

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

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Office Hours

Tues. & Thurs. 8 am to 4 pm
Wednesday by appointment
Friday until Noon
217-645-3444

St. Joseph Catholic Church

1435 E. 1500th St.
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Office Hours

Wednesday 8am to 4 pm
217-434-8442

St. Edward Catholic Church

214 South State Road
Mendon, IL 62351

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217-645-3546

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Hospitality—Prayer—Formation—Service

Pastor's Letter

September 8, 2024—23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

Dear Church Family,

When John Paul II was elected pope his first words to the church from the balcony overlooking St. Peter's square were, "Be not afraid." In giving these words of encouragement, Pope St. John Paul was expressing the same Spirit-filled optimism and confidence in the power of the gospel that led Pope St. John XXIII to convene the second Vatican Council which mobilized the church for greater engagement with the modern world. What was that optimism and confidence founded on?

That question is an important one for us today. The church is under assault from many different sides. Partly, it's our own fault. We are ashamed of the scandals that have come to light and the failure of some of our leaders to deal with them appropriately. Partly it's because society has drifted away, or rather been tempted away, from biblical faith and values. The church struggles against a rising tide of spiritual, moral, intellectual, and social decay. It's a pretty bleak picture.

But into this broken world God continues to speak the same word that he spoke to his people through the prophet Isaiah, "Be strong, fear not! Here is your God, he comes with vindication; with divine recompense he comes to save you." Things were looking bad for Israel too when Isaiah first spoke these words. Like us, they knew what it was like to be surrounded by enemies on all sides. And they also knew that they had not perfectly lived up to their calling as the people of God. But still God came to them with power and saved them from their enemies and renewed his covenant with them.

Through them God sent the Savior of the world, Jesus Christ, who healed the sick, cast out demons and spoke truth to the powerful and mercy and peace to the sorrowful. Jesus continues to heal and to speak today, scattering the darkness with the light of his goodness, beauty, and truth. There are signs of it everywhere if you make the effort to look. John XXIII and John Paul II saw it. I see it in you! So many of you have given witness to the light of Christ in your faithfulness, generosity, and compassion for people in need. These signs of the Holy Spirit are just what is needed to overcome the doubt and self-absorption so common today. May the world see our love and say of us, as they said of Jesus, that we have done all things well.

Blessings,
Fr. Scott

Fried Chicken Catechist Celebration

St. Edward's will be having a celebration for our Catechists who are reaching milestones in their years of service this year after 10:30 a.m. Mass on Sunday, September 15! The St. Edward Men's and Women's groups will be cooking the main meal of fried chicken and delicious sides! Salads and desserts will be provided by our PSR families! All are welcome!! **Please RSVP on the sign up in the church vestibule or by contacting Emily at 217-257-3536 by September 8.**

Calendar

Saturday, September 7

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

4:30 p.m.—Mass @ St. Brigid

Sunday, September 8

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

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

9:15 a.m.—10:15 a.m. PSR (5-8) @ St. Edward

10 a.m.—11:15 a.m. PSR @ St. Joseph

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

Monday, September 9

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

Tuesday, September 10

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

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

Wednesday, September 11

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

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

3:10 p.m.—4:30 p.m. PSR (K-4) @ St. Edward

6:30 p.m.—7:45 p.m. PSR @ St. Brigid

Thursday, September 12

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

Friday, September 13

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

Saturday, September 14

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

4:30 p.m.—Mass @ St. Brigid

Sunday, September 15

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

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

9:15 a.m.—10:15 a.m. PSR (5-8) @ St. Edward

10:00 a.m.—11:15 a.m. PSR @ St. Joseph

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

Monday, September 16

NO MASS

Tuesday, September 17

NO MASS

Wednesday, September 18

NO MASS

3:10 p.m.—4:30 p.m. PSR (K-4) @ St. Edward

6:30 p.m.—7:45 p.m. PSR @ St. Brigid

Friday, September 20

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

Ministry to the Homebound

We are hoping to start a ministry of bringing Holy Communion to the homebound of our parishes. Ministers could bring Communion on Saturday or Sunday after Mass or any day during the week that is convenient. If you are interested, call the church office or email Fr. Scott at ssnider0528@gmail.com.

Mass Intentions

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 7

4:30 p.m.—St. Brigid: +Wayne Warning

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 8

7:30 a.m.—St. Brigid: +Herbert & Mildred Lentz

+Leon Lentz

9:00 a.m.—St. Joseph: + Jason Ohnemus

10:30 a.m.—St. Edward: +Don Maas

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 9

6:30 p.m.—St. Brigid: +Bernice Mowen

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 10

8:00 a.m.—St. Edward: +Karen Shaffer

+Martha Koeters

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 11

8:00 a.m.—St. Joseph: +Fr. Irenaeus Kimminau

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 13

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

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 14

4:30 p.m.—St. Brigid: +Marilyn Barry

+Richard & Ray Jr. Maas

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 15

7:30 a.m.—St. Brigid: +Mary Jo Obert

+Leon Lentz

9:00 a.m.—St. Joseph: + Nick Dietrich

10:30 a.m.—St. Edward: +Janet & William Hilgenbrink

Parish Support: September 1

St. Brigid \$ 3,129.00

St. Edward \$ 3,249.35

St. Joseph \$ 3,063.00

Thank you for your generous support!

“Journey of Faith” Starting This Fall

If you or someone you know would like to learn more about the Catholic faith, we have just the thing for you. Journey of Faith is a class that meets from September to May at St. Brigid Church Hall on Monday nights at 7 p.m. Curious about Catholicism? Do you have loved ones who are Catholic and want to understand where they are coming from? Are you Catholic and want to know your faith better? Thinking about becoming Catholic? Journey of Faith is for you. This class is the place for you to bring your questions about the teachings, practices, and history of the Catholic church. Interested? call St. Brigid Church office at 217-645-3444 or email Fr. Scott at pastor@stsbej.org

Diocese Special Collections

Church of Africa—September 15

The Solidarity Fund awarded a grant of collection funds to the Kenya Conference of Catholic Bishops to implement its program to reinvigorate marriage and family life in the Diocese of Nakuru. Trained married couples, clergy, religious brothers and sisters, and catechists facilitated workshops for 450 participants on topics that included marriage preparation, Christian family life, and Natural Family Planning. Participants also learned how to provide pastoral care to people in isolated and vulnerable groups, including prisoners, homeless families, families of truck drivers and fishing industry workers, and prostitutes and their families. When you participate in the collection for the Solidarity Fund for the Church in Africa, your contribution helps the Church reach out to the people most in need and bring them pastoral care. The Church in Africa joyfully lives and shares the merciful love of Jesus through its ministries to families, youth, and people made vulnerable or marginalized by poverty. Though it is rich with a spirit of missionary discipleship, it needs your help to carry out its mission. Please be generous to this collection for the Solidarity Fund through the offertory collection envelope or your parish's e-offertory platform. To learn more about the collection and whom it supports, visit www.usccb.org/africa.

Sincerely yours in Christ,
Most Reverend Thomas John Paprocki



Blood Drive!

The 8th grade PSR class at St Edward's is sponsoring a blood drive as a community service project. The blood drive will be held on Monday, October 28 at Unity High School from 9 a.m.-2 p.m. All blood types needed. If anyone is available and willing to try to donate blood please email your name and phone number to holly.klusmeyer@cusd4.com. If you have any questions please ask Henry Bealor, Dax Klusmeyer, or Mira Mealiff after church. Please give the gift of life.



Baptisms

Makenna Ruth Ormond,
Daughter of Shane & Megan Ormond of St. Brigid

St. Joseph Donut Social

Mark your calendars the Donut Social will be returning on September 15! St Joseph Alter Society



Please Remember to Pray For:

Daran Knuffman	Linda Windoffer	Clari Dees
Zoey Obert	Monica Mast	Craig Gramke
Julia Winfield	Bonnie Johnson	John Blickhan
Haddlei Burnett	Leo Bauer	Ryan Wiemelt
Jim Steinkamp	Elizabeth Leonard	Scottie Bastert
Kayle Sheely	Ben Venvertloh	Bernice Dittmer
John Kroner	Ripken Rangel	Linda Howe
Marvin Meyer	Jim Wilson	Joann Walton
Carl Schisler	Maurie Koch	
Rachel Cramsey	Tony Peters	
Ginny Brinkman	Joy Huebotter	
Denny Meyer	Raleigh Bess	
Rosie Miller	Karen Woodworth	
Joe Rice	Doug Woodworth	

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.

QCES Mass Attendance Cards

Mass attendance cards are available at the back of church.



St. Francis School GOLF OUTING

The Holy Name Society is sponsoring a golf outing to raise money for St. Francis School. All are invited to join us at Westview Golf Course, Sunday, **September 29, 2024 at 11:30 AM** with a shotgun start at **12:30 P.M.** It costs **\$70** per person, which covers 18 holes of golf (holes 1-18), cart fees, Food, and refreshments before and after we play and prizes.

You do not have to be an avid golfer to experience a great afternoon of fun. This day is for **FUN!!!!** There will be prizes and games at each hole. Create your own teams: family members, husbands and wives, all women teams, couples, coworkers, or friends.

Hole sponsorship posters are available for \$100. The hole sponsor poster will include the business name, Address, phone and/or logo. The poster will also be signed by the students at St. Francis Solanus School as a personal thank you for your support.

To sign up for golf or hole sponsorship Contact Dan Hoffman at 217 617-3537 or email danhoffman300@hotmail.com



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!

Carmelites Holy Hour

There will be a holy hour with the secular Carmelites at St Brigid on Sunday, September 15 from 3:00 to 4:00 p.m.

Men's Cursillo #371

Men's Cursillo #371 will be held September 12 -15 at the Franciscan Retreat Center in Quincy. During this three day experience, those attending pray together, celebrate the Eucharist, listen to talks given by priests, religious and laypersons, and share the fellowship of Jesus Christ and each other. It provides a casual and relaxed experience in a Christian community. Cost of the weekend is \$185 with lodging and all meals provided. A partial monetary gift to defray the cost is available. For more information or to receive an application, please contact Emily Goodapple, 217-242-8802 or go to <https://www.quincycursillo.com/> to print one.

Quincy's first National Day of Remembrance for Aborted Children Memorial Service

Event: National Day of Remembrance for Aborted Children
When: Saturday, September 14, 2024, 1:00 p.m.

Where: Knights of Columbus grounds, outdoors near the entrance to the main building, 700 S. 36th Street, Quincy.

Sponsored by: Right to Life of Adams County. Please bring a lawn chair.

More Info: Jane Haas, 217-257-0533

St. Anthony Ladies Society Fall Craft/Vendor Show

If you are interested in being a vendor at our craft/vendor show on Saturday, October 5, at St. Anthony Parish Hall please contact Janet Bick (217-430-7256 or rjbick@comcast.net) or Tawny Benz (217-257-0847 or rtbenz77@gmail.com). Booth space (10'x10') is \$25. You may furnish your own tables or rent 8' tables for \$5 each.



St. Anthony Annual Fried Chicken Dinner

The St. Anthony Men's Society invites you along with your family and friends to their annual fried chicken dinner on Sunday, September 15, 2024, 11:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m. in St. Anthony Parish Hall, 2223 St. Anthony Road, Quincy, IL. Dine in or Carry out!

1/4 chicken (white) Meal \$12

1/4 chicken (dark) Meal \$12

1/2 chicken Meal \$16

Chicken Strips \$ 8

Child's Dinner (wing or drumstick) \$8

Meals include 3 sides, homemade dinner rolls, drink and dessert!

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.

Ministry Schedules

ST. BRIGID CHURCH						
September 14 & 15	Altar Server	Communion Minister	Usher	Lector	Greeter /Hospitality	Gift Bearer
4:30 p.m.	Jonah Obert Jenna Obert	Robin Mowen Stacy Clark	Ron Barry Dave Fessler Ava Fessler	Dave Fessler	Jeff & Jody Obert	Katie & Dennis Ippensen
7:30 a.m.	Dylan Hocking Mason Hocking	Dot Smith Vickie Cramsey	Greg Obert Ron Cramsey Mike Hummel	Nancy Boone	Greg & Nancy Obert	Gene & Lorrie Klauser

ST. JOSEPH CHURCH						
September 15	Altar Server	Communion Minister	Usher	Lector	Greeter /Hospitality	Gift Bearer
9:00 a.m.	Riggins Mock Asher Mock Quinn Luaders	Barb Frese Billie Huebotter	Kevin Walker Kenny Mock	Florence Dietrich		Walker & Mock Families

ST. EDWARD CHURCH						
September 15	Altar Server	Communion Minister	Rosary	Lector	Greeter /Hospitality	Gift Bearer
10:30 a.m.	Jillian Shaffer Meredith Shaffer Devin Shupe	Margie Kendrick Donna Voss	Donna Voss	Lori Hildebrand	Frazier Family	Kientzle Family
* Please continue passing the basket for collection.						



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.



ST. BRIGID – ST. EDWARD – ST. JOSEPH PARISH SCHOOL OF RELIGION (PSR)



PSR DATES TO REMEMBER:

Registration forms were due last week – please contact Emily if you missed the deadline!

September 8: St. Joseph's first day of PSR

September 8: St. Edward's 5-8 Graders first day of PSR

September 11: St. Brigid's first day of PSR

September 11: St. Edward's K-4 Graders first day of PSR

September 15: Catechetical Sunday (Catechists are what we call our religion teachers!)

September 15: St. Edward's fried chicken luncheon to celebrate milestone years of volunteering for:
Donna Voss (20 years), Margie Kendrick (20 years), Phil & Donna Freiburg (40 years) & Connie Bealor (40 years)!

Sacraments!

2nd Graders will be receiving the sacrament of First Reconciliation on Tuesday, March 18, 2025 at St. Joseph's Church.

Confirmation and First Communion will be on Saturday, May 31, 2025 at the Cathedral in Springfield.

If your child has NOT been Baptized, please contact Emily.

SAINT OF THE WEEK

On September 8, we celebrate Mary's Birthday. She was CHOSEN by God to be the MOTHER of JESUS before she was even BORN! To prepare Mary to receive His SON, God made her pure and without sin right from the first moment of her life. Joachim and Ann were Holy Jews who were waiting for the Messiah to come. God chose them to be the father and mother of Mary, who would become the mother of Christ!



Children's Masses

Children's Masses will take place the weekend of October 12 and 13 at 4:30 p.m. Mass for St. Brigid PSR, 9:00 a.m. Mass for St. Joseph PSR, and 10:30 a.m. Mass for St. Edward PSR.

We will assign all Mass roles to our PSR students. Please let Emily know ASAP if your child(ren) will NOT be able to attend so we make sure all roles are fulfilled. THANK YOU!

Sunday, September 8 Readings - FOR YOUTH!

Being able to hear is a wonderful gift from God. Imagine what it would be like if you couldn't hear anything! In today's Gospel reading, the people begged Jesus to heal a deaf man. What do you think it was like for that man when suddenly he could hear everything that was going around him?


God has given us the gift of hearing to be able to talk with and listen to other people, and to appreciate the sounds of creation. We use this gift to hear God's Word at Mass and when we are being taught.

Think of all the things that we can do because we can hear; we can listen to and play music, we can sing and talk with people, we can hear birds and wind in the trees, and we can also be warned of things like barking dogs or cars coming. Did you ever thank God for the gift of hearing? Thank Him today!

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