Today, the collection supports evangelization and pastoral ministry among African American, Native American, and Alaska Native communities throughout our country.

The Black and Indian Mission Office describes this work as guided by the "missionary spirit of Saint Katharine Drexel." Saint Katharine's profound devotion to the Eucharist moved her to action. She founded the Sisters of the Blessed Sacrament and devoted her life and considerable resources to establishing Catholic schools and missions. She knew that proclaiming Jesus Christ requires more than words. It requires forming disciples, teaching the faith, sustaining Catholic communities, and bringing people to Christ through the sacraments.

That mission continues today. Your gifts support Catholic schools and religious education, strengthen parishes, form catechists and evangelizers, and foster vocations to the priesthood and religious life.

I ask you to prayerfully consider supporting this collection. Following the example of Saint Katharine Drexel, may we generously help build up the Body of Christ and proclaim the Gospel to all nations.

Thank you for your generous support. May God bless you abundantly.

Sincerely yours in Christ,

+ Thomas John Paprocki

Most Reverend Thomas John Paprocki Bishop of
Springfield in Illinois

St. Anthony Fall Craft Show

St. Anthony Ladies Society Fall Craft Show will be held on Saturday, October 3, 9 a.m.- 2 p.m.

We do have space for a few more vendors. If interested please contact Janet Bick at 217-430-7256 or rjbick@comcast.net or Tawny Benz at 217-257-0847 or rtbenz77@gmail.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.

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



- October 6 – ALL 3rd grade Parent/Sponsor/Child mtg at St. Joseph Church 6-7 p.m.
- October 25 – NO PSR for St. Edward

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

Changing Your Mind

In today's Gospel reading, Our Lord tells the parable of the two sons whose father asked them to help in the vineyard. The first son told his father he wouldn't help, but then he changed his mind and did what he was asked. The second son said he would help, but he didn't.

In the end it doesn't matter so much if we say we are going to do what's right. What is important is that we do it. We call ourselves Christians because we believe in Jesus and the Church He gave us, but we only really are being Christians if we do what He says.



I should have done my homework... I'll do it now.



Sometimes we decide not to obey God. But if we are sorry afterwards and do what is right, God will not look at the bad things we did. On the other hand, if we do good things and then change to doing bad things, then we have decided to turn away from God, and we will be punished for our sins.

Saint Jerome September 30

JEROME LIVED IN THE MID 300'S. WHEN HE GREW UP HE LIVED IN ROME. AT FIRST HE JUST HAD FUN, BUT THEN HE DECIDED TO GET BAPTIZED.

What's the point of all this?

JEROME STUDIED HARD. HE LEARNED LATIN AND GREEK AND STUDIED THE BIBLE.

THEN HE MOVED TO THE DESERT, WHERE HE STUDIED MORE.

The virgin Mary is the true mother of God, the angel Gabriel said, she would be the most of the most High. This gave us no question.

THERE HE WROTE AGAINST HERESIES OF THAT TIME.

JEROME HAD A SHORT TEMPER, AND OFTEN MADE SHARP REMARKS.

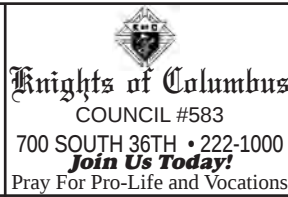
You'd be better off if you'd think as much as you talk!

HE BECAME A PRIEST AND WORKED FOR THE POPE, TRANSLATING THE BIBLE INTO THEIR LANGUAGE, LATIN.

A RICH LADY, PAULA, GAVE ST. JEROME MONEY TO BUILD SOME MONASTERIES IN THE HOLY LAND. SHE AND HER DAUGHTERS BECAME NUNS THERE.

This room will be for the study of Scriptures.

SAINT JEROME DIED AS AN OLD MAN. HE IS CONSIDERED A DOCTOR OF THE CHURCH BECAUSE HE DID SO MUCH TO HELP PEOPLE TO UNDERSTAND THE TRUTH ABOUT GOD. WE CAN LEARN FROM ST. JEROME THE IMPORTANCE OF THE BIBLE. TRY TO READ A BIT OF THE BIBLE EVERY DAY.

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