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

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217-645-3546

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Pastor's Letter

May 12, 2024—The Ascension of the Lord

Dear Church Family,

The Solemnity of the Ascension of the Lord, which we celebrate today, is probably the most underappreciated solemnity in the church calendar. It kind of gets lost between Easter and Pentecost. Today we remember the day that Jesus Christ, forty days after his resurrection, was taken up bodily into heaven and took his place at the right hand of the Father. The meaning of this event is astonishing.

In the fourteenth chapter of John's Gospel Jesus says, "In my Father's house there are many dwelling places. If there were not, would I have told you that I am going to prepare a place for you? And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come back again and take you to myself so that where I am you also may be." The Ascension is the fulfillment of Jesus promise to go and prepare a place for us.

When Jesus returns to the Father, it isn't just his divine nature that enters heaven, it's his whole self. His human body and soul are also now seated at the right hand of the Father. In a mysterious way, God has made "space" within himself for humankind. The heart of God has been opened up, like the side of Christ on the cross pierced by the lance, and we are invited in. At Christmas we celebrate the humanization of the divine. At the Ascension we celebrate the divinization of the human. These two unfathomable mysteries serve as bookends to our Lord's ministry on earth.

When Jesus was taken up into heaven the disciples watched in awe and then returned to Jerusalem with joy. May that same awe and joy fill us as we reflect on the greatness of the unimaginable gift we have received from our Lord who lived, died, rose, ascended, and will one day return to bring us home to the heart of God.

Blessings,

Fr. Scott



Calendar

Saturday, May 11

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

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

Sunday, May 12

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

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

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

Monday, May 13

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

Tuesday, May 14

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

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

Wednesday, May 15

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

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

6:30 p.m. Mothers & Daughters Banquet @ St. Brigid

Friday, May 17

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

Saturday, May 18

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

4:30 p.m.—Mass @ St. Brigid

Sunday, May 19

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

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

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

Monday, May 20

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

Tuesday, May 21

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

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

Wednesday, May 22

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

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

Friday, May 24

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

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.

Mass Intentions

SATURDAY, MAY 11

4:30 p.m.—St. Brigid: +Mary & Thomas Allison

SUNDAY, MAY 12

7:30 a.m.—St. Brigid: +Mary Jo Obert

9:00 a.m.—St. Joseph: +Jeanette & Greg Knapp and

+Mabel & Leonard Ohnemus

10:30 a.m.—St. Edward: Jean Lubbe

MONDAY, MAY 13

6:30 p.m.—St. Brigid: +Beau Avery Barry

TUESDAY, MAY 14

8:00 a.m.—St. Edward: +Victor Hirsh

WEDNESDAY, MAY 15

8:00 a.m.—St. Joseph: +Beau Myers

FRIDAY, MAY 17

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

SATURDAY, MAY 18

4:30 p.m.—St. Brigid: +Laverne & Irene Knupps

SUNDAY, MAY 19

7:30 a.m.—St. Brigid: +Bob Mead

9:00 a.m.—St. Joseph: +Jack & Irene Bunte 10:30 a.m.—St. Edward: Martha Koetters

Parish Support: May 4

St. Brigid \$ 4,000.06

St. Edward \$ 2,439.00

St. Joseph \$ 2,733.00

Thank you for your generous support!

Diocese Special Collections

Retired Diocesan Priests Collection - May 19

Each year on the feast of Pentecost we rejoice that the gifts of the Holy Spirit are given to the Church in every age. As we celebrate this feast, I ask you to consider a generous response in the Retired Diocesans Priests Collection to meet the immediate retirement and health care needs of our priests.

Please pray for our priests who serve so generously in various apostolates throughout our diocese. Please thank God for all that we have received from our priests who are now retired, many of whom continue to offer generous services in every way that they are able throughout our diocese.

Sincerely yours in Christ, Most Reverend Thomas John Paprocki

Bulletin Deadline

All information must be submitted by noon on Tuesday.

Submit to: church@stsbej.org



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:

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

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.



Attention St. Edward parishioners

Mendon town-wide garage sales are Saturday, June 1; there's usually a good crowd of shoppers. St. Edward parishioners are welcome to sell items on the church parking lot that day. We are on the list as a garage sale site. St. Edward will supply the space, you will provide everything else you need (tables, chairs, change box, manpower to set up/take down/oversee your items).

Church tables/chairs WILL NOT be available.

Space rental: free-will offering will be collected that day and will go to St. Edward.

7:30 - 11:30 a.m. Set up that morning. Info/RSVP your space: Myra Kuhn, (217) 430-3238

or kuhnmyra@yahoo.com.

Rest in Peace

Please pray for the repose of the soul of
Alvenia Richmiller
who died recently. Eternal rest, grant unto her, O Lord.

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 9:30am 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: June 8-10, July 27-29, and November 2-4.



PSR News!

Last Day of PSR!

Thank you for sharing your amazing children with us this past PSR school year! We look forward to seeing them at VBS and next school year!





ST. BRIGID





ST. EDWARD







ST. JOSEPH



Ministry Schedules

ST. BRIGID CHURCH						
May 18 & 19	Altar Server	Communion Minister	Usher	Lector	Greeter /Hospitality	Gift Bearer
4:30 p.m.	Bryce Mixer Miles Mixer	Mike Maas Debbie Maas	Ron Barry Dave Fessler Ava Fessler	Dave Fessler	Katie & Dennis Ippensen	Theresa Neisen
7:30 a.m.	Ryleigh Powell Karlee Obert	Norm Boone Nancy Obert	Greg Obert Ron Cramsey Mike Hummel	Mark Heidbreder	Mark & Carol Heidbreder	Lance, Renee & Family

ST. JOSEPH CHURCH						
May 19	Altar Server	Communion Minister	Usher	Lector	Greeter /Hospitality	Gift Bearer
9:00 a.m.	Andrea Makayla Asher	Theresa Brenda	Paul Mock Dan Mock	Billie Huebotter		Mock Family

ST. EDWARD CHURCH						
May 19	Altar Server	Communion Minister	Rosary	Lector	Greeter /Hospitality	Gift Bearer
10:30 a.m.	Braylee Brackensick Alivia Felde Annastyn Landwehr	Lori Hildebrand	Cindy Betz	Jeannie Hildebrand	Ginny Maas	Joe Hoeing Family
* Please continue passing the basket for collection.						

HAPPY MOTHERS DAY TO ALL By: A.C. Buzzy McLaughlin

On this day a mother means more than just words or a bouquet of sweet flowers, for a mother can make a rainy dark day into a happy day with just a warm smile on her face and the words, lets bake some cookies.

A mother accepts her children's good points, faults and disappointments in stride. A mothers love is a true treasure that she shares every day with her family. She shows this through caring, acts of kindness, advice given or always ready to help without thinking twice about it.

A mothers faith and inspirations help her guide the family in good times or bad. Mothers are special gifts to children every where, as time passes she becomes a very good friend, someone to confide in or rely on.

A mother places the needs of her own family first far above any priorities she has in her life. We take our mom's for granted for all the thankless jobs they do, but if it wasn't for mom, Lord what would we do?

A mother never asks for pay, just a kiss or hug will do, the words, 'Mom I love you' just makes her day brand new. So Happy Mother's Day to all our moms, may God's blessing rain down upon you, for family isn't family without a mother like you.





St. Brigid: Ezra and Oziah Curry,



Kruz Klauser, Kooper Powell, & Kade Klauser



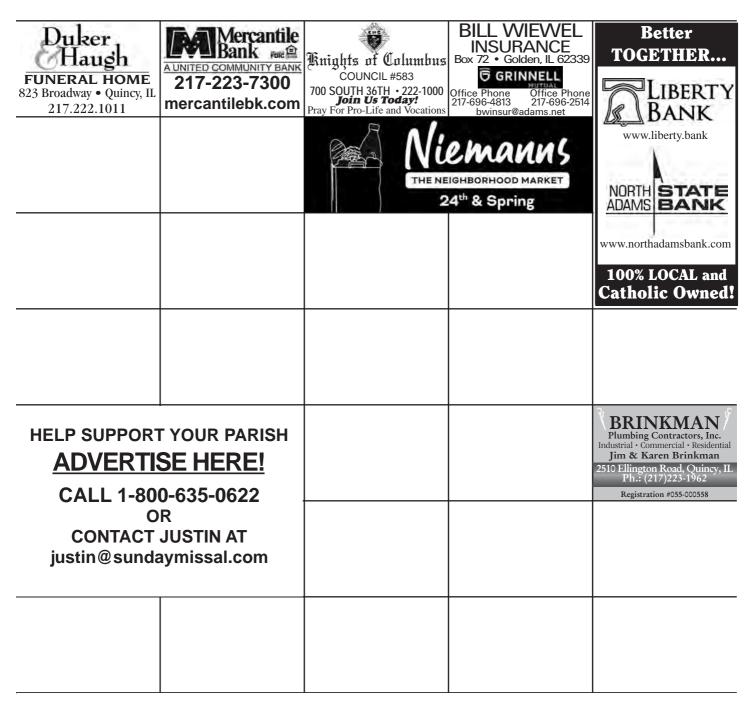


St. Edward : Josie Venvertloh, Kaylan Hickey, Liam Logan, Magnolia Campbell, Allie Felde



St. Joseph: Myra Drebes, McCoy Mock, Jack Luaders, Piper Steffen





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