

# 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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#### Location of Our Parishes

##### **St. Brigid Catholic Church**

706 N. Main St.  
Liberty, IL 62347

##### **Office Hours**

Tues. & Thurs. 8 am to 4 pm  
Wednesday by appointment  
Friday until Noon  
217-645-3444

##### **St. Joseph Catholic Church**

1435 E. 1500th St.  
Quincy, IL 62305

##### **Office Hours**

Wednesday 8am to 4 pm  
217-434-8442

##### **St. Edward Catholic Church**

214 South State Road  
Mendon, IL 62351

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# Pastor's Letter

April 27, 2025—2nd Sunday of Easter

Dear Church Family,

What does it mean to be a believer? Is it enough just to say, “I agree with what Jesus said.” or even, “I think that Jesus really was the Son of God?” Believing in the biblical, Christian sense is more than that. Christian faith is not just about believing something about God, it’s also believing in God. Believing something about God is just a mind game. Believing in God means trusting him with our whole lives. It means giving ourselves over to his care and protection. It means going where he sends us, following where he leads us, even if it looks risky or we can’t see how things might turn out. In our first lesson for today from the Acts of the Apostles we read, “Many signs and wonders were done among the people at the hands of the apostles. They were all together in Solomon’s portico. None of the others dared to join them, but the people esteemed them.” These others were not yet mature disciples, ready to put themselves on the line with the Apostles. But there were many who saw the works of God done by the Twelve and answered his called to discipleship.

Faith is not easy. It’s getting harder and harder for Christians to “blend in” with the crowd because faith is not just a private opinion or a personal hobby. Christ’s call to discipleship forces us to stand up to evil in this world and stand out from the crowd by our radical love for God and neighbor. That can get you into trouble. Just ask John exiled to the island of Patmos, or Thomas, who after his encounter with the risen Lord took the gospel all the way to India and died there for it. The faith has come down to us because throughout history there have been those who looked at Jesus, resurrected from the dead, and what he did and said and found in him not just interesting ideas, but an opportunity to resurrect their own lives, to rise above their own weakness, and live at a higher level.

With the death of our Holy Father, Pope Francis, the church enters a period of transition, of a certain amount of uncertainty. The faith that we have received teaches us, however that God continues to guide us and will give us another shepherd who will continue the work of bringing the good news to the world. May God give us the courage to entrust ourselves to him, to follow him, to believe.

Blessings,

Fr. Scott



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## Divine Mercy | Trailer

Renowned speaker and author Fr. Michael Gaitley tells the dramatic history of God's love and mercy as interwoven through the transformative message of St. Faustina, the miraculous appearance of Mary at Fatima, the witness of Maximilian Kolbe, and the world-changing papacy of Pope St. John Paul II.

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## Calendar

### Saturday, April 26

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

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

### Sunday, April 27

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

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

9:15 a.m.—10:15 a.m. PSR (5-8) @ St. Edward

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

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

### Monday, April 28

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

7:00 p.m. Journey of Faith (OCIA) @ St. Brigid

### Tuesday, April 29

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

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

### Wednesday, April 30

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, May 1

7:00 p.m. Holy Name Mtg @ St. Joseph

### Friday, May 2—FIRST FRIDAY

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

### Saturday, May 3

Wedding @ St. Joseph

Wedding @ St. Brigid

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

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

### Sunday, May 4

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

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

9:15 a.m.—10:15 a.m. PSR (5-8) @ St. Edward

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

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

### Monday, May 5

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

7:00 p.m. Journey of Faith (OCIA) @ St. Brigid

### Tuesday, May 6

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

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

### Wednesday, May 7

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, May 8

7:00 p.m. Altar Society Mtg @ St. Joseph

### Friday, May 9

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

## Mass Intentions

### SATURDAY, APRIL 26

4:30 p.m.—St. Brigid: +Glenn & Mary Ann Loose  
+Jackie Taylor

### SUNDAY, APRIL 27

7:30 a.m.—St. Brigid: +Paul Barry

+Yvonne Arnold

+Rita Knuffman

9:00 a.m.—St. Joseph: *For the People of Our Parishes*

10:30 a.m.—St. Edward: +John Frese

+John Blickhan

+Martha Koetters

### MONDAY, APRIL 28

6:30 p.m.—St. Brigid: +Roger Hummel

+Jim & Mary Powell

### TUESDAY, APRIL 29

8:00 a.m.—St. Edward: +Bill Binger

+Ronnie Duesterhaus

### WEDNESDAY, APRIL 30

8:00 a.m.—St. Joseph: +Rose Mary Howell

+Kenneth Neisen

### FRIDAY, MAY 2—FIRST FRIDAY

8:00 p.m.—St. Edward: +John Blickhan

+Nancy Veile

### SATURDAY, MAY 3

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

### SUNDAY, MAY 4

7:30 a.m.—St. Brigid: +Rose Mary Howell

+Alan Hildebrand

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

+Arlene Goehl

+Mabel Ohnemus

+Jeannette Knapp

10:30 a.m.—St. Edward: +John, Andrew, & Valerie Frese

## **Parish Collection: April 20**

St. Brigid \$ 6,607.50

St. Edward \$ 3,270.00

St. Joseph \$ 4,629.25

***Thank you for your generous support!***

*All Collections included in total this week*

## **Rest in Peace**

Please pray for the repose of the soul of  
Anna Mae Hoebing, who died recently.

Eternal rest, grant unto her, O Lord.



## St. Joseph PSR Breakfast

To celebrate the end of another faith filled PSR program, we invite you and your family for a parish breakfast on May 4 right after mass. We are serving pancakes and sausage and breakfast casseroles. Look for the sign up sheets at both entrances to the church. Presented and served by the Holy Name Men and Altar Society Ladies.

## TEC (Teens Encounter Christ!)

In the three-day weekend of TEC, you can experience being part of a vibrant, loving, and supportive faith community in which the friendship of Jesus Christ becomes a real possibility that makes sense. For more information go to [greatrivertec.org](http://greatrivertec.org)

TEC weekends are held at the Franciscan Retreat Center of Quincy University, 18th & Seminary Road, Quincy, IL 62301. The weekend begins Saturday morning at 9:30 a.m. and ends Monday evening 6:00-6:30 p.m. Candidates ages 16-21 --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!

**Other TEC Dates for 2025: June 14-16**

## Mother & Daughter Banquet

Please join us for our special Mother & Daughter Event!

Wednesday, May 21st at 6:00 p.m.

Saint Brigid Catholic Church Hall

A meal will be provided!

Please rsvp to Renee @ 217.440.8417

We hope you can join us!

Free will offering event



**One Day Marriage Enrichment Retreat** – Attend a Worldwide Marriage Encounter experience that will enrich couples' understanding of the spirituality of marriage and introduce them to a personal couple prayer they can continue at home. This one-day marriage enrichment retreat entitled, "God Chose You for Me," is an experience designed to deepen the spiritual connection between married couples. Dates and locations for this special enrichment in 2025 include:

- Saturday, May 10 – Cardinal Rigali Center in St. Louis, MO
- Saturday, August 16 – Sacred Heart Parish in Valley Park, MO
- Saturday, September 20 – St. Nicholas Parish in O'Fallon, IL



## 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 every month.

Thank You for your generosity!

This special one-day enrichment is sponsored by Worldwide Marriage Encounter. To register, go to: [stl-wwme.org/communitynews.php](http://stl-wwme.org/communitynews.php)

# Ministry Schedules

ST. BRIGID CHURCH						
May 3 & 4	Altar Server	Communion Minister	Usher	Lector	Greeter /Hospitality	Gift Bearer
<b>SATURDAY 4:30 p.m.</b>	Kade Klauser Jenna Obert Jonah Obert	Theresa Neisen Angela Obert Stacy Clark	Laura Maas Randy Maas Dave Obert	John Clark	Dan Kramer	Jerry & Pam Totsch
<b>SUNDAY 7:30 a.m.</b>	Kooper Powell Ryleigh Powell	Nancy Obert Dot Smith	Kyle Leonard Justin Mewes Lucy Mewes	Justin Mewes	Greg & Nancy Obert	Gene & Lori Klauser

ST. JOSEPH CHURCH						
May 4	Altar Server	Communion Minister	Usher	Lector	Greeter /Hospitality	Gift Bearer
<b>SUNDAY 9:00 a.m.</b>	Isabella Neisen Quinn Luaders Jack Luaders	T. Mast Pat Genenbacher Billie Huebotter	Dan Mock Paul Mock	Dennis Neisen		Mock Families

ST. EDWARD CHURCH						
May 4	Altar Server	Communion Minister	Rosary	Lector	Greeter /Hospitality	Gift Bearer
<b>SUNDAY 10:30 a.m.</b>	Liam Logan Danika Shaffer Olivia Shaffer	Karen Woodworth Susan York Connie Bealor	Connie Bealor	Jennifer Knox	Frazier Family	Tyler Shaffer Family

\* Please continue passing the basket for collection.

## Please Remember to Pray For:

Daran Knuffman	Joe Rice	Ryan Wiemelt
Zoey Obert	Linda Windoffer	Scottie Bastert
Julia Winfield	Monica Mast	Bernice Dittmer
Haddlei Burnett	Bonnie Johnson	Joann Walton
Jim Steinkamp	Elizabeth Leonard	Kent Hilgenbrinck
Kayle Sheely	Ben Venvertloh	Jim Wilson
John Kroner	Ripken Rangel	Connie Dietrich
Marvin Meyer	Maurie Koch	Virginia Berhorst
Carl Schisler	Tony Peters	Corey Sheurman
Rachel Cramsey	Joy Huebotter	Lisa Bohan
Ginny Brinkman	Raleigh Bess	Rinley Barry
Denny Meyer	Karen Woodworth	
Rosie Miller	Doug Woodworth	

## Stewardship Reflection

“Jesus said to them again, ‘Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, so I send you.’” (John 20:21)

Peace – the first gift of the risen Lord. Just as Jesus sent the apostles out into the world, so too, He sends us. As disciples of Jesus, we are called to be compassionate and merciful; and not with just those who are our friends, but also with our “enemies.” Think of someone in your life who you need to reconcile with. Call them right now or better yet, go visit them.

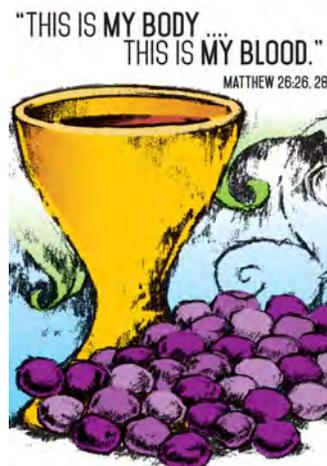
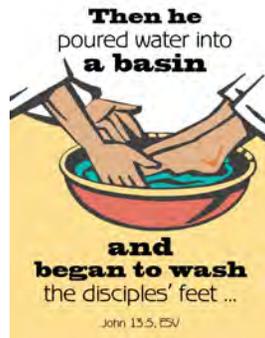
Please contact us if we need to remove your name from our prayer list.

# ST. BRIGID – ST. EDWARD – ST. JOSEPH PARISH SCHOOL OF RELIGION (PSR)



## St. Edward

St. Edwards K-4 PSR celebrated Holy Week with a Seder Meal and Washing of the Feet! Jesus is the Fourth Cup!



# ST. BRIGID – ST. EDWARD – ST. JOSEPH PARISH SCHOOL OF RELIGION (PSR)



## Divine Mercy

In today's Gospel we hear about the first time that Jesus came to the Apostles after He rose from the dead. He breathed on them and told them that they had the power to forgive sins. Jesus had just given us the Sacrament of Confession- now a priest could take God's place to hear our sins and tell us that we are forgiven.

Today, the second Sunday of Easter, is also the feast of Divine Mercy. Mercy means being treated well even though we don't deserve it. God is so merciful that He wants to forgive ALL our sins, no matter how bad. All we have to do is be sorry and go to Confession.

God's Divine Mercy is so great that even the worst sinner in the world can be saved from Hell if he asks for it. But even our little sins hurt Jesus, so we need to ask God for mercy too. Don't ever imagine that God can't forgive you when you are sorry- remember, Jesus died on the cross so that you would be able to go to Heaven!

*Jesus, I Trust in You!*

## Saint Louis Marie de Montfort

April 28

LOUIS MARIE GRIGNON WAS BORN TO A LARGE FAMILY IN MONTFORT, FRANCE, IN 1673. HE WAS A VERY GOOD STUDENT AND VISITED THE CHURCH OFTEN.

LOUIS GAVE ALL HE HAD TO THE POOR, WENT TO THE SEMINARY, AND BECAME A PRIEST AT AGE 27.

FR. LOUIS TRAVELLED AROUND, PREACHING. MIRACLES BEGAN TO HAPPEN...  
Nothing ever grew in that field before!

Jesus did not come to earth to leave us in our sins...  
MANY PEOPLE CONVERTED FROM THEIR WRONG BELIEFS.

ST. LOUIS LOVED OUR LADY AND WROTE BOOKS THAT ARE VERY WELL KNOWN, EVEN TODAY!  
True Devotion to Mary...

ST. LOUIS SUFFERED MUCH, HE WAS CHASED OUT OF MANY PLACES, MADE FUN OF, AND LIED ABOUT.  
Kill Montfort!  
Get rid of him!

There's something in this...  
HIS ENEMIES POISONED HIS BROTH AND HE DRANK SOME BEFORE HE REALIZED IT WAS POISONED. HE DIDN'T DIE RIGHT AWAY, BUT WORKED FOR A FEW MORE YEARS.  
What's wrong, Father?

SAINT LOUIS DIED WHEN HE WAS 43 YEARS OLD. HE HAD WORKED VERY HARD TO HELP EVERYONE TO TURN TO GOD. WHAT DO YOU THINK HE TOLD THE PEOPLE WAS THE BEST WAY TO GROW CLOSE TO GOD? THROUGH MARY! NOBODY WAS EVER CLOSER TO GOD THAN MARY WAS. TALK TO MARY TODAY!



## Littlest Saints



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