

# 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.  
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**

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217-645-3546

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# Pastor's Letter

March 2, 2025—8th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Dear Church Family,

In our Gospel reading for today Jesus says, "Can a blind person guide a blind person? Will not both fall into a pit? No disciple is superior to the teacher; but when fully trained, every disciple will be like his teacher." Choosing the right guide or the right teacher is essential to getting where we want to go or learning how to get through life.

Our guide and our teacher is Christ. In him we have the perfect example of what a full human life looks like. He showed us that the way to get the most out of life is to give ourselves away in love and the way to be truly free is to do the will of the Father. That's what his own life was all about.

We know that the best leaders and teachers are the ones who lead by example and that's just what Jesus did. We see in Scripture how Jesus stayed close to the Father in prayer, helped those in need through miracles of healing, and offered his life as a sacrifice for the world. His life is the template for every Christian. We may never achieve the perfection of Christ but he has given us the goal to strive for.

This week we begin the season of Lent. God invites the church to renew our efforts to pattern our life after that of Jesus by our Lenten disciplines of prayer, which builds up our personal relationship with him, fasting and other penances, by which we sacrifice our comfort as a sign of our sorrow for our sins and in recognition of our dependence on God alone, and almsgiving, through which we stand together with those in need. We do these things because Jesus did them. He prayed constantly. He gave his life on the cross as a penance, not for his own sins, but for ours. He showed compassion to all. If we follow him in these practices, we shall also follow him into eternal life. With Jesus as our guide and teacher, may this Lent bring us closer to the joy of the resurrection.

Blessings,

Fr. Scott

## Journey of Faith

Fr. Scott will once again be offering the Journey of Faith class on Mondays at 7 p.m. in the parish hall at St. Brigid's. This class is for anyone who would like to learn more about the teachings of the Catholic Church. If you are thinking about becoming Catholic, or know someone who is, this is the way to do it. If you have been Catholic all your life, but want to know more about the faith, this class is for you. Have questions? Great! Come find some answers. Classes will begin on Monday, March 24 and run through the end of May. Sign up sheets are in the back of church so that we can have enough materials for everyone.



## **Calendar**

### **Saturday, March 1**

4:00 p.m. Mass @ St. Joseph  
4:30 p.m. Mass @ St. Brigid  
5:00 p.m. Shrimp Boil @ St. Joseph

### **Sunday, March 2**

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, March 3**

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

### **Tuesday, March 4**

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

### **Wednesday, March 5—Ash Wednesday**

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  
3:45 p.m. Mass @ St. Edward  
7:00 p.m. Mass @ St. Brigid

### **Thursday, March 6**

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

### **Friday, March 7—First Friday**

8:00 a.m. Mass @ St. Edward  
Adoration to follow Mass until 12 p.m.

### **Saturday, March 8**

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

### **Sunday, March 9**

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, March 10**

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

### **Tuesday, March 11**

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

### **Wednesday, March 12**

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, March 13**

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

### **Friday, March 14**

8:00 a.m. Mass @ St. Brigid  
5:00 p.m. Fish Fry @ St. Brigid

## **Mass Intentions**

### **SATURDAY, MARCH 1**

4:00 p.m.—St. Joseph: +*Jim & Betty Brinkman*

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

### **SUNDAY, MARCH 2**

7:30 a.m.—St. Brigid: +*George Schneider*

+*Herman & Rita Huber*

9:00 a.m.—St. Joseph: +*Thomas Shade*

10:30 a.m.—St. Edward: *For the People of Our Parishes*

### **MONDAY, MARCH 3**

6:30 p.m.—St. Brigid: +*Clara Neisen*

### **TUESDAY, MARCH 4**

8:00 a.m.—St. Edward: +*Bill Binger*

### **WEDNESDAY, MARCH 5**

8:00 a.m.—St. Joseph: +*Jason Ohnemus*

3:45 p.m.—St. Edward: +*Vivian Dickerman*

7:00 p.m.—St. Brigid: +*Joan Siebers*

### **FRIDAY, MARCH 7—First Friday**

8:00 a.m.—St. Edward: +*Terri Frese*

### **SATURDAY, MARCH 8**

4:30 p.m.—St. Brigid: +*Iris Schoonover*

### **SUNDAY, MARCH 9**

7:30 a.m.—St. Brigid: +*Roger Hummel*

9:00 a.m.—St. Joseph: +*Nick Dietrich*

+*Mike Frese*

10:30 a.m.—St. Edward: *For the People of Our Parishes*

## **Parish Support: February 23**

St. Brigid \$ 3,663.00

St. Edward \$ 2,427.00

St. Joseph \$ 2,769.00

*Thank you for your generous support!*

*All Collections included in total this week*

## **Rest in Peace**

Please pray for the repose of the souls of  
Eugene Esselman and Ann Faubel, who died recently.  
Eternal rest, grant unto them, O Lord.

## **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](mailto:ssnider0528@gmail.com)



## Baptisms

Harvey Douglas Herzog,  
Son of Ryan & Paige Herzog at St. Joseph



Please join us after Mass  
**March 2, 2025**

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

~ St. Joseph  
Altar Society

## Stewardship Reflection

“A good tree does not bear rotten fruit, nor does a rotten tree bear good fruit.” – LUKE 6:43

Are you using your gifts in the way God intended? Have you asked God how He would like you to use them? Do you compare yourself to others and complain about what you don't have instead of being thankful for what you do have? God gives each of us unique gifts and a unique plan. Listen to how God is calling you to use your gifts, to bear good fruit, for the glory of His name.

## Please Remember to Pray For:

Daran Knuffman	Joe Rice	Ryan Wiemelt
Zoey Obert	Linda Windoffer	Scottie Bastert
Julia Winfield	Monica Mast	Bernice Dittmer
Haddlei Burnett	Bonnie Johnson	Linda Howe
Jim Steinkamp	Elizabeth Leonard	Joann Walton
Kayle Sheely	Ben Venvertloh	Kent Hilgenbrinck
John Kroner	Ripken Rangel	Alicia Blewett
Marvin Meyer	Maurie Koch	Jim Wilson
Carl Schisler	Tony Peters	Connie Dietrich
Rachel Cramsey	Joy Huebotter	Virginia Berhorst
Ginny Brinkman	Raleigh Bess	Corey Sheurman
Denny Meyer	Karen Woodworth	Kenneth Neisen
Rosie Miller	Doug Woodworth	

Please contact us, if we need to remove your name from our prayer list.

# St. Brigid Church

Hwy. 104, Liberty, IL

# Fish Fry

Friday, March 14, 2025

5:00 – 7:30 PM

Adults-\$12 • Ages 6-12-\$8 • 5 & under-Free

**All you can eat**



Carryouts Available • Wheelchair Accessible

## Desserts Needed for Fish Fry

Please get all donated items to the church or hall by March 2. Donated desserts needed for the Annual St. Brigid Fish Fry on March 14. Drop off anytime on that day. We appreciate all your support!

## The Way of the Cross

Mark your calendars and plan to attend this special concert to make the Stations of the Cross like you never have before! St. Anthony Ladies Society is bringing Donna Cori to St. Anthony's to help enrichen your Lenten journey. **"The Way of the Cross"** – a song for each station", is a concert and video experience offered by internationally known Catholic recording artist, Donna Cori. Be transported directly to the heart of Jesus with a voice and performance that will & quote: blow you away." Sunday, March 30 at 2:00 p.m. at St. Anthony of Padua Church, 2223 St. Anthony Road, Quincy, IL 62305. For more information 222-5996. Preview and get free music downloads at [www.DonnaCori.com](http://www.DonnaCori.com). You will not want to miss this. Bring your family and friends!

# FISH FRYS

**March 1** - St. Joseph Shrimp Boil & Fish Fry 5 pm  
1435 E. 1500th St., Quincy, IL

**March 5** - St. Francis Parish Center, 4:30- 7:30 pm  
1721 College Ave, Quincy, IL

**March 5** - Blessed Sacrament, 4-7 pm  
1115 S. 7th St., Quincy, IL

**March 7** - St. Dominic School, 4:30-7 pm  
4100 Columbus Rd, Quincy, IL

**March 7** - Holy Family Church, 5-7 pm  
401 W. North St., Mt. Sterling,

**March 14** - St. Thomas Church, 4-7 pm  
109 E. Spring, Camp Point, IL

**March 14** - St. Brigid Church, 5-7:30 pm  
Hwy 104, Liberty, IL

**March 14** - St. Anthony Church, 4:30-7 pm  
2223 St. Anthony Rd, Quincy, IL

**March 21** - St. Dominic School, 4:30-7 pm  
4100 Columbus Rd, Quincy, IL

**March 28** - St. Anthony Church, 4:30-7 pm  
2223 St. Anthony Rd, Quincy, IL

**April 4** - St. Dominic School, 4:30-7 pm  
4100 Columbus Rd, Quincy, IL

**April 11** - St. Anthony Church, 4:30-7 pm  
2223 St. Anthony Rd, Quincy, IL

## St. Patrick's Day Dinner

 **MONDAY, MARCH 17, 2025** 

11am to 6pm

St. Rose Parish Hall - 715 Chestnut, Quincy

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Corned Beef & Cabbage, Mashed Potatoes, and Apple or Cherry Pie

Beef

German Sausage & Sauerkraut, Mashed Potatoes, and Apple or Cherry Pie

Pork

1/2 Beef/Cabbage  
1/2 Sausage/Kraut  
Mashed Potatoes, & Apple or Cherry Pie

Mix

### 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 every month.

Thank You for your generosity!

### 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 April 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!

### 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](http://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: March 9-10**

# Ministry Schedules

ST. BRIGID CHURCH						
	Altar Server	Communion Minister	Usher	Lector	Greeter /Hospitality	Gift Bearer
<b>Ash Wednesday</b> <b>March 5</b> <b>7 p.m.</b>	Kade Klauser Jenna Obert Jonah Obert	Angela Obert Stacy Clark Robin Mowen	Mara Ippensen Dan Kramer Mike Maas	John Clark	Dennis & Katie Ippensen	Ron & Rose Barry
<b>Saturday,</b> <b>March 8</b> <b>4:30 p.m.</b>	Harper Obert Owen Potter	Debbie Maas Mike Maas Norma Neisen	Laura Maas Randy Maas Dave Obert	Rich Cramsey	Dan Kramer	John & Cathy Zanger
<b>Sunday,</b> <b>March 9</b> <b>7:30 a.m.</b>	Dylan Hocking Mason Hocking	Brandy Hocking Dot Smith	Greg Obert Michael Obert Barb Obert	Justin Mewes	Greg & Nancy Obert	Gene & Lori Klauser

ST. JOSEPH CHURCH						
	Altar Server	Communion Minister	Usher	Lector	Greeter /Hospitality	Gift Bearer
<b>Ash Wednesday</b> <b>March 5</b> <b>8 a.m.</b>	Isabella Neisen	Greg White Krista White Jeanne Cramsey	Kevin Walker Kenny Mock	Abigail Hildebrand		Walker/Mock Families
<b>March 9</b> <b>9:00 a.m.</b>	Riggins Mock Asher Mock McCoy Mock	T. Mast Pat Genenbacher Billie Huebotter	Dan Mock Paul Mock	Dan Frese		Mock Family

ST. EDWARD CHURCH						
	Altar Server	Communion Minister	Rosary	Lector	Greeter /Hospitality	Gift Bearer
<b>Ash Wednesday</b> <b>March 5</b> <b>3:45 p.m.</b>	Braylee Brackensick Erin Cornwell Wyatt Dedert	Jeannie Hildebrand Breanne Kelly Margie Kendrick	Connie Bealor	Lisa Thompson	Fred Kientzle Family	Kasey Cornwell Family
<b>March 9</b> <b>10:30 a.m.</b>	Alivia Felde Allie Felde Austin Frese	Phil Hildebrand Jr. Lori Hildebrand Donna Voss	Cindy Betz	Rita Blickhan	Phil & Lori Hildebrand	Jason Fleer Family
<b>* Please continue passing the basket for collection.</b>						

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



## ALL PSR SECOND GRADERS

First Reconciliation is on Tuesday, **March 18** at St. Joseph at 6 p.m. There will be an ice cream party to follow!

## St. Brigid PSR

**March 26**—Mass Practice

**March 29 at 4:30 p.m.**—Children's Mass

Several will be fulfilling the ministries of readers, ushers, and gift bearers and ALL will be singing some special songs, so we hope everyone will be able to be there.

## St. Edward PSR

**March 5 (Ash Wednesday):** St. Edward's K-4 will go to Mass as a group at 3:45. PSR will be released when Mass is over, all are welcome to Mass!

**March 30:** St. Edward's Children's Mass. Please make sure your child(ren) arrive 10-15 minutes before 10:30 Mass! Let Emily know if you are unable to attend!

## St. Joseph PSR

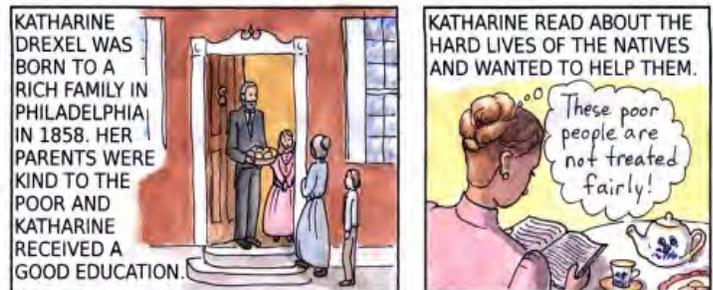
**March 23**—Mass Practice

**March 30**—Children's Mass

Several will be fulfilling the ministries of readers, ushers, and gift bearers and ALL will be singing some special songs, so we hope everyone will be able to be there.

**Station of the Cross during Lent**—The children will be participating in the Stations of the Cross during Lent. We encourage everyone else to stay and join them!

## Saint Katharine Drexel March 3



ST. KATHARINE GAVE UP A HUGE FORTUNE AND COMFORTABLE LIFE TO HELP THE LESS FORTUNATE IN HER COUNTRY. WOULD YOU DO THAT IF YOU HAD MILLIONS OF DOLLARS? OUR LORD SAYS IT IS HARD FOR THE RICH TO ENTER HEAVEN, BUT SAINT KATHARINE SHOWS THAT THEY CAN CHOOSE TO BE HOLY TOO.

## Ash Wednesday, March 5 - FOR YOUTH!

This Wednesday is the first day of Lent, Ash Wednesday. Lent is a special time when we prepare ourselves for Good Friday and Easter Sunday.

If you go to Mass on Ash Wednesday, the priest will make a cross on your forehead with ashes. The ashes remind us that people were made from the dust of the ground and that some day we will die and go back into the ground.

It is good for us to remember that we will die one day. It helps us realize that God put us here and that we need Him all the time. If we remember how much we need God then we will think of Him more and love Him more.

What is something you can do this Lent to remind yourselves everyday that you need God?

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