# 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

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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**

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

217-645-3546

PARISH WEBSITE: stsbej.org

# Pastor's Letter

# April 14, 2024—3rd Sunday of Easter

Dear Church Family,

In our first reading from the book of Acts, St. Peter is pretty generous towards the people who crucified Jesus. He doesn't say, "Jesus is back and boy, are you going to get it!" Instead he says, "Now I know, brothers, that you acted out of ignorance, just as your leaders did; but God has thus brought to fulfillment what he had announced beforehand through the mouth of all the prophets, that his Christ would suffer. Repent, therefore, and be converted, that your sins may be wiped away." Instead of gloating he invites the crowd in the temple to turn and be part of the great thing that God has done in raising Jesus from the dead. He invites them to repent and experience the new life that is the fulfillment of everything that Israel has hoped for, reconciliation with God.

Paul is able to be generous to them because he knows that Jesus has been generous to him. When the disciples see Jesus in the closed room where they are hiding in our Gospel reading, they think that Jesus has come back to haunt them. They think he is a ghost come back for revenge for their having deserted him at the cross. But Jesus calms their fears by saying to them, "Peace be with you." And he shows them the nail marks in his hands and feet, the marks of his sacrifice of himself for the forgiveness of sins. Those wounds have been transformed from death-dealing injuries into life-giving emblems of the depth of God's mercy.

Then he does something that would have felt very familiar to them. He sits down to eat with them, just as he had so many times before. They remember all those other meals where Jesus taught them about life in the kingdom and God's plan to heal the world. And it all starts to make sense and they aren't afraid, but overcome with joy.

Christ show us his wounds today and invites us to claim the place at his side that they have won for us. Jesus holds his hands out to us to embrace us in his love and catch us when we fall. As St. John says in our second reading, "My children, I am writing this to you so that you may not commit sin. But if anyone does sin, we have an Advocate with the Father, Jesus Christ the righteous one. He is expiation for our sins, and not for our sins only but for those of the whole world." John also challenges us to show our love by obeying his commandments with the promise of God's help and forgiveness when we stumble. May the wounds of Christ inspire us to never give up trying and may the mercy of God inspire us to generously reach out to everyone with the good news of salvation.

Blessings,

Fr. Scott

# Calendar

#### Saturday, April 13

3:45 p.m.—4:15 p.m. Reconciliation @ St. Brigid 4:30 p.m.—Mass @ St. Brigid

#### Sunday, April 14

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

9:00 a.m. 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, April 15

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

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

#### Tuesday, April 16

NO MASS

#### Wednesday, April 17

NO MASS

\*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, April 19

**NO MASS** 

#### Saturday, April 20

3:45 p.m.—4:15 p.m. Reconciliation @ St. Brigid 4:30 p.m.—Mass @ St. Brigid

#### Sunday, April 21

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

9:00 a.m. 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, April 22

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

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

#### Tuesday, April 23

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

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

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

#### Wednesday, April 24

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, April 26

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

# **Mass Intentions**

#### **SATURDAY, APRIL 13**

4:30 p.m.—St. Brigid: +Bob Mead

**SUNDAY, APRIL 14** 

7:30 a.m.—St. Brigid: +Mary Jo Obert

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

10:30 a.m.—St. Edward: +Jim Veile

**MONDAY, APRIL 15** 

6:30 p.m.—St. Brigid: +Marilyn Barry

**TUESDAY, APRIL 16** 

NO MASS

**WEDNESDAY, APRIL 17** 

NO MASS

FRIDAY, APRIL 19

**NO MASS** 

**SATURDAY, APRIL 20** 

4:30 p.m.—St. Brigid: +Evelyn Dietrich

**SUNDAY, APRIL 21** 

7:30 a.m.—St. Brigid: +James Carlson

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

10:30 a.m.—St. Edward: +Ron Valeu

# **Parish Support: April 7**

St. Brigid \$ 5,179.55

St. Edward

St. Joseph \$ 2.136.25

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Thank you for your generous support!

## **Bulletin Deadline**

All information must be submitted by noon on Tuesday.

Submit to: church@stsbej.org





We are pleased to welcome <u>Darren Duke &</u>
<u>Madelynn Thompson</u> who were received into the church on April 7 at St. Brigid Church. Please make them feel welcome and part of our great parish.



## **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 on the second Sunday every month.

Thank You for your generosity!

#### **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.



# **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.



## **NEW Online Giving**

Our new online giving links are now LIVE. 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.

# 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.

# **Please Remember to Pray For:**

Daran Knuffman Margie Steinkamp Marilyn Obert Ginny Brinkman Leon Lentz Kris Mast Zoey Obert Travis Irvin Jim Wilson Jennifer Neisen Denny Meyer Maurie Koch Julia Winfield Rosie Miller **Tony Peters** Haddlei Burnett Joy Huebotter Joe Rice Jim Steinkamp Linda Windoffer Raleigh Bess **Kayle Sheely** Monica Mast Karen Woodworth Darren Neisen Bonnie Johnson Doug Woodworth Clari Dees John Kroner Leo Bauer Craig Gramke Marvin Meyer Elizabeth Leonard John Frese Carl Schisler Ben Venvertloh Rachel Cramsev John Blickhan 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.



Saint Brigid Catholic Church Hall
Please join us for our special Mother & Daughter
Event!

Wednesday, May 15th 6:30 pm.

A meal will be provided!

Please rsvp to Renee @ 217.440.8417

We hope you can join us!





# **PSR News!**

## **Confirmation/First Communion**

Please check out our third grader service project posters in your church vestibule! The students did a wonderful job sharing God's love with others! Confirmation and First Communion will take place on Saturday, May 4 at the Cathedral of Immaculate Conception in Springfield, IL. Please contact Emily if you need more information about this! 217-257-3536

#### CHANGE OF DATE! ST. BRIGID and ST. EDWARD (K-4) LAST DAY OF PSR WILL BE MAY 1!



# St. Brigid 6-8th Graders made Rosaries!



## **Virtue of the Month—TEMPERANCE**

There are several virtues of temperance. Here are a list of some and suggestions on how to practice them in your life: Shamefacedness – This is a virtues that helps you back away from things that are evil or not good for you. Practice this virtue by listening to your conscience and going to Reconciliation when needed. Abstinence and Fasting – Take time, not just during Lent – to practice these! Give it up for God. Meekness – control your feelings of anger. Here are some ways to practice meekness: count to ten before saying or doing something, write how you are feeling in a journal, close your eyes and take three deep breaths. Humility – knowing your strengths and weaknesses. Use your talents in ways that are pleasing to God, but do not brag about your talents. Put other people before yourself. Thank God for everything you have, Congratulate people when they do well, be happy for others when they get an award or special attention, think of others before yourself, say sorry and recognize when you have failed or done wrong. Modesty – having beauty or goodness of mind and conduct, especially in how we dress and speak. Speak gently, practice silence, use your manners by saying "please" and "thank you," do not draw attention to yourself, and dress in appropriate clothes. Ask yourself, "Does this show God's beauty and goodness?" If you cannot answer with a positive and confident "YES!" then it is best to stay away from it.

# Ministry Schedules

ST. BRIGID CHURCH								
April 20 & 21	Altar Server	Communion Minister	Usher	Lector	Greeter /Hospitality	Gift Bearer		
4:30 p.m.	Kelsey Schutte Ashley Schutte	Robin Mowen Stacy Clark	Mara Ippensen Mike Maas Ron Barry	Rich Cramsey	Pam & Jerry Totsch	Norma Neisen		
7:30 a.m.	Ryleigh Powell Karlee Obert	Vickie Cramsey Nancy Obert	Ron Cramsey Mike Hummel Justin Mewes	Mark Heidbreder	Greg & Nancy Obert	Glenn & Sara Obert		

ST. JOSEPH CHURCH								
April 21	Altar Server	Communion Minister	Usher	Lector	Greeter /Hospitality	Gift Bearer		
9:00 a.m.	Andrea Makayla Asher	Theresa Brenda	Mike Moore Andy Moore	Stan		Moore Family		

ST. EDWARD CHURCH							
April 21	Altar Server	Communion Minister	Rosary	Lector	Greeter /Hospitality	Gift Bearer	
10:30 a.m.	Jillian Shaffer Meredith Shaffer Devin Shupe	Margie Kendrick Donna Voss	Susan York	Rita Blickhan	Greta Frankel	Kasey Cornwell Family	

<sup>\*</sup> Please continue passing the basket for collection.



Three of our Second graders received the Sacrament of First Reconciliation this past Tuesday!

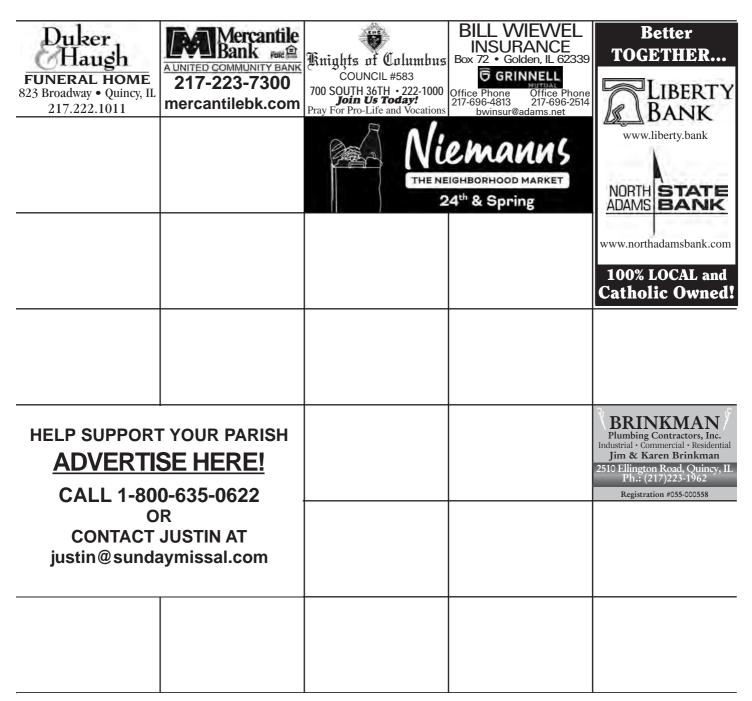
Congratulations Sawyer (St. Brigid), Henry (St. Edward), and Evy (St Edward)

# **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

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.



# WELCOME ST. BRIGID, ST. EDWARD & ST. JOSEPH to Sunday Missal Service!

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