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CATHOLIC CHURCHES



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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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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

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217-645-3546

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Pastor's Letter

December 1, 2024—1st Sunday of Advent

Dear Church Family,

There are two main themes of the season of Advent, which begins today. The first is the theme of preparing ourselves for the return of Christ at the end of time, the Day of the Lord. God's promise to reconcile and renew all of Creation will finally be accomplished. The second theme of Advent is to prepare ourselves to celebrate the Nativity of the Lord. We remember with awe and wonder how the eternally begotten Son, the second person of the Holy Trinity took on human flesh and became a helpless, vulnerable little child so that the whole world might be redeemed by his sacrificial life, death, and resurrection.

The birth of Christ in Bethlehem was the beginning of the end of the world as we know it. We don't know when the final day will come, but it is coming, and the question is will we be ready? Jesus tells us to "Be watchful! Be alert!" We prepare ourselves for that day by carrying out the mission of telling the world about Christ and living out his love in the world. It was the love of God that brought Jesus from heaven and it is the love of God living in us, active in our love for him and for each other that will bring us to heaven.

As we look around us today, there is so much uncertainty and fear. We worry about environmental concerns, political and social upheaval, economic problems and more. These are real causes for concern and if we are truly living the love of God, we need to work together to address them for the good of all humankind and in witness to the goodness of God. But the Christian believer is not overwhelmed by fear because our hope is not in the world as it is, but in the world as it will be when Christ comes again, and the promises of God are fulfilled. The very things that tempt others to give in to despair are just reminders to the Christian of the impermanence of the current way of the world. We persevere in doing good and pursuing what is right in anticipation of our Lord's return. We stand tall and look up in hope because we know a better day and a better way are coming. "What I say to you, I say to all: Watch!"

Blessings,

Fr. Scott

December 9—Immaculate Conception Mass

When the Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception falls on an Advent Sunday it is transferred to the Monday.

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

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

Coordinator of Religious Education Needed

We are in search of a new Coordinator of Religious Education for St. Brigid and St. Joseph parishes. Duties include managing all aspects of our Parish School of Religion and sacramental preparations. This is a part time paid position. For more information contact Fr. Scott at 217-645-3444 or ssnider0528@gmail.com

Bulletin Deadline

All information must be submitted by noon on Tuesday.

Submit to: church@stsbej.org

Stewardship Packet

Don't forget to fill out your Stewardship sheets and mail to the office or drop in the collection plate. We are looking for a good turn out. Even if you are not involved in any activities, we still want to hear from you.

Calendar

Saturday, November 30

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

4:30 p.m.—Mass @ St. Brigid

Sunday, December 1

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

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

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

Monday, December 2

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

Tuesday, December 3

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

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

Wednesday, December 4

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

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

Cookie Baking after 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, December 5

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

Friday, December 6—First Friday

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

Adoration to follow Mass until 12 p.m.

Saturday, December 7

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

4:30 p.m.—Mass @ St. Brigid

Sunday, December 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

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

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

Monday, December 9—Solemnity of the

Immaculate Conception

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

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

Tuesday, December 10

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

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

6:30 p.m. Tri-Parish Penance Service @ St. Joseph

Wednesday, December 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, December 12

6:00 p.m. Altar Society Christmas Party @ St. Joseph

Friday, December 13

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

Mass Intentions

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 30

4:30 p.m.—St. Brigid: +Harold Sibers

+Trina Logan

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 1

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

Leroy Lentz and Leon Lentz

9:00 a.m.—St. Joseph: + Jason Ohnemus

10:30 a.m.—St. Edward: +Frank Calkins

+Karen Shaffer

MONDAY, DECEMBER 2

6:30 p.m.—St. Brigid: +Rose Mary Howell

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 3

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

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 4

8:00 a.m.—St. Joseph: +Terry Wieholer

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 6—First Friday

8:00 a.m.—St. Edward: +Howard Niekamp

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 7

4:30 p.m.—St. Brigid: +Robert Richmiller

+Trina Logan

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 8

7:30 a.m.—St. Brigid: +Mary Jo Obert

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

10:30 a.m.—St. Edward: +Vern Shaffer

+Alvenia Richmiller

Parish Support: November 24

St. Brigid \$ 3,008.61

St. Edward \$ 3,893.00

St. Joseph \$ 1,840.00

Thank you for your generous support!

All Collections included in total this week.

Diocese Special Collections

Retirement Fund For Religious—December 8

Your contributions to the Retirement Fund for Religious play a vital role in providing necessary financial support. This support enables religious communities to care for their aging members while ensuring that the younger generation can carry forward the invaluable work of their elders.

Sincerely yours in Christ,

Most Reverend Thomas John Paprocki

Rest in Peace

Please pray for the repose of the soul of
Kenneth Wiewel, who died recently.
Eternal rest, grant unto him, O Lord.

ST. JOSEPH'S PSR CHRISTMAS Program!

Please join us on Sunday, December 15 after 9 a.m. Mass for our St. Joseph PSR Christmas Program. To honor Jesus' birthday, please bring an unwrapped baby gift (diapers, wipes, etc.) or a monetary donation that will be donated to families in need in honor of our Blessed Savior!
After the program, we will enjoy a meal together donated by the Altar Society!

EVERYONE IS WELCOME!!!

St. Brigid's Nativity Play

Wednesday, December 18 at 6:00 p.m. (Please have PSR students at church at 5:40 to have time to get into costumes). The play will be in St. Brigid's Church, meal directly to follow in the hall!

ALL ARE WELCOME!

Please bring a salad or dessert to share!
FREE-WILL donation to help with main dish!

St. Joseph DONUT Social



Please join us after Mass
December 8, 2024

for our Donut Social in the Church Hall.
Come visit with other parishioners
and enjoy a donut!

~ St. Joseph
Altar Society

Thank You

Thank you to all the ladies and men who helped out with our St. Brigid Church cleaning day last Friday! See you next Friday.



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Stewardship Reflection

"But when these signs begin to happen, stand erect and raise your heads because your redemption is at hand." (Luke 21:28)

We celebrate Advent each year in preparation for the birth of Jesus, His first coming, as we await His second coming. What will you do differently this Advent season to grow in friendship and love with Jesus? How will you inspire others to do the same? Start by sharing your God story with others, especially those that are closest to you. Invite and accompany them on their faith journey this Advent.

St. Anthony Pancake & Sausage Breakfast

St. Anthony Men's Society Pancake & Sausage Breakfast will be Sunday, December 8, 7 a.m. noon. Adults \$12, Children \$6 (under 5 free).

Dine in or carry out.

Advance meat orders:

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Orders will be taken from November 1-December 1 or until 2000 lbs. are sold!

The Ladies Society will be holding a free will offering Bake Sale at the Breakfast.

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



Christmas Program Dress Rehearsal Schedules & Program Dates ALL ARE WELCOME! Please sign up in the church vestibule so we have an accurate head-count for food!		
St. Brigid Wednesday, December 11 During PSR, 6:30-7:45 p.m. Do not need to bring anything, please be on time!	St. Edward Saturday, January 4 10:00-11:00 a.m. in Hall Do not need to bring anything, please be on time!	St. Joseph Sunday, December 8 During PSR, 10-11:15 a.m. 5-8 th graders bring talent props Please be on time!
St. Brigid NATIVITY PLAY Wednesday, December 18 Play starts at 6 p.m. Students in hall by 5:40 p.m.	St. Edward EPIPHANY PLAY Sunday, January 5 Lunch Directly after 10:30 Mass	St. Joseph CHRISTMAS PROGRAM Sunday, December 15 Directly after 9:00 Mass

St. Brigid Jesse Tree Decorating



Sunday, December 1 Readings – FOR YOUTH!

Today is the beginning of Advent, the time when we prepare for Christmas.

The word "advent" comes from the Latin word that means "coming". In Advent we are preparing for Jesus' coming. We look forward to Christmas, which is the celebration of His first coming and we also look forward to His second coming.

Did you know that the most important thing to have ready for Christmas is a clean soul?

During Advent you can try extra hard to be good. It is also a very good idea to go to confession before Christmas so that your soul will be good and clean when Jesus comes!

PSR DATES TO REMEMBER:

- December 1:** Advent Begins
 - December 15:** St. Joseph Christmas PSR Program
 - 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**

Ministry Schedules

ST. BRIGID CHURCH						
December 7 & 8	Altar Server	Communion Minister	Usher	Lector	Greeter /Hospitality	Gift Bearer
4:30 p.m.	Jonah Obert Jenna Obert	Robin Mowen Stacy Clark Norma Niesen	Ron Barry Dan Kramer Randy Maas	Jeff Obert	Dave & Angela Obert	Jeff & Jody Obert
7:30 a.m.	Dylan Hocking Mason Hocking	Nancy Obert Dot Smith	Ron Cramsey Mike Hummel Justin Mewes	Nancy Boone	Greg & Nancy Obert	Gene & Lorrie Klausner

ST. JOSEPH CHURCH						
December 8	Altar Server	Communion Minister	Usher	Lector	Greeter /Hospitality	Gift Bearer
9:00 a.m.	Riggins Mock Asher Mock McCoy Mock	Greg White Krista White Jeanne Cramsey	Mike Moore Andy Moore	Dennis Neisen		Moore Families

ST. EDWARD CHURCH						
December 8	Altar Server	Communion Minister	Rosary	Lector	Greeter /Hospitality	Gift Bearer
10:30 a.m.	Wyatt Dedert Alivia Felde Allie Felde	Tracy Cornwell Jeannie Hildebrand Phil Hildebrand Jr.	Connie Bealor	Austin Cornwell	Kientzle Family	Jason Fleer Family
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10:15 am, St. Joseph

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January 12, 13, & 14

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7 pm

Sermon on the Mount



Monday, Jan. 13
7 pm

Hollywood vs. Faith



Tuesday, Jan. 14
7 pm


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