## 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

#### **Pastor**

Fr. Scott Snider

#### **Senior Priest**

Fr. Lou Schlangen

#### Secretaries, St. Brigid Office

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Mon.—Thurs. 7:30 a.m.—3:30 p.m.

#### **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

PARISH WEBSITE: stsbej.org

# Pastor's Letter

#### February 18, 2024—1st Sunday of Lent

Dear Church Family,

The part of the church where the pews are, where all the people sit, is called the nave. This word comes from the Latin word for ship. The connection between a church nave and a ship is more apparent in traditional church architecture where the building is long and narrow and has a vaulted ceiling that kind of looks like an upside-down boat, like at our own St. Joseph's church. The connection of the church to ships goes deeper than just appearances, though.

Our first reading is from the story of Noah's ark. God has brought Noah and his family through the waters of the flood which God sent as a punishment for human sinfulness. He did so by commanding Noah to build a ship that would save its passengers, animal and human, so that there could be a new beginning, which starts with God's covenant with Noah to never again destroy all life. As St. Peter reminds us in our second reading, this is a foreshadowing of God's work in Jesus Christ to save us from sin through baptism into our Lord's death and resurrection. He says, "Put to death in the flesh, he was brought to life in the Spirit. In it he also went to preach to the spirits in prison, who had once been disobedient while God patiently waited in the days of Noah during the building of the ark, in which a few persons, eight in all, were saved through water. This prefigured baptism, which saves you now. It is not a removal of dirt from the body but an appeal to God for a clear conscience, through the resurrection of Jesus Christ, who has gone into heaven and is at the right hand of God, with angels, authorities, and powers subject to him."

Christ's church is the ship that brings us through the storm of trials and temptations that we all face in life to the kingdom of God that he proclaimed. It's in the church that the graces of the sacraments come to us and bring healing when we fail and strength to overcome. As we enter the season of Lent, a season in which we confront our weakness and rejoice in God's mercy we do so as a church family gathered and sheltered by our loving heavenly Father. Let's support each other with our prayers and encouragement as we voyage together on this journey of growth in faith, hope and love.

Blessings,

Fr. Scott

#### **Calendar**

#### Saturday, February 17

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

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

7:00 p.m. Trivia Night @ St. Joseph

#### Sunday, February 18

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

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

Stations of the Cross 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, February 19

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

7:00 p.m.—RCIA @ St. Brigid

#### Tuesday, February 20

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

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

#### Wednesday, February 21

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

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

#### Friday, February 23

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

Stations of the Cross to follow Mass @ St. Brigid

7:00 p.m.—Stations of the Cross @ St. Edward

#### Saturday, February 24

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

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

#### Sunday, February 25

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

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

Stations of the Cross 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, February 26

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

7:00 p.m.—RCIA @ St. Brigid

#### **Tuesday, February 27**

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

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

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

#### Wednesday, February 28

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

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

#### Friday, March 1—First Friday

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

7:00 p.m.—Stations of the Cross @ St. Edward

#### **Mass Intentions**

#### **SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 17**

4:30 p.m.—St. Brigid: Alice & Bob Obert

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 18—1ST SUNDAY OF LENT

7:30 a.m.—St. Brigid: Bob Mead

9:00 a.m.—St. Joseph: Jason Ohnemus

10:30 a.m.—St. Edward: Laura Gertrude and

Gerald & Carl Flick

#### **MONDAY, FEBRUARY 19**

6:30 p.m.—St. Brigid: Wayne Warning

**TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 20** 

8:00 a.m.—St. Edward: For the People of Our Parishes

**WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 21** 

8:00 a.m.—St. Joseph: Rita Terstriep

**FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 23** 

8:00 a.m.—St. Brigid: Anne Snider

**SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 24** 

4:30 p.m.—St. Brigid: Paul Barry

#### SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 25—2ND SUNDAY OF LENT

7:30 a.m.—St. Brigid: Leroy Lentz

9:00 a.m.—St. Joseph: Alvin Hildebrand

10:30 a.m.—St. Edward: Dick & Helen Fessler

#### **Parish Support: February 11**

St. Brigid \$ 3,656.75

St. Edward \$ 1,029.00

St. Joseph \$ 4,828.00

Thank you for your generous support!

#### **Diocese Special Collections**

#### Catholic Charities— February 25

Every year, Catholic Charities serves thousands of our brothers and sisters in desperate situations throughout our 28 county diocese. This service comes in the form of meeting basic needs such as food, clothing, housing and medical/dental assistance, as well as providing long term professional services in social work, counseling, guardianship and legal assistance.

Everyone who is helped by Catholic Charities is treated with dignity and respect and provided a path to hope and healing.

Catholic Charities is able to continue these services through the ongoing generosity of people like you - donors, staff, volunteers, board members, and organizations coming together to support the mission. Thank you for your continued support of Catholic Charities to ensure God's love and mercy is extended to all of his children.

#### **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

#### March 2-March 4.

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 2024: April 20-22, June 8-10, July 27-29, and November 2-4.

#### St. Joseph Shrimp Boil—Thanks

A big thanks to all who helped to make the St. Joseph Shrimp Boil so successful. We served 260 meals and netted \$2,500. Thank you for your support!

#### **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	Clair Dees
Marvin Meyer	Elizabeth Leonard	Craig Gramke
Carl Schisler	Ben Venvertloh	
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.

# Custodians needed at St. Brigid and St. Edward

After many years of lovingly taking care of our facilities, Becky Cottingham at St. Edward's and Linda Sheurman at St. Brigid's have decided that it is time for them to hand over their roles as our custodians to someone else. We are very grateful for their dedicated service to this ministry of hospitality. We are looking for new people to fill these important roles. If you or someone you know is interested in one of these paid positions, please contact Fr. Scott at 217-645-3444 or pastor@stsbej.org.

#### **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 a.m. mass with the PSR classes. Everyone welcome.

**St. Brigid** stations will follow the 8 a.m. mass on February 16 & 23, and March 8 & 15.

**St. Edward** stations are Fridays at 7 p.m. If you would be willing to lead the stations, please sign up for a time at the back of church.

#### St. Joseph Cleaning Day

The ladies of St. Joseph's will be cleaning the church and hall after mass on Wednesday, February 21. "Many hands make less work for all"

#### **Thank You**

Thank you to all involved in the funeral services and making food for the funeral lunch for the family of Bernice Mowen. They appreciate all your efforts and thank you.

#### **Pennies For Life Campaign**

Each church member (children included) is encouraged to donate at least 1 cent for each year of his or her life, in gratitude to God for the gift of life. A collection container will be out at the back of church all this month for donations. Thank you for helping the Right to Life of Adams County, 109 N. 8th Street, Quincy to spread the respect-life message.

#### 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.







#### **Murder Mystery on a Train**

Join Quincy Catholic Charities for a Murder Mystery Dinner at The Holiday Inn, 4821 Oak St, Quincy. Tickets include dinner and entertainment. In addition, a silent auction and cash bar will be available. We hope to see you there! Tickets: <a href="https://cc.dio.org/events/quincy-annual-fundraiser-2024?fbclid=lwAROwHgLys9ulmF4wmEe">https://cc.dio.org/events/quincy-annual-fundraiser-2024?fbclid=lwAROwHgLys9ulmF4wmEe</a> DDDFubnyg9nOyx8r6A1vG4uenG-4-It7atwvMRgE

#### **Upcoming Fish Fries**

Mark your calendars!



#### St. Francis Solanus Card Party Sponsored by the Ladies of St. Francis

What is a St. Francis card party? An event where you spend a few hours with your friends playing games, laughing, and eating a nice lunch. We have 3 parties in the Spring on the first Thursday of each month (March, April, May 2024).

#### Thursday, March 7, 2024

11:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m. (doors open at 10:30) St. Francis Parish Center, enter between 17<sup>th</sup> and 18<sup>th</sup> on Elm Street (parking lot and handicap area ,with additional parking in the grass lot next to Underbrink's Bakery.

English cucumber sandwiches Slice of chocolate cake For reservations call Pat Winking at 217-257-0416. Get your reservations in early.

Menu: potato bar plate with toppings

#### **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, or call Terry & Eric Engholm at 314-649-7317.

3/15/2024 - 3/17/2024, Cape Girardeau, MO 4/5/2024 - 4/7/2024, St. Peters, MO



### **PSR News!**

#### Right to Life of Adams County Poster Contest

The posters are due today, February 18! Please make sure Emily has your poster if you would like to be included in the contest! Thank you all who have already turned yours in! Winners will be announced in next week's bulletin!

#### **Virtue of the Month—Justice**

There are other virtues that flow from Justice: Gratitude, Obedience, Piety, Respect, Honesty, and Kindness. These are ways to serve God and others. Think about some ways that your family can practice these and in turn will be practicing the virtue of Justice!

Here are some suggestions for practicing Justice:

- \* Make a list of things God has given you. Now make a list of what you already give to God or what you should give to God.
- \* When playing any kind of game, play by the rules.
- \* Talk with each other about justice. Ask each other what you think a person owes to God, their family, and their country.
- \* Keep a Gratitude Journal

St Brigid 4th graders learned about Joseph and his coat of many colors! They played a fun game with Catechist Linda!

St Brigid 1st graders are hard at work making bookmarks with Bible verses in them to help them keep their place in their workbooks!

#### **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!





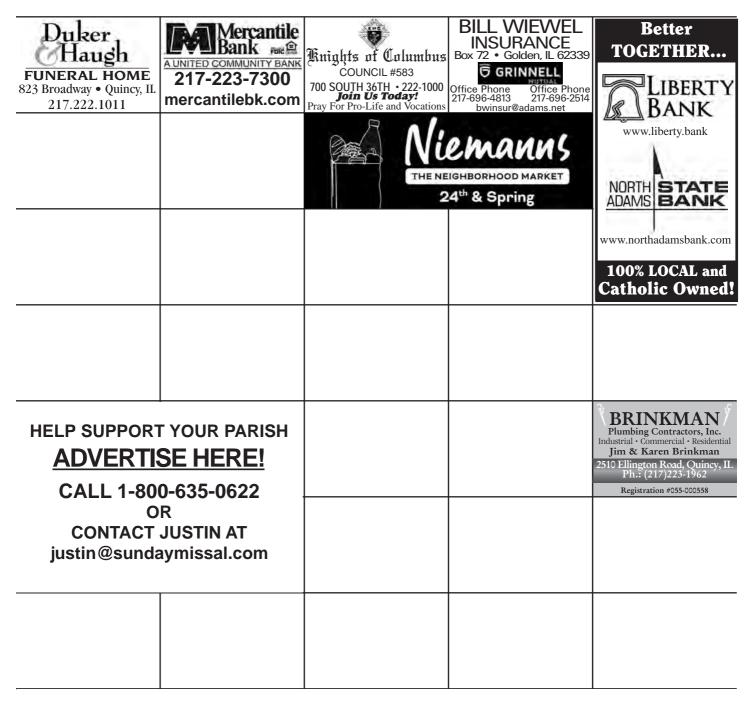
the prizes—money! Then Ann gave a mini-lesson on Lent and why we have Ash Wednesday!

# Ministry Schedules

ST. BRIGID CHURCH							
February 24-25	Altar Server	Communion Minister	Usher	Lector	Greeter /Hospitality	Gift Bearer	
4:30 p.m.	Jonah Obert Jenna Obert	Mike Maas Debbie Maas	Mara Ippensen Mike Maas Ron Barry	Cheryl Schutte	Dave & Angela Obert	Pam & Jerry Totsch	
7:30 a.m.	Ryleigh Powell Karlee Obert	Dot Smith Vickie Cramsey	Ron Cramsey Mike Hummel Justin Mewes	Mark Heidbreder	Mark & Carol Heidbreder	Lance, Renee & Family	

	ST. JOSEPH CHURCH						
February 25	•		Usher Lector		Greeter /Hospitality	Gift Bearer	
9:00 a.m.	Erica Wyatt Riggins	Jeanne Billie	Mark Bockhold Andrew Rangel	Dennis		Bockhold & Rangel Families	

ST. EDWARD CHURCH						
February 25	Altar Server	Communion Minister	Rosary	Lector	Greeter /Hospitality	Gift Bearer
10:30 a.m.	Danika Shaffer Abel Zimmerman Wyatt Dedert	Lindsey Cornwell Connie Bealor	Susan York	Dax Klusmeyer	Erin Fraizer	Curtis Shaffer Family
* Please continue passing the basket for collection.						



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