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

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

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1435 E. 1500th St.
Quincy, IL 62305
Office Hours
Wednesday 8am to 4 pm
217-434-8442

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Mendon, IL 62351

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217-645-3546

PARISH WEBSITE: stsbej.org

Hospitality—Prayer—Formation—Service

Pastor's Letter

July 13, 2025—15th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Dear Church Family,

When we think of being a missionary, we often think of traveling to far off places among people of different cultures, but our readings from Sacred Scripture today remind us that our mission field is actually wherever we find ourselves; in our homes, or going about our daily business.

In our reading from Deuteronomy, Moses tells the people that God's law is not far away from them but has come up close, it's in their midst and it is to be lived out right where they are. When we read the Ten Commandments, we see that God's law is all about relationships. First, it's about our relationship with God. God has made a covenant with his people; he has come close to us and he tells us how to stay close to him by worshipping him and him alone. Second, God's law calls us to imitate him by loving those close to us, maintaining healthy relationships with our families, our communities, and all our fellow human beings. These relationships are at the heart of God's will for us. They are both blessings in themselves and how we gain eternal life. But we know that our relationships are not always what they should be.

Jesus came from heaven to repair our relationships with God and our neighbor which had been broken by sin which makes us turn away from God and away from our neighbor and focus only on ourselves. As St. Paul says in our reading from his letter to the Colossians, "Christ Jesus is the image of the invisible God." When we look at Jesus, we see God standing with us. He invites us to get outside ourselves again and find our best selves by giving our lives away in service and love.

Do you want to get to heaven? The path runs right past your front door. Love God, who has come close in Jesus Christ to offer you his love. Love the person right in front of you, wherever God leads you, whether it's some far-flung missionary outpost or in line at the grocery store. As Jesus tells the scholar who questions him in our Gospel reading, be a good neighbor to all and you will inherit eternal life.

Blessings,

Fr. Scott

Women's Cursillo Weekend

There will be a men's Cursillo weekend on July 17-20 at the Quincy University Retreat Center. It is an opportunity to renew and refresh your faith and to broaden your appreciation of our church. The weekend begins on Thursday evening and continues with fellowship, good food, singing, worship, prayer and meditation through Sunday afternoon. If you would like to take advantage of this opportunity to help you grow and enrich your faith, there are registration forms in the back of church.
Rectora: Janey Menne
Theme: Fix Your Eyes on Jesus

Calendar

Saturday, July 12
3:45 p.m.—4:15 p.m. Reconciliation @ St. Brigid
4:30 p.m. Mass @ St. Brigid
Sunday, July 13
7:30 a.m. Mass @ St. Brigid
9:00 a.m. Mass @ St. Joseph
10:30 a.m. Mass @ St. Edward
4:00 p.m. St. Joseph Ice Cream Social
Monday, July 14
6:30 p.m. Mass @ St. Brigid
Tuesday, July 15
7:15 a.m.—7:45 a.m. Reconciliation @ St. Edward
8:00 a.m. Mass @ St. Edward
Wednesday, July 16
7:15 a.m.—7:45 a.m. Reconciliation @ St. Joseph
8:00 a.m. Mass @ St. Joseph
Friday, July 18
8:00 a.m. Mass @ St. Brigid
Saturday, July 19
3:45 p.m.—4:15 p.m. Reconciliation @ St. Brigid
4:30 p.m. Mass @ St. Brigid
Sunday, July 20
7:30 a.m. Mass @ St. Brigid
9:00 a.m. Mass @ St. Joseph
10:30 a.m. Mass @ St. Edward
Monday, July 21
6:30 p.m. Mass @ St. Brigid
Tuesday, July 22
7:15 a.m.—7:45 a.m. Reconciliation @ St. Edward
8:00 a.m. Mass @ St. Edward
7:00 p.m. Pastoral/Finance Mtg @ St. Joseph
Wednesday, July 23
7:15 a.m.—7:45 a.m. Reconciliation @ St. Joseph
8:00 a.m. Mass @ St. Joseph
Friday, July 25
8:00 a.m. Mass @ St. Brigid

*Misty will be out of the offices July 13-19

Going on Vacation???

Don't forget to attend Mass. Check out MassTimes.org to find a church near you while traveling.

Mass Intentions

SATURDAY, JULY 12
4:30 p.m.—St. Brigid: *+Don Heberlein*
+Bernie Heberlein
+Leo Heberlein
SUNDAY, JULY 13
7:30 a.m.—St. Brigid: *For the People of Our Parishes*
9:00 a.m.—St. Joseph: *+Ann & Jon Faubel*
+Jack & Irene Bunte
10:30 a.m.—St. Edward: *+John Frese*
+Alan Hildebrand
MONDAY, JULY 14
6:30 p.m.—St. Brigid: *+Leroy Lentz*
+Leon Lentz
TUESDAY, JULY 15
8:00 a.m.—St. Edward: *+Bill Binger*
+John Frese
WEDNESDAY, JULY 16
8:00 a.m.—St. Joseph: *+Jason Ohnemus*
+Marie Gramke
FRIDAY, JULY 18
8:00 a.m.—St. Brigid: *+Raymond Maas Sr.*
+Betty Maas
+Robert Maas
SATURDAY, JULY 19
4:30 p.m.—St. Brigid: *+Rose Mary Howell*
+Buzzy & Shirley McLaughlin
SUNDAY, JULY 13
7:30 a.m.—St. Brigid: *+Roger Hummel*
+Dorothy Rossmiller
+George Barry
9:00 a.m.—St. Joseph: *For the People of Our Parishes*
10:30 a.m.—St. Edward: *+Edward Blickhan*
+James Windoffer

Parish Collection: July 6

St. Brigid	$ 4,466.00
St. Edward	$ 2,176.00
St. Joseph	$ 2,253.00

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

Baptism

Calvin Roger Gallaher,
Son of Timothy Gallaher & Meredith Hyer at St. Joseph

Ministry Schedules

ST. BRIGID CHURCH						
July 19 & 20	**Altar Server**	**Communion Minister**	**Usher**	**Lector**	**Greeter /Hospitality**	**Gift Bearer**
SATURDAY 4:30 p.m.	Gwen Wiemelt Hannah Buss	Debbie Maas Mike Maas Norma Neisen	Ava Fessler Dave Fessler Need 1	Dave Fessler	Jeff & Jody Obert	Jerry & Pam Totsch
SUNDAY 7:30 a.m.	Kruz Klauser Karlee Obert	Vickie Cramsey Nancy Obert	Greg Obert Michael Obert Barb Obert	Mark Heidbreder	Mark & Carol Heidbreder	Justin & Lucy Mewes

ST. JOSEPH CHURCH						
July 20	**Altar Server**	**Communion Minister**	**Usher**	**Lector**	**Greeter /Hospitality**	**Gift Bearer**
SUNDAY 9:00 a.m.	Wyatt Kill Erika Althoff	Greg White Krista White Jeanne Cramsey	Mike Moore Andy Moore	Jolinn Tripp		Moore Families

ST. EDWARD CHURCH						
July 20	**Altar Server**	**Communion Minister**	**Rosary**	**Lector**	**Greeter /Hospitality**	**Gift Bearer**
SUNDAY 10:30 a.m.	Josie Venvertloh Alexis Voss Abel Zimmerman	Susan York Connie Bealor Paul Bealor	Cindy Betz	Breanne Kelly	Frazier Family	Greta Frankel & Family
*** Please continue passing the basket for collection.**						

Please Remember to Pray For:

Daran Knuffman
Zoey Obert
Julia Winfield
Haddlei Burnett
Jim Steinkamp
Kayle Sheely
John Kroner
Marvin Meyer
Carl Schisler
Rachel Cramsey
Ginny Brinkman
Denny Meyer
Rosie Miller
Joe Rice
Linda Windoffer
Monica Mast
Bonnie Johnson
Elizabeth Leonard
Ben Venvertloh
Ripken Rangel
Maurie Koch
Tony Peters
Joy Huebotter
Raleigh Bess
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Doug Woodworth
Ryan Wiemelt
Scottie Bastert
Bernice Dittmer
Joann Walton
Kent Hilgenbrinck
Jim Wilson
Connie Dietrich
Virginia Berhorst
Corey Sheurman
Lisa Bohan
Rinley Barry
Glen Walton
Norma Emery
Bill Hilgenbrinck
Lily Jean Roberts

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

Stewardship Reflection

"Jesus said to him, 'Go and do likewise.'" Luke 10:37

This was Jesus' command at the end of the Good Samaritan story. Did you know that the Samaritans and Jews despised each other? The moral of the story is to love our neighbor. That means loving someone you may not know, or someone that looks different than you, or someone that has different beliefs than you, or someone that you don't like. All without expecting anything in return.

Bulletin Deadline

All information must be submitted by noon on Tuesday.
Submit to: **church@stsbej.org**

St. Brigid Parish New Ministry

Mercy Tree Adventures

A Ministry of Faith, Nature & Transformation

Have you ever heard of Mercy Tree Adventures?

Mercy Tree Adventures is a ministry in our diocese, led by Carlos and Elena Tejada, devoted to drawing people closer to Christ through scripture, prayer, and interaction with nature.

This gathering is a chance to:

* Learn more about the mission and heart behind Mercy Tree Adventures
* Connect with fellow believers
* Consider how you can support this ministry

Saturday, September 6
Starting at 2:00 p.m. — until we wrap up!
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We're excited to help more people discover and support this incredible ministry!

. Please RSVP or reach out with questions:
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. Bring a chair, drink, friend, and come as you are!

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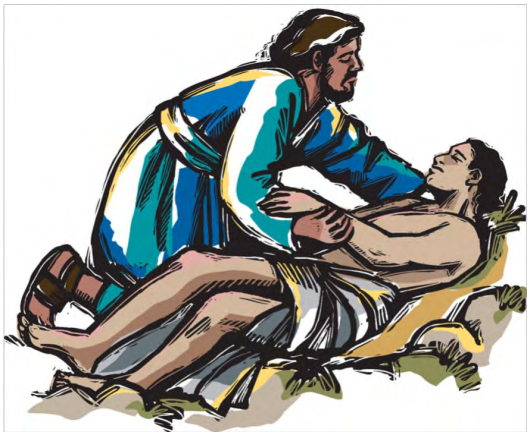

Loving God And Our Neighbor

In today's Gospel reading we learn that the greatest commandment is to love God with all our heart and soul and strength, and to love our neighbor as ourselves.

The most important thing you do in your life is loving God. If you really love God then you will do what is right and love other people as well. The Samaritan in the story loved God even though he didn't worship Him in the proper way like the Jews did. But because he loved God he wanted to please Him by being kind to his enemy.

If you don't love God then you will not be able to make good decisions about other things either. You can't even love other people properly if you don't love God the most. The priest and Levite in the parable probably cared more about themselves than about God. That is why when they saw their own countryman injured and lying by the roadside they just walked past.

Is God the most important person in your life? Talk to Him everyday and you will grow to love Him. You can be a good neighbor to everyone by being a good friend of God.

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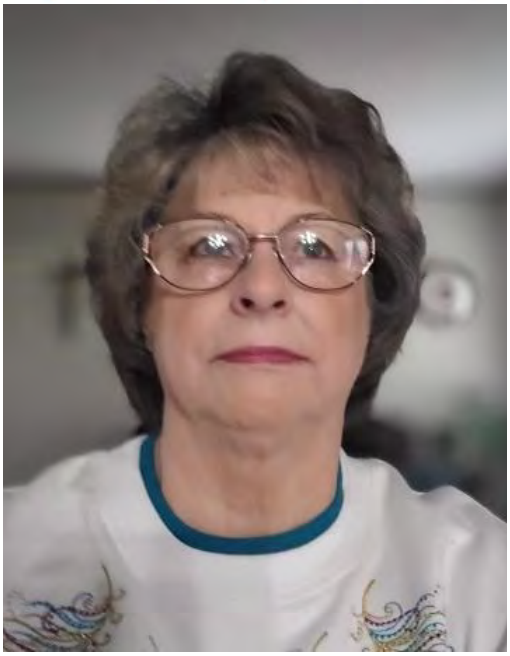
Quest is held at the Franciscan Retreat Center of Quincy University and lasts from 6:00 p.m. Friday to 5:30 p.m. Saturday. **The next retreat weekend is September 12-13.** *There is a fee for this retreat, but St. Brigid, St. Edward, and St. Joseph have funds available to cover this cost!* Please contact 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!



Margie Kendrick, 2nd Grade,
St. Edward

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Karen Hildebrand, Kindergarten & 1st,
St. Joseph

Truth be told, Abigail wanted to teach and she needed an adult in the classroom with her and she volunteered me!

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