

# St. Brigid - St. Joseph - St. Edward

## CATHOLIC CHURCHES



**TRI-PARISH  
CATHOLIC  
CHURCHES**

**ST. BRIGID  
ST. JOSEPH  
ST. EDWARD THE  
CONFESSOR**

### 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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Fr. Scott Snider

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#### Location of Our Parishes

##### **St. Brigid Catholic Church**

706 N. Main St.  
Liberty, IL 62347

##### **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.  
Quincy, IL 62305

##### **Office Hours**

Wednesday 8am to 4 pm  
217-434-8442

##### **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**

**Hospitality—Prayer—Formation—Service**

# Pastor's Letter

**November 3, 2024—31st Sunday in Ordinary Time**

Dear Church Family,

Some people think that love is just a feeling that comes over us, something we just “fall into,” not something to which we need to give much thought or effort. But Jesus reminds us in our Gospel reading for today that real love is not as simple or as easy as that. In responding to a question about which is the first of all the commandments, Jesus responds with a quote from the book of Deuteronomy in the Old Testament, “The first is this: Hear, O Israel! The Lord our God is Lord alone! You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, with all your soul, with all your mind, and with all your strength.” That sounds like quite a workout to me!

Anyone who has been married for more than twenty minutes knows that maintaining a loving relationship takes real effort. The investment of time and energy to foster good communication, work through conflict, negotiate differences, and give and receive forgiveness is substantial. It is also the most rewarding thing that human beings do. We are social animals (even us introverts!) and we are made for communion with God and with our fellow human beings. We experience communion with God when we obey his revealed will and receive the grace of the sacraments which he has established as the channels by which his power and love flow into us. This communion with God connects us to the source of our being and grounds us in love. Connection with God feeds our souls and strengthens us so that we can love others more fully. That’s why Jesus’ answer to the question of which is the most important commandment doesn’t end with loving God with everything we’ve got, but also includes loving our neighbors as ourselves. The two are linked together. We are created by God, who is love, so that we can be extensions of his love in the world. Loving my neighbor as myself means that I recognize our common origin in God, that we all have the same needs, rights, and responsibilities, and if one of us is hurting or in need, we all suffer.

Building communion doesn’t just happen. It takes intentional effort and attention on our part. May God help us to stay close to him in prayer, study, and an active sacramental life so that we can show our love for him in acts of love and service to our neighbors.

Blessings,

Fr. Scott

Dear Parishioners,

After several months of prayer, I have decided to take a position at Unity Middle School that will start in Mid-November. I will be staying on staff for St. Brigid and St. Joseph for the remainder of the year to help keep things running/train the new person who takes the CRE position for these two parishes. I will remain the CRE for St. Edward’s PSR Program as a volunteer as a part of my stewardship commitment to my home parish.

I wanted to take this opportunity to thank all of you for welcoming me into your parishes, your constant support, and most importantly, allowing me to help educate your children! I have enjoyed getting to know all of you, and feel so blessed to have had this opportunity to grow in my own faith right alongside all of you!

Thank you,

Emily Wellman

## **Calendar**

### **Saturday, November 2**

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

### **Sunday, November 3**

7:30 a.m. Mass @ St. Brigid  
9:00 a.m. Mass @ St. Joseph—Mass of Remembrance  
10:30 a.m. Mass @ St. Edward—Mass of Remembrance  
12:00 p.m. Trap Shoot & Card Playing @ St. Joseph

### **Monday, November 4**

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

### **Tuesday, November 5**

7:15 a.m.—7:45 a.m. Reconciliation @ St. Edward  
8:00 a.m. Mass @ St. Edward

### **Wednesday, November 6**

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, November 7**

6:30 p.m. Holy Name @ St. Joseph

### **Friday, November 8**

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

### **Saturday, November 9**

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

### **Sunday, November 10**

7:30 a.m. Mass @ St. Brigid  
9:00 a.m. Mass @ St. Joseph  
10:30 a.m. Mass @ St. Edward

### **Monday, November 11**

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

### **Tuesday, November 12**

7:15 a.m.—7:45 a.m. Reconciliation @ St. Edward  
8:00 a.m. Mass @ St. Edward

### **Wednesday, November 13**

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, November 14**

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

### **Friday, November 15**

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

## **Mass Intentions**

### **SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 2**

4:30 p.m.—St. Brigid: +*Lucille Grawe*

### **SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 3**

7:30 a.m.—St. Brigid: +*Paul Barry*

9:00 a.m.—St. Joseph: +*Virgil & Millie Bockhold*

10:30 a.m.—St. Edward: +*Doris Cornwell*

### **MONDAY, NOVEMBER 4**

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

### **TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 5**

8:00 a.m.—St. Edward: +*Robert Richmiller*  
+*Karen Shaffer*

### **WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 6**

8:00 a.m.—St. Joseph: *Florence Griesbaum*

### **FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 8**

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

### **SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 9**

4:30 p.m.—St. Brigid: +*Glenn & Mary Ann Loos &*  
+*Jackie Taylor*

### **SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 10**

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

9:00 a.m.—St. Joseph: +*Ron Wiewel*

10:30 a.m.—St. Edward: +*Carolyn Ellerman*

## **Parish Support: October 27**

St. Brigid \$ 3,857.75

St. Edward \$ 1,709.50

St. Joseph \$ 2,394.00

*Thank you for your generous support!*



## **Baptisms**

Jordan Elliot Oenning & Jocelyn Anne Oenning,  
Children of Justin & Jean Oenning of St. Edward

## **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!

## **Bulletin Deadline**

All information must be submitted by noon on Tuesday.

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





## Evangelization Team

We are putting together an Evangelization Team. What is this? It is a group of people that will come together to brainstorm ideas and make sure we have opportunities available for our parishes for all ages to strengthen their faith/spirituality. The Committee will meet 2-4 times per year for one hour. We need people from all ages and backgrounds to be involved. Please contact the office or Emily at [ewellman.bej@gmail.com](mailto:ewellman.bej@gmail.com) if you are interested in being a part of this team.



### What Angels and Demons Can and Cannot Do –

Angels, guardian angels, the devil, demons. What can they spiritual powers do and not do? How can they impact our lives for the better or worse? What about being possessed and needing an exorcism? Father Chris House, who has given a presentation on angels and demons breaks it down. Go to [youtube.com/diospringfield](https://www.youtube.com/diospringfield) or search “Dive Deep” on all the major podcast platforms to listen and subscribe. *Dive Deep* is the podcast of the Diocese of Springfield in Illinois.

**ST. JOSEPH ANNUAL  
HOLY NAME TRAP SHOOT  
TWO TRAPS**



**SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 3, 2024**

**Trap Shooting and Card Playing  
Prizes  
Bacon**

**STARTING AT NOON**  
**1435 E. 1500<sup>th</sup> St., Quincy, Il.**  
**217-434-8442**

**Soup – Sandwiches – Drinks**  
**All are welcome!**

*Trapshooting has been a sport since the late 18th century!*



GOOD STEWARDSHIP

## Stewardship Packet

Don't forget to fill out your Stewardship sheets and mail to the office or drop in the collection plate.

## Quincy Deanery Council of Catholic Women's Fall Gathering

Wednesday, November 13 at  
St. Thomas Church, Camp Point.

**Theme:** Prayer in the Catholic Tradition

**Featured speaker:** Fr. Mark Schulte, Pastor St. Mary's Church Pittsfield

7:45-8:30 Registration -Cost \$10 for breakfast & lunch

8:30 Rosary and Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament with Mass to follow

10:00 a.m. Breakfast, meeting and Lunch.

Ends approximately 2:00 p.m.

Contact Claudia Coggeshall QDCCW President  
217-653-6716 for questions.

## Online Giving

Our new online giving links are now LIVE. Below are the links:

<https://pushpay.com/g/stbrigidliberty>

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<https://pushpay.com/g/stjosephquincy>

It will walk you through setting up your giving account.





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## How to Win an Argument Without Losing a Soul by Matt Fradd

Whether you're arguing with family members or Facebook friends, skeptical co-workers in the office or pushy proselytizers at your front door, it helps to have not only the facts but the skills for presenting your points forcefully and well. In *How to Win an Argument Without Losing a Soul*, Matt Fradd equips you with the powers of argumentation you need to be an effective debater and the right attitude for doing it with charity, humility, and patience.

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## QCES Mass Attendance Cards

Mass attendance cards are available at the back of church.

## Stewardship Reflection

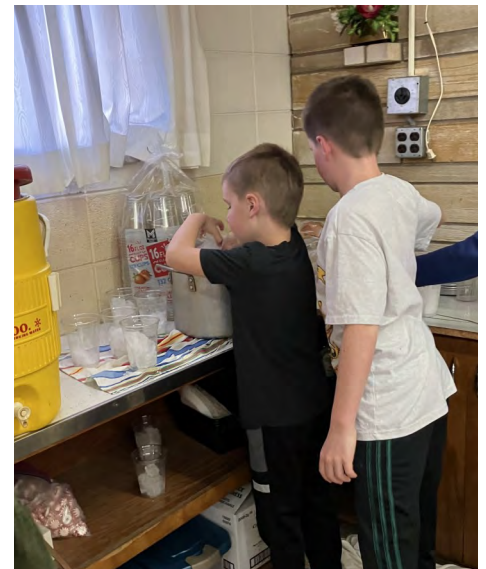
“And ‘to love him with all your heart, with all your understanding, with all your strength, and to love your neighbor as yourself’ is worth more than all the burnt offerings and sacrifices.” (Mark 12:33)

## Cursillo Weekends Are Powerful!

Women's Cursillo #372 will be held November 7 - 10 at the Quincy University Retreat Center. On a Cursillo you will be guided by a priest, deacon and trained laity, in a prayerful and sacramental environment, to evaluate yourself, your relationship with God, to discern how God is calling you to influence your family, your work environment, your neighborhood and the world. There are registration forms in the back of church. For more information please contact Connie Bealor 217-440-6886.

Of all the gifts that God gives us, the one He wants the most is our heart. He wants us to share out of our love for Him, not out of obligation. Using our talent in parish ministry and contributing money to support our parish mission is important, but it's more important to spend time in prayer with God daily and discern how He is calling us to be generous with all of our gifts. Not just the visible ones, but the invisible ones like love, mercy and forgiveness.

## St. Edward—Turkey Dinner



# Ministry Schedules

ST. BRIGID CHURCH						
November 9 & 10	Altar Server	Communion Minister	Usher	Lector	Greeter /Hospitality	Gift Bearer
4:30 p.m.	Jonah Obert Jenna Obert	Norma Neisen Theresa Neisen Need 1 more	Ron Barry Dan Kramer Randy Maas	Kristin Obert	Jeff & Jody Obert	Pam & Jerry Totsch
7:30 a.m.	Dylan Hocking Mason Hocking	Vickie Cramsey Brandy Hocking	Justin Mewes Kyle Leonard David Dodd	Nancy Boone	Norm & Nancy Boone	Greg & Nancy Obert

ST. JOSEPH CHURCH						
November 10	Altar Server	Communion Minister	Usher	Lector	Greeter /Hospitality	Gift Bearer
9:00 a.m.	Riggins Mock Asher Mock McCoy Mock	Barb Frese Cheryl Mock Brenda Siebers	Ted Mast Kenny Mast	Stan Frese		Mast Family

ST. EDWARD CHURCH						
November 10	Altar Server	Communion Minister	Rosary	Lector	Greeter /Hospitality	Gift Bearer
10:30 a.m.	Olivia Shaffer Willow Shaffer Jaxson Tuter	Lindsey Cornwell Tracy Cornwell Phil Hildebrand Jr.	Cindy Betz	Ashley Shaffer	Felde Family	Rusty Voss Family

\* Please continue passing the basket for collection.

## 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.

## Job Opening—Administrative Assistant in the St. Francis Parish Office

This is a great opportunity to join a friendly, supportive office committed to carrying out the work of our parish.

Duties include answering the phone in a respectful and welcoming manner, assisting in the scheduling and paperwork of events such as marriages, funerals and baptisms and maintaining the parish center calendar.

The successful applicant will have a strong attention to detail with a deep commitment to excellent customer service.

Clerical experience is a plus, along with basic computer skills and the ability to learn our new software, Parish Staq.

Must be an active member in good standing of the Roman Catholic Church.

If you are interested in this part-time position please send a resume to [church@stfrancissolanus.com](mailto:church@stfrancissolanus.com) or mail it to the parish office.



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



## PSR DATES TO REMEMBER:

**November 20:** Decorate Jesse Tree Ornaments at St. Brigid & St. Edward K-4 PSR (ALL ARE WELCOME!)

**November 24:** Decorate Jesse Tree Ornaments at St. Joseph & St. Edward 5-8th PSR (ALL ARE WELCOME!)

**November 27:** NO PSR, Thanksgiving Break

**December 1:** NO PSR, Thanksgiving Break

**December 1:** Advent Begins

**December 15:** St. Joseph Christmas Play,

**December 18:** St. Edward PSR Christmas Caroling

**December 18:** St. Brigid PSR Nativity Play

**December 22-January 1:** NO PSR, Christmas Break

**January 4:** St. Edward Epiphany Play Dress Rehearsal, 10-11 a.m.

**January 5:** St. Edward Epiphany Play

**For PSR Newsletters go to: [stsbej.org](http://stsbej.org)**

## **Confirmation Service Project**

Now that we are entering into the holiday season, it is a great time to think about your Confirmation Service Project with your sponsor! Thanksgiving reminds us of all the wonderful gifts God has given us to be thankful for! If you don't have an idea already for your project, then think of some of the opportunities available this time of year:

- Ringing the Bell for Salvation Army
- Helping at Horizons Soup Kitchen
- Volunteer at a local food pantry.
- Take an "Angel" off an Angel Tree and buy a Christmas gift for a family in need.
- Donate toys to Toys for Tots/volunteer.
- Sing Christmas Carols/Make Christmas Cards for Shut-ins/People in Nursing Homes

These projects are due April 8.

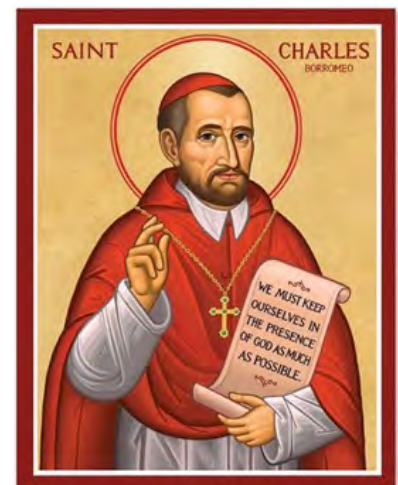
Contact Emily with any questions!

## **SAINT OF THE WEEK**

### **Saint Charles Borromeo**

Saint Charles Borromeo's feast day is November 4. He believed in living every aspect of his life for the greater glory of God. St. Charles (1538-1584) was the son of a count and sister of Pope Pius IV. Raised in luxury and prestige, he gave up his title and honors to become a priest, and later was named archbishop. Much of his life was spent dealing with disasters such as the plague and widespread famine. At one time, he was feeding 3,000 people a day!

St. Charles oversaw the creation of the catechism, missal and breviary called for by the Council of Trent. His work led to the creation of the prototype for our religious education programs.



## **Sunday, November 3 Readings – FOR YOUTH!**

Mark 12: 28-34


In today's Gospel reading, one of the scribes asked Jesus what was the most important commandment of God. Jesus told him that the most important rule was to love God with everything – our heart, our soul, our mind, and all our strength. The next most important rule is to love others as much as we love ourselves. God made us to love Him. We will never be really happy unless we do. But if we keep God first in our lives, then everything else will happen the way God wants it to. If we love God first, then we can love others the way God asks.

What can you do to keep God first in your life? How about saying a prayer as soon as you wake up in the morning, and last thing before you go to bed at night?

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