

# 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

##### **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

**March 17, 2024—5th Sunday of Lent**

Dear Church Family,

Our Gospel reading for today has some interesting similarities to the story of the Transfiguration. You remember in that story, Peter makes his confession that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of the living God. Then Jesus tells his disciples that he must go to Jerusalem, be arrested, suffer, die, and on the third day be raised from the dead. After that, he goes up on the mountain with Peter, James, and John and Jesus' appears to them in all his heavenly glory and the voice of the Father says, "This is my beloved Son. Listen to him." Because Jesus gives himself over to the plan of the Father, the way of the cross, Jesus is lifted up in glory by God.

Something similar happens in our Gospel reading for today. Foreigners come seeking to meet Jesus and this triggers in Jesus an interesting response, "The hour has come for the Son of Man to be glorified. Amen, amen, I say to you, unless a grain of wheat falls to the ground and dies, it remains just a grain of wheat; but if it dies, it produces much fruit. Whoever loves his life loses it, and whoever hates his life in this world will preserve it for eternal life." It seems that the coming of these Greeks is a sign to Jesus that his mission of reconciling, not just Israel, but the whole world to the Father is about to be fulfilled and this fulfillment will come about through his death and resurrection, which will bear fruit for the salvation of the world. The sacrifice of his life is the seed that will produce a harvest of souls for the kingdom of God. And just as in the Transfiguration, when Jesus embraces the Father's will for him, the Father's voice is heard, affirming the Son's faithfulness.

Jesus reminds us that as his disciples, the call to sacrificial love is our calling too. "Whoever loves his life loses it, and whoever hates his life in this world will preserve it for eternal life. Whoever serves me must follow me, and where I am, there also will my servant be." Wherever healing was needed, Jesus was there. Wherever the truth needed to be spoken, Jesus was there. Jesus calls us to lay down our lives and to go in his name into those places of need that we encounter in the world today. Like him, may we not hesitate to glorify God by lives given in love.

Blessings,

Fr. Scott

## Calendar

### Saturday, March 16

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

### Sunday, March 17

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

9:00 a.m. Mass @ St. Joseph (Children's Mass)

Stations of the Cross (Mary's Version) to 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, March 18

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

7:00 p.m.—RCIA @ St. Brigid

### Tuesday, March 19

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

6:00 p.m.—2nd Grade Reconciliation @ St. Joseph

### Wednesday, March 20

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 22

8:00 a.m. Mass @ St. Brigid w/ Stations to follow

6:00 p.m.—Stations of the Cross w/ PSR @ St. Edward

### Saturday, March 23

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

### Sunday, March 24—Palm Sunday

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

9:00 a.m. Mass @ St. Joseph (Children's Mass)

Stations of the Cross to 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, March 25

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

### Tuesday, March 26

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

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

### Wednesday, March 27

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

### Thursday, March 28—Holy Thursday

7:00 p.m.—Mass @ St. Edward—The Lord's Supper

### Friday, March 29—Good Friday

#### OFFICE CLOSED

7:00 p.m.—Mass @ St. Brigid—Lord's Passion

### Saturday, March 30—Holy Saturday

8:00 p.m.—Mass @ St. Joseph—Easter Vigil

### Sunday, March 31—Easter Sunday

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

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

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

## Mass Intentions

### SATURDAY, MARCH 16

4:30 pm—St. Brigid: *Patty Lieurance*

### SUNDAY, MARCH 17—5TH SUNDAY OF LENT

7:30 am—St. Brigid: *Jim & Mary Powell*

9:00 am—St. Joseph: *Jason Ohnemus*

10:30 am—St. Edward: *Don Maas*

### MONDAY, MARCH 18

6:30 pm—St. Brigid: *Yvonne Arnold*

### TUESDAY, MARCH 19

8:00 am—St. Edward: *Bill Binger*

### WEDNESDAY, MARCH 20

8:00 am—St. Joseph: *Connie Boling*

### FRIDAY, MARCH 22

8:00 am—St. Brigid: *Jeffrey Graham*

### SATURDAY, MARCH 23

4:30 pm—St. Brigid: *Harold Siebers*

### SUNDAY, MARCH 24—PALM SUNDAY

7:30 am—St. Brigid: *Paul Barry*

9:00 am—St. Joseph: *Leonard Ohnemus*

10:30 am—St. Edward: *Martha Koetters*

## Parish Support: March 10

St. Brigid \$ 5,776.00

St. Edward \$ 3,030.00

St. Joseph \$ 1,142.00

*Thank you for your generous support!*

## 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.

## Stations of the Cross ALL ARE WELCOME

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## Many Thanks!

Many thanks to all who attended St. Brigid Annual Fish Fry, but especially all who set up, worked, served, cleaned up, donated food and desserts to make this event a success....

"Working together makes success"

## St. Edward Easter Choir Invite

Anyone wishing to sing in St. Ed's Easter choir, please let Rich Lask know OR come on up to the choir loft on Sundays from 9:30-10:00. Everyone is encouraged to come and help us "make a joyous sound" to the Lord!

## Women's Cursillo Weekend

There will be a women's Cursillo weekend on April 11 - 14 at the Quincy University Retreat center. 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. There are registration forms in the back of church or you may contact Connie Bealor for more information.

## 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	Clari Dees
Marvin Meyer	Elizabeth Leonard	Craig Gramke
Carl Schisler	Ben Venvertloh	John Frese
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.**

## St. Joseph's Stations of the Cross

St. Joseph's PSR Students will be leading a "Mary's Version" of the Stations of the Cross directly after Mass today. EVERYONE IS WELCOME! Please plan to stay after Mass and pray this unique version of the Stations of the Cross from Our Most Holy Mother, Mary's perspective.

## Rest in Peace

Please pray for the soul of RJ Boone who died recently. Eternal rest, grant unto him, O Lord.

## Volunteers for Holy Thursday Feet Washing

If you would like to be someone who gets their feet washed on Holy Thursday, please call St. Brigid church office 217-645-3444. All ages are encouraged.

## 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.

## 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. 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.

## Advertise In Our Bulletin

If you are a business owner, please consider underwriting the printing of our bulletins by buying an advertisement. Our church family would be happy to know of a fellow parishioner or friend of our parishes whose business we can support. Information on how to buy an ad is on the back of the bulletin. If you know of a business owner who might be interested in advertising with us, please let us know. If we can get 30 advertisers our bulletins will be printed at no charge to our parishes. Thank you for your support.

## Bulletin Deadline

All information must be submitted by noon on Tuesday.

Submit to: [church@stsbej.org](mailto:church@stsbej.org)

## 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!

## St. Peter Adoration

OPEN Hours that are available are:

Wednesday: 1 a.m., 2 a.m., 3 a.m.

Thursday: Midnight (week 2), 1 a.m. (weeks 2,4,5)

Friday: 1 a.m., 11 p.m.

Saturday: Midnight (week 1), 1 a.m., 2 a.m.

Ask a friend to join you in taking an hour or share the time slot!

Please call Mary Voorhis 217 653 3127 or call or text Gina Wolf at 217 257 9966 with questions.

Quincy Catholic Charities 2024 Annual Fundraiser  
**MURDER MYSTERY ON A TRAIN**  
April 6 5 - 10 P.M.  
The Holiday Inn  
4821 Oak St, Quincy  
Tickets: \$50 each / \$350 table  
(dinner & entertainment included)  
Silent Auction | Cash Bar

## 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: <https://cc.dio.org/events/quincy-annual-fundraiser-2024?fbclid=IwAR0wHgLyS9ulmF4wmEeDDDFubnyg9nOyx8r6A1vG4uenG-4It7atwvMRgE>

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## Quincy Deanery DCCW

**For All Women:** The flyer and sign-up sheet for the next Quincy Deanery DCCW for our Spring gathering Wednesday April 3, 2024, in Pittsfield can be found in your church lobby.

Our theme for this gathering is Confession: Mercy, Justice and Forgiveness. We learn, pray and gather new information and ideas to take back to our parishes and families and in the process make new friends and further our Faith. Bring along a friend to spend the day with us in Historic Pittsfield. The sign-up sheet gives our host church an idea on how many to plan for lunch.

Our Lady of Good Counsel is our Spiritual Director and has led us in all our gatherings. Please come and find out what Our Lady is calling you to. Please call 217-653-6716 with any questions you might have. Claudia Coggeshall-President of Quincy DCCW

APRIL 9, 2024  
ST. MARY HOSPITAL  
SPRING GATHERING  
Former employees, physicians, students, volunteers  
Gather 11:00 a.m.  
Lunch 11:30 a.m.  
Cost: \$15  
Lutheran Church of St. John  
3340 State, Quincy, IL  
(next to Racquet Club)  
Reservations and money to  
NANCY FRIYE  
1415 GAYLA DRIVE  
QUINCY, IL 62305  
By April 4  
Questions: Contact Nancy 217 223-6490

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# PSR News!



## Children's Masses

A BIG THANK YOU to all of our wonderful PSR students for fulfilling all of the ministry roles (except Eucharistic Ministers – thank you to the adults who did that!) for our Children's Masses! Here are a few pictures of the students practicing!



## 2nd Graders

All of our second graders will be receiving the Sacrament of their First Reconciliation THIS WEEK on Tuesday, March 19 at St. Joseph's Church at 6 p.m. Please see the March PSR Newsletter and parent letter that is attached for more information! Check out Emily's video on Facebook for a short tour/tutorial on the Sacrament at St. Joseph's Church – this might help your child with nerves, especially if he/she has never been to St. Joseph's Church before! Parents – please take the time to talk to your child about this Sacrament, share with them about YOUR first time receiving the Sacrament! Show them how important it is by receiving the Sacrament regularly yourself and plan to receive it on Tuesday as well! We will have an ice cream party in the St. Joseph's Hall directly after the Sacrament.

## 3rd Graders

The next Sponsor/Candidate meeting will be on Tuesday, April 2 from 6-7 p.m. at St. Joseph's Hall for all three Parish PSR third graders. IF your child's sponsor is unable to attend, please send a parent/guardian in his/her place! Confirmation and First Communion will take place at the Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception in Springfield on Saturday, May 4. SERVICE PROJECT POSTER-BOARDS ARE DUE AT THIS MEETING! J Please be working on these if you haven't already completed them!

### RIGHT TO LIFE OF ADAMS COUNTY POSTER CONTEST

We had THREE students place in the county-wide contest for cash prizes in our Tri-Parish PSR Programs!  
CONGRATULATIONS:

- . Piper Steffen (St. Joseph), Honorable Mention for 3&4th grade, \$10 prize
- . Jenna Obert (St. Brigid), Honorable Mention for 3&4th grade, \$10 prize
- . Jonah Obert (St. Brigid), 3rd Place for 5&6th grade, \$25 prize

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## Virtue of the Month—FORTITUDE

A great story in the Bible about fortitude is the story of David and Goliath (1 Samuel 15-17). I urge you to read this story as a family this week and discuss it with your children. Talk to them about the word Fortitude – explain to them the meaning of it – talk about how they may use fortitude in their everyday life. We may never have to fight an actual giant, but we will encounter obstacles and trials that may seem scary and difficult. Remind your children that they may think of the example of David and how he trusted in God and persevered!

# Ministry Schedules

ST. BRIGID CHURCH						
March 23 & 24	Altar Server	Communion Minister	Usher	Lector	Greeter /Hospitality	Gift Bearer
4:30 p.m.	Jenna Obert Kelsey Schutte	Norma Neisen Theresa Neisen	Mara Ippensen Mike Maas Ron Barry	Katie Ippensen	Jeff & Jody Obert	Ron & Rose Barry
7:30 a.m.	Ryleigh Powell Karlee Obert	Norm Boone Nancy Obert	Ron Cramsey Mike Hummel Justin Mewes	Mark Heidbreder	Norm & Nancy Boone	Justin & Lucy Mewes

ST. JOSEPH CHURCH						
March 24	Altar Server	Communion Minister	Usher	Lector	Greeter /Hospitality	Gift Bearer
9:00 a.m.	Erika Wyatt Riggins	Barb Pat	Paul Mock Dan Mock	Stan Dan		Mock Families

ST. EDWARD CHURCH						
March 24	Altar Server	Communion Minister	Rosary	Lector	Greeter /Hospitality	Gift Bearer
10:30 a.m.	Kendall Knox CB Dax Klusmeyer Erin Cornwell	Donna Voss Susan York	Margie Kendrick	Julie Logan	Josh Venvertloh Family	Jeff Venvertloh Family
* Please continue passing the basket for collection.						

## 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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