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

PARISH WEBSITE: stsbej.org

Pastor's Letter

May 5, 2024—6th Sunday of Easter

Dear Church Family,

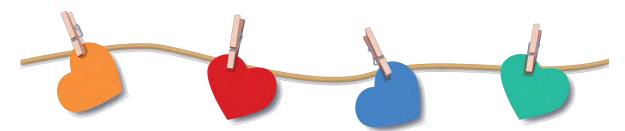
In our first reading for today, Peter and the other Jewish disciples who were with him are amazed when the Holy Spirit is poured out on a group of non-Jewish people who have just heard the good news about Jesus Christ. In this event, God shows the church that it must continue to do what Jesus did throughout his ministry, namely, go to outsiders and bring them into the circle of God's love. Jesus did that for those who were on the edges of the Jewish community. Now the church is to take God's invitation of love to every corner of the world, to every tribe and nation. There could be no denying it. What the Holy Spirit did for the disciples at Pentecost was repeated for the Gentile household of Cornelius.

This was a big step in the life of the church, and it did not come about without controversy. There were those in the church who felt that one had to observe the law of Moses before one could become a follower of Jesus. But Jesus had said that he came to fulfill that law by condensing it down to its purest form: love. When asked to say which was the most important commandment, he said there were two; love God with all your heart and mind and strength, and love your neighbor as yourself. In our Gospel reading for today he says, "This is my commandment: Love one another, as I love you." John opens up this command for us in our second reading, "Beloved, let us love one another, because love is of God; everyone who loves is begotten by God and knows God. Whoever is without love does not know God, for God is love. In this way the love of God was revealed to us: God sent his only Son into the world so that we might have life through him. In this is love: not that we have loved God, but that he loved us and sent his Son as expiation for our sins."

Love is not just what God does; it is who God is. If we want him to share his life with us, then we must become love as well. And we can't just love the people we are comfortable with and who love us first. God loved us before we knew him. God loved us even as we hung his Son on a cross. As shocking as that is, that's how God loves and that's how God asks us to love. Peter and the first disciples found a way to open their hearts to people who were different from themselves and who they had been taught not to associate with. May God work in our hearts to help us do the same.

Blessings,

Fr. Scott



Love each other as I have loved you.

Calendar

Saturday, May 4

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

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

Sunday, May 5

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, May 6

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

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

Tuesday, May 7

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

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

Wednesday, May 8

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

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

Thursday, May 9

6:30 p.m.—St. Joseph Altar Society Mtg

Friday, May 10

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

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

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 4

4:30 p.m.—St. Brigid: +Bernice Mowen

SUNDAY, MAY 5

7:30 a.m.—St. Brigid: +Russ & Norma Ellwood

9:00 a.m.—St. Joseph: +Tom Mast & Rose Mary Zanger 10:30 a.m.—St. Edward: For the People of Our Parishes

MONDAY, MAY 6

6:30 p.m.—St. Brigid: +Marilyn Barry

TUESDAY, MAY 7

8:00 a.m.—St. Edward: +Janet & William Hilgenbrinck

WEDNESDAY, MAY 8

8:00 a.m.—St. Joseph: +Jason Ohnemus

FRIDAY, MAY 10

8:00 a.m.—St. Brigid: Anne Snider

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

Parish Support: April 28

St. Brigid \$ 3,142.50

St. Edward \$ 2,457.00

St. Joseph \$ 2,487.25

Thank you for your generous support!

Diocese Special Collections

Catholic Communications Campaign - May 12

Through *Catholic Times*, social media, podcasting, and other digital methods, or diocese is taking advantage of several communication outlets to spread the news of our diocese, teach the faith, and provide hope and encouragement to people no ,matter where they are in their faith life.

Followers on the diocesan social media channels continue to grow. Our channels have far more followers than most dioceses our size, and several that are two to three times as big as our dioceses. For example, our Facebook page has neared 11,000 followers (we had about 3,000 followers five years ago). In 2020, our You Tube channel had under 500 subscribers. Today, it is approaching 5,000 subscribers. This shows that the content our Curia team is producing is engaging, inspirational, and educational, and people want to consume it because it is helping them. For more information visit www.usccb.org/ccc. Thank You.

St. Joseph Celebration Social

Please help us Celebrate First Communion with our newly Confirmed students on May 5 after mass at St. Joseph at our "Celebration Social". We will have a sweet treat and let them know we are celebrating these special sacraments with them.

Honoring Myra, McCoy, Piper, and Jack

We are extremely proud of all our students and thank our dedicated teachers for their service and love this year. A big thank you also to Emily Wellman! Her enthusiasm is contagious and we are blessed to have her in charge of our Childrens Religious Education. Also the PSR students will be having the Crowning of Mary after their treats.

St. Joseph Altar Society

Ginny Brinkman

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	

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.

Jim Wilson

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!



Prayers

We ask that you keep our Confirmation and First Communion students in your Prayers.

<u>St. Joseph Confirmandi</u>: Myra Drebes, McCoy Mock, Piper Steffens, and Jack Luaders

<u>St. Brigid Confirmandi:</u> Kruz Klauser, Kade Klauser, & Kooper Powell

Ezra and Oziah Curry who made their Confirmation and First Communion this past week

<u>St. Edward Confirmandi:</u> Magnolia Campbell, Allie Felde, Kaylyn Hickey, Josie Venvertloh, and Liam Logan



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.

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





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.







PSR News!

Confirmation/First Communion



CONGRATULATIONS to all three of our Tri-Parish Third Graders who received their Sacraments of Confirmation and First Communion yesterday in Springfield! We will have pictures in the bulletin in the next few weeks!



Solemn Holy Communion

What is a Solemn Holy Communion? It is where we celebrate the students' First Communion at their home parish! We are so excited for all of you to receive this Sacrament and we want to celebrate with you as a Church community! Please have your child dress in the same attire as in Springfield. The third graders will process and recess down the aisle with Father Scott at the beginning and end of Mass, sit in the front row with their class, read the petitions for the day, and receive Communion first. Parents may sit anywhere. Confirmation sponsors are encouraged to attend, but will not have a role in this Mass. We will take group pictures after Mass. Please have your child at church 15 minutes prior to Mass start time!

St. Joseph: Sunday, May 5 at 9:00 a.m. Mass (Be there by 8:45) St. Brigid: Saturday, May 11 at 4:30 p.m. Mass (Be there by 4:15) St. Edward: Sunday, May 12 at 10:30 a.m. Mass (Be there by 10:15)



Ministry Schedules

ST. BRIGID CHURCH						
May 11 & 12	Altar Server	Communion Minister	Usher	Lector	Greeter /Hospitality	Gift Bearer
4:30 p.m.	Kelsey Schutte Ashley Schutte	Robin Mowen Stacy Clark	John Zanger Mara Ippensen Mike Maas	Angie Obert	Dan Kramer	Katie & Dennis Ippensen
7:30 a.m.	Dylan Hocking Mason Hocking	Vickie Cramsey Brandy Hocking	Kyle Leonard David Dodd Lucy Mewes	Justin Mewes	Greg & Nancy Obert	Gene & Lorrie Klauser

ST. JOSEPH CHURCH						
May 12	Altar Server	Communion Minister	Usher	Lector	Greeter /Hospitality	Gift Bearer
9:00 a.m.	Abigail Maddy Lane	Barb Pat	Jim Ohnemus Mike Ohnemus	Dennis		Ohnemus Family

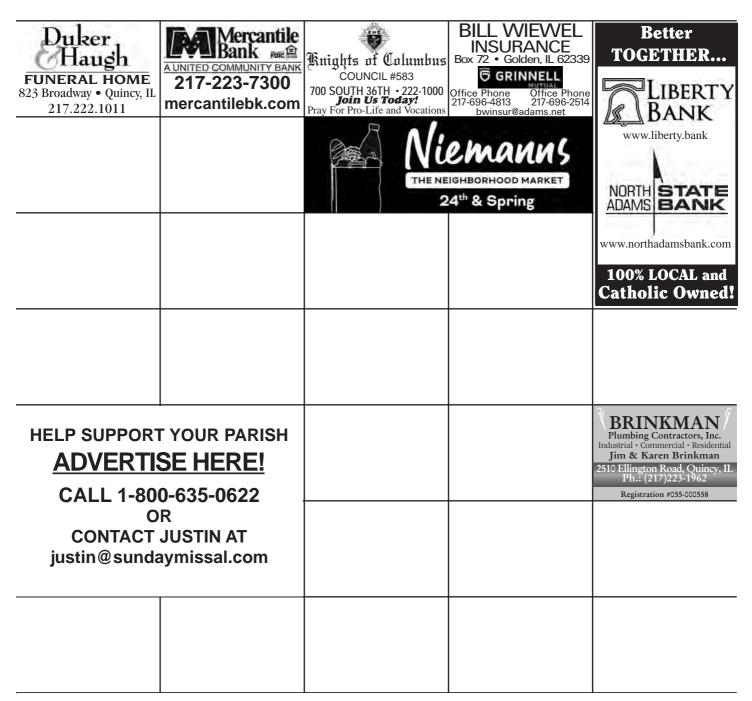
ST. EDWARD CHURCH						
May 5	Altar Server	Communion Minister	Rosary	Lector	Greeter /Hospitality	Gift Bearer
10:30 a.m.	Jaxson Tuter Mark Wellman Austin Frese	Tracy Cornwell Jeannie Hildebrand	Connie Bealor	Abby Hagedorn	Kientzle Family	Erin Frazier Family
* Please continue passing the basket for collection.						

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 October 4-5.** 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!





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