

# 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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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**

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# Pastor's Letter

June 1, 2025—Ascension of the Lord

Dear Church Family,

The Solemnity of the Ascension of the Lord, which we celebrate today, is probably the most underappreciated solemnity in the church calendar. It kind of gets lost between Easter and Pentecost. Today we remember the day that Jesus Christ, forty days after his resurrection, was taken up bodily into heaven and took his place at the right hand of the Father. The meaning of this event is astonishing.

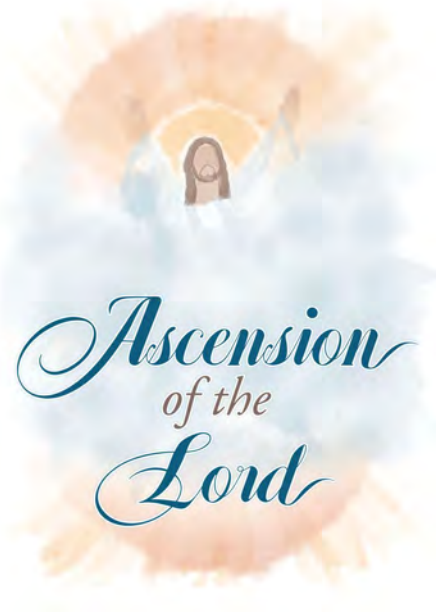
In the fourteenth chapter of John's Gospel Jesus says, "In my Father's house there are many dwelling places. If there were not, would I have told you that I am going to prepare a place for you? And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come back again and take you to myself so that where I am you also may be." The Ascension is the fulfillment of Jesus promise to go and prepare a place for us.

When Jesus returns to the Father, it isn't just his divine nature that enters heaven, it's his whole self. His human body and soul are also now seated at the right hand of the Father. In a mysterious way, God has made "space" within himself for humankind. The heart of God has been opened up, like the side of Christ on the cross pierced by the lance, and we are invited in. At Christmas we celebrate the humanization of the divine. At the Ascension we celebrate the divinization of the human. These two unfathomable mysteries serve as bookends to our Lord's ministry on earth.

When Jesus was taken up into heaven the disciples watched in awe and then returned to Jerusalem with joy. May that same awe and joy fill us as we reflect on the greatness of the unimaginable gift we have received from our Lord who lived, died, rose, ascended, and will one day return to bring us home to the heart of God.

Blessings,

Fr. Scott



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## Mary | What Catholics Believe

Join Dr. Edward Sri as he answers some of the internet's most asked questions about Mary. Who is Mary? Why do Catholics pray to Mary? How could she be a virgin if Jesus had brothers and sisters according to the Bible? Find out answers to these and more questions in this episode of What Catholics Believe.

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## Calendar

### Saturday, May 31

Confirmation/First Communion @ Springfield  
3:45 p.m.—4:15 p.m. Reconciliation @ St. Brigid  
4:30 p.m. Mass @ St. Brigid

### Sunday, June 1

7:30 a.m. Mass @ St. Brigid  
\*Solemn of Holy Communion Mass  
\*9:00 a.m. Mass @ St. Joseph, Donut Social to follow  
\*10:30 a.m. Mass @ St. Edward

### Monday, June 2

No Mass

### Tuesday, June 3

No Mass

### Wednesday, June 4

No Mass

### Friday, June 6

No Mass

### Saturday, June 7

3:45 p.m.—4:15 p.m. Reconciliation @ St. Brigid  
\*Solemn of Holy Communion Mass  
\*4:30 p.m. Mass @ St. Brigid

### Sunday, June 8

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

### Monday, June 9

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

### Tuesday, June 10

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

### Wednesday, June 11

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

### Thursday, June 12

6:00 p.m. Wedding Rehearsal @ St. Joseph

### Friday, June 13

8:00 a.m. Mass @ St. Brigid  
4:00 p.m. Wedding @ St. Joseph

## Mass Intentions

### SATURDAY, MAY 31

4:30 p.m.—St. Brigid: +Jim & Mary Powell  
+Kenny & Imogene Barry

### SUNDAY, JUNE 1

7:30 a.m.—St. Brigid: +Alan Hildebrand  
+Evelyn Dietrich  
9:00 a.m.—St. Joseph: +Leo Bauer  
+Sister Florence Kuhn  
10:30 a.m.—St. Edward: For the People of Our Parishes

\*\*\*No Weekday Masses—Fr. Gone\*\*\*

### SATURDAY, JUNE 7

4:30 p.m.—St. Brigid: +Bertha & Leroy Richmiller  
+Russ Elwood

### SUNDAY, JUNE 8

7:30 a.m.—St. Brigid: +Herman & Rita Huber  
+Rose Mary Howell  
9:00 a.m.—St. Joseph: For the People of Our Parishes  
10:30 a.m.—St. Edward: +Dick & Helen Fessler  
+June Terwelp

## Parish Collection: May 25

St. Brigid	\$ 5,038.00
St. Edward	\$ 2,262.00
St. Joseph	\$ 2,153.00

*Thank you for your generous support!*  
*All Collections included in total this week*

## Diocese Special Collections

### Retired Diocesan Priests—June 8

The annual Pentecost collection helps provide a pension and medical care to retired diocesan priests. Other sources of support include the diocesan endowment, individual donations, and bequests.

## VBS Volunteers Needed

Our exciting Bible School for the kids is coming up soon! I'm looking for volunteers from each parish to help out with games, crafts, and snack each night. Would you be able to help us? I'm needing 6 from the following parishes each night:

**St Brigid**, Monday, June 23 and just 2 to serve refreshments on Thursday, June 26

**St Joseph**, Sunday, June 22 and Wednesday, June 25

**St Edward**, Tuesday, June 24

**Contact: Jeanne Cramsey, 217-653-3962**

## New Church Envelopes

The Diocese has recommended a new company, National Church Solutions, that works with our new ChMS program and PushPay for electronic giving. These envelopes will look different.

## Bulletin Deadline

All information must be submitted by noon on Tuesday.

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



## Totus Tuus

**Totus Tuus is coming up. Make plans to attend!**

St. Peter and St. Francis are working together to bring another Totus Tuus Camp to our area this summer. Totus Tuus is a week filled with fun and faith! The **Evening Camp** runs from Sunday, June 15 through Thursday, June 19 from 6:30—8:15 at St. Francis School. Teens who are entering 7th – 12th grade in the fall of 2025 are welcome to attend.

**Day Camp** will take place Monday, June 16 – Friday, June 20 from 9:00—2:30. This camp is for students entering 1st grade through 6th grade this fall.

**The cost of the camp is \$25 per child or \$60 for three or more siblings. All area youth are welcome! To sign up please, use this link:**

<https://dio.org/totus-tuus-camper-registration/>.

## Safe Environment

Misty is working on the updating of the Safe Environment parishioner/volunteer profiles. You may be receiving a letter to update your background check and the DCFS check. These checks only happen every 5 years, and are required by the diocese for all active volunteers. This program helps to ensure the safety of our children and parish assets. If you are having difficulty navigating the update, please call the office, Misty is willing to help you. Also if you are no longer an active volunteer, please call the office to have your name removed.

## Return Home: Quincy Premiere of “Tolton Speaks”

Sunday, June 22, 3:00-5:00 p.m., St. Peter Church  
Join us for the Quincy screening of “Tolton Speaks,” the documentary about Venerable Fr. Augustus Tolton’s journey to priesthood.

Born into slavery and prohibited from entering any seminary in the United States, Fr. Tolton defied social expectations and the odds to become America’s first recognized African-American Roman Catholic priest. Learn about this man’s extraordinary story through expert interviews, historical documents and his words as told through never-before-seen letters. It’s a film you cannot afford to miss! Tickets, \$10 each. They are available at the Quincy Area Chamber of Commerce. Email queries: [tolton.spirituality.center@gmail.com](mailto:tolton.spirituality.center@gmail.com)

## Attention St. Edward Parishioners

Mendon town-wide garage sales are on Saturday, June 7. Parishioners are welcome to sell items in the church parking lot that day. St. Edward will provide the space—you are responsible for bringing everything else you need, including tables, chairs, a change box, and help for setup, takedown, and monitoring your items. Please note: church tables and chairs will not be available.

**Time:** 7:00–11:30 a.m. (Setup begins that morning)

**Space Rental:** A free-will offering will be collected the day of the sale with all proceeds going to St. Edward.

**To reserve a space or for more information, contact:**

Bailee Duesterhaus-

Email: [baileeduesterhaus@gmail.com](mailto:baileeduesterhaus@gmail.com) or Call/Text:

(573)822-3235

## VBS Supply Help!

HELP! We are in need of empty paper towel tubes for Bible School. There will be a blue collection box in each church vestibule. We could also use children’s books & puzzles featuring: Creation, Noah’s Ark, Jonah & the whale, and Moses. If you have any of these, please label with your name & leave in the box in the church vestibule. Thank you so much for your help!

**VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL**  
FOR BOYS & GIRLS  
AGES 3 - GRADE 4

Come join us and have fun learning about the Story of Creation, Adam & Eve, Noah and the Flood, Jonah and the Whale, and Moses. We will have games, snacks and TONS OF FUN!!

**June 22-26  
6:30 pm**

To register contact Jeane Cramsey  
at 217-653-3962 or email at [cramz922@yahoo.com](mailto:cramz922@yahoo.com)

St. Joseph Church, 1435 E. 1500<sup>th</sup> St., Quincy, IL 62301

# Ministry Schedules

ST. BRIGID CHURCH						
June 7 & 8	Altar Server	Communion Minister	Usher	Lector	Greeter /Hospitality	Gift Bearer
<b>SATURDAY 4:30 p.m.</b>	Harper Obert Owen Potter	Angela Obert Stacy Clark Robin Mowen	NEED 1 John Zanger Eric Barry	Angela Obert	Jerry & Pam Totsch	Randy & Laura Maas
<b>SUNDAY 7:30 a.m.</b>	Kruz Klauser Karlee Obert	Vickie Cramsey Brandy Hocking	Ron Cramsey David Dodd Mike Hummel	Greg Obert	Michael & Barb Obert	Greg & Nancy Obert

ST. JOSEPH CHURCH						
June 8	Altar Server	Communion Minister	Usher	Lector	Greeter /Hospitality	Gift Bearer
<b>SUNDAY 9:00 a.m.</b>	Andrea Moore James Bockhold Caleb Bockhold	Greg White Krista White Jeanne Cramsey	Jim Brinkman Shane Brinkman	Dan Frese		Brinkman Family

ST. EDWARD CHURCH						
June 8	Altar Server	Communion Minister	Rosary	Lector	Greeter /Hospitality	Gift Bearer
<b>SUNDAY 10:30 a.m.</b>	Henry Bealor Ben Bealor Erin Cornwell	Connie Bealor Paul Bealor Lindsey Cornwell	Connie Bealor	Lisa Thompson	Ginny Maas	Rusty Voss Family
<b>* Please continue passing the basket for collection.</b>						

## 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	Joann Walton
Jim Steinkamp	Elizabeth Leonard	Kent Hilgenbrinck
Kayle Sheely	Ben Venvertloh	Jim Wilson
John Kroner	Ripken Rangel	Connie Dietrich
Marvin Meyer	Maurie Koch	Virginia Berhorst
Carl Schisler	Tony Peters	Corey Sheurman
Rachel Cramsey	Joy Huebotter	Lisa Bohan
Ginny Brinkman	Raleigh Bess	Rinley Barry
Denny Meyer	Karen Woodworth	
Rosie Miller	Doug Woodworth	

## Stewardship Reflection

"I am the Alpha and the Omega, the first and the last, the beginning and the end." (Revelations 22:13)

This is a reminder of how we should live our lives 24 hours a day, 7 days a week – putting God first in all that we do. Not only when I am at Mass and parish activities, but when I am in the world, at work, or at school. Living gratefully and generously is an intentional lifestyle. Every decision you make either moves you closer to God or farther away. Choose wisely!

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



## 23rd Annual QND Raider Challenge

The 23rd Annual QND Raider Challenge 5k run/walk & 10k run will be held June 14, start time 7:00 a.m. at QND, 1400 S. 11th. Signup and support the QND Cross Country Team by visiting the link below. Registration ends June 9 at 7:00 p.m.

<https://runsignup.com/Race/IL/Quincy/RaiderChallenge>

# PARISH PICNICS

**Mark Your Calendars**

**June 7 - JuneFest**  
@ St. Dominic School grounds

**June 21 - St. Francis Solanus Picnic**

**July 19 - St. Anthony Picnic**

**August 23 - St. Peter Picnic**

**Sept. 6 - Septemberfest**  
@ Blessed Sacrament



**50**  
Years

Jubilee Mass at 10:30am

Sunday, June 8

Celebration Picnic to follow on the church grounds!  
11:30am-3:00pm

Food, games, music, family fun & fellowship!

**Reservations are required for the catered lunch.**  
(No charge, but we need an accurate number.)

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RSVP by May 30  
to the office at  
[church@cospq.org](mailto:church@cospq.org)  
or 217-222-3155

In lieu of gifts, please consider a donation to establish scholarships for St. Peter and QND students with the QND and QCES Foundations.

Please make checks payable to St. Peter Church with "Fr. Leo Scholarship" in the memo line.

A gift box will be available that weekend for cards and donations.



## St. Edward

There is a local award for the Adams County schools for students in grades K-8 called the "Be Like Grace Award." This award goes to one student per grade level that shows exemplary kindness. Out of all the students nominated at Unity Elementary (K-4), 14 of them are from our parish!! Also, the first grade winner is our very own Ayda Duesterhaus! We are so proud of all of you!

Maggie Aschemann, Brynlee Brackensick, Isaiah Hoffman, Sylvie Dedert, Ayda Duesterhaus, Jordan Oenning, Thia Wellman, Vivian Zanger, Hope Campbell, Georgia Zanger, Brynlee Zimmerman, Malia Zimmerman, Allie Felde, and Josie Venvertloh! Thank you for showing others Jesus's love through kindness!!





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



## *Jesus Ascends into Heaven!*



Today we celebrate the feast of the Ascension- when Jesus went up, body and soul, into Heaven. Forty days after Jesus rose from the dead He took his disciples up to a big hill and told them that He was going to send the Holy Spirit to them soon. Then He went up into the sky and disappeared behind the clouds.

At first it seems kind of sad that Jesus left His friends, doesn't it? But how could they be sad when Jesus was returning with joy to His Father in Heaven?

Sometimes we are sad when somebody we love dies or moves away, and that's okay. We can't stay with our friends forever in this world, but we will in Heaven. Jesus is there waiting for us to come and live forever with Him and all our friends.

So today we should celebrate Jesus' going into Heaven, and remember that He has gone ahead of us to make a place ready for us when we die.

## Saint Boniface June 5

WINFRID WAS BORN AROUND 675 IN ENGLAND. HE WAS FROM A NOBLE FAMILY AND HAD A GOOD EDUCATION. HE BECAME A MONK AND A PRIEST.



HE WAS A GREAT PREACHER AND GOT PERMISSION FROM THE ABBOT TO PREACH THE FAITH IN GERMANY.



Yes, Germany needs missionaries.

HE WENT TO THE POPE, WHO NAMED HIM BONIFACE AND GAVE HIM AUTHORITY TO PREACH IN GERMANY.



Go with my blessing!



He's cutting down the god's tree!  
MANY CHRISTIANS THERE HAD TURNED BACK TO PAGANISM.

THE POPE MADE BONIFACE A BISHOP. HE RULED WELL, STARTING NEW MONASTERIES AND CHURCHES.

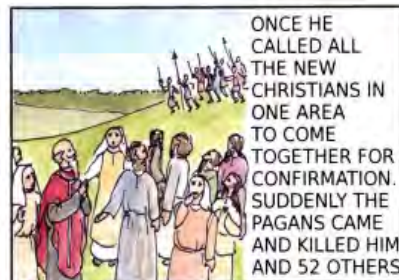


This would be a perfect spot...

AFTER A WHILE HE CHOSE ANOTHER BISHOP SO HE COULD CONTINUE TO PREACH.



I will do my best to look after your people.



ONCE HE CALLED ALL THE NEW CHRISTIANS IN ONE AREA TO COME TOGETHER FOR CONFIRMATION. SUDDENLY THE PAGANS CAME AND KILLED HIM AND 52 OTHERS.

ST. BONIFACE ALWAYS MADE SURE HE WAS DOING WHAT THE POPE WANTED HIM TO. HE IS A GOOD EXAMPLE TO US BY HIS OBEDIENCE TO THE HOLY FATHER, WHOM GOD HAS PUT IN CHARGE OF HIS CHURCH. WE SHOULD OBEY THE POPE AND PRAY FOR HIM TOO. CAN YOU SAY A PRAYER FOR POPE FRANCIS?

## Adams County Catholic Summer Faith Opportunities!

JUNE 8-12 - BLESSED SACRAMENT VBS

JUNE 9-11 - ST. ANTHONY/ST. DOMINIC VBS

JUNE 15-20 - ST. FRANCIS & ST. PETER TOTUS TUUS

JUNE 22-26 - ST. BRIGID, ST. JOSEPH & ST. EDWARD VBS

JULY 10-12 - ST. THOMAS VBS

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Ascension  
Day



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