

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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Office Hours

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

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Office Hours

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217-434-8442

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Pastor's Letter

August 3, 2025—18th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Dear Church Family,

Many of you have probably seen the videos of studies done with very young children concerning delayed gratification. A piece of candy is put in front of the child and they are told that if they wait until the adult comes back in the room they will be given two pieces of candy, but if they eat the piece in front of them before the adult comes back they will not get the second piece. Up to a certain age, the children almost always go for what is right in front of them instead of the greater prize that they cannot see.

Most adults have a little more self-control than that, but there is still a strong tendency to go for the shiny object right in front of us and to neglect the greater good that we cannot see. In our readings for today, we are warned against putting too much store in the present goods of this world that come and go and will one day pass away, and not doing enough to work toward the eternal goods that could be ours forever in the life to come.

The material goods of this world are a blessing, but they are not an end in themselves. They are gifts from God to sustain us and give us the means to do good for others. When we use them gratefully and share them generously, they can help us grow in holiness. Using the things of this world correctly can turn them into an investment for eternity.

It can be easy for us to fall into the trap of thinking that this life is all there is. We can be tricked into thinking that our security lies in gathering up as much wealth and power as we can in this world, forgetting that before we know it, this life is going to be over and all of our stuff is going to be useless to us. The only thing that we will take with us is love. Let's not allow ourselves to be distracted by things that are temporary. Let's use all of God's gifts in this life in a way that will help us achieve the highest goal that any person could hope for, happiness forever with God.

Blessings,

Fr. Scott

Mission Speaker Weekend of August 2/3

The **Missionary Servants of the Needy** is a male Religious Association founded in the Catholic Diocese of Tombura-Yambio, South Sudan, exclusively to help the poor and serve their needs. Our mission is primarily centered on our profound concern for the poor and the needy, especially those who are given little or zero attention in their communities. Our mission is to help this class of people reinstate their sense of value and help them become more aware of their relevance to human society, to themselves, their families, and to God. Our intention is to offer counseling to them, understand their needs, provide education to them, and discern the best ways of helping them become better persons, for the sake of God's Kingdom. Making visible and practical the Mercy and the Love of God through Works of Charity and Corporal Works of Mercy is the major ingredient of our mission. Our utmost desire is to be the mouthpiece of God and "another Christ" to the poor and the needy. To learn more about us, please visit www.msnmission.org.

National Catholic Youth Conference 2025

The National Catholic Youth Conference is a powerfully unique three-day experience of prayer, community, evangelization, catechesis, service, and empowerment for Catholic high school teens and their adult chaperones. NCYC is the premier Catholic youth event on a national scale that gathers people from across America for a life-changing encounter with Christ. The theme for this year's event is "I Am | Yo Soy" and will be held November 20-22, 2025, at the Indiana Convention Center and Lucas Oil Stadium in Indianapolis, IN. The 2025 theme, I Am | Yo Soy, will reflect on the time God appeared to Moses through the burning bush and explore how the Sacraments are the living story of God's love, uniting us with Him through Jesus and the Church. Through the Sacraments, we encounter the fullness of salvation and the tangible presence of Immanuel—God with us. Registration is being coordinated through the Office for Catechesis. Contact Kyle Holtgrave at (217) 698-8500, ext. 154, or email kholtgrave@dio.org for details. **There is money available to help youth of our parishes attend.



Calendar

Saturday, August 2

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

4:30 p.m. Mass @ St. Brigid

Sunday, August 3

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

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

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

Monday, August 4

No Mass

Tuesday, August 5

No Mass

Wednesday, August 6

No Mass

Thursday, August 7

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

Friday, August 8

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

Saturday, August 9

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

4:30 p.m. Mass @ St. Brigid

Sunday, August 10

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

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

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

Monday, August 11

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

Tuesday, August 12

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

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

Wednesday, August 13

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

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

Thursday, August 14

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

Friday, August 15

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

Mass Intentions

SATURDAY, AUGUST 2

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

+James Windoffer

SUNDAY, AUGUST 3

7:30 a.m.—St. Brigid: +Alan Hildebrand

+Clara Neisen

9:00 a.m.—St. Joseph: +Norma Hildebrand

+Nick Dietrich

+Ron Wiewel

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

MONDAY, AUGUST 4

No Mass

TUESDAY, AUGUST 5

No Mass

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 6

No Mass

FRIDAY, AUGUST 8

8:00 a.m.—St. Brigid: +Harold & Joan Siebers

SATURDAY, AUGUST 9

4:30 p.m.—St. Brigid: +George Schneider

+Bernice Mowen

SUNDAY, AUGUST 10

7:30 a.m.—St. Brigid: +Rose Mary Howell

9:00 a.m.—St. Joseph: *For the People of Our Parishes*

10:30 a.m.—St. Edward: +John, Andrew, & Valerie Frese

Parish Collection: July 27

St. Brigid \$ 4,442.78

St. Edward \$ 1,908.85

St. Joseph \$ 3,493.00

Thank you for your generous support!

All Collections included in total this week

Golden Anniversary

Fr. Adrian Fischer, OFM, former pastor of St. Anthony Parish, will be celebrating his Golden Anniversary of being ordained a priest. If you would like to send him a card his address is:

Fr. Adrian Fischer
Little Flower Church
616 S. 16th
Monroe, LA 71201



Rest in Peace

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



Going on Vacation???

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

Ministry Schedules

| ST. BRIGID CHURCH | | | | | | |
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| August 9 & 10 | Altar Server | Communion Minister | Usher | Lector | Greeter /Hospitality | Gift Bearer |
| SATURDAY 4:30 p.m. | Kade Klauser Harper Obert | Robin Mowen Norma Neisen Theresa Neisen | Mara Ippensen Dan Kramer Mike Maas | Angela Obert | John & Stacy Clark | John & Stacy Clark |
| SUNDAY 7:30 a.m. | Kruz Klauser Karlee Obert | Vickie Cramsey Nancy Obert | Greg Obert Michael Obert Barb Obert | Nancy Boone | Nancy Boone | Michael & Barb Obert |

| ST. JOSEPH CHURCH | | | | | | |
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| August 10 | Altar Server | Communion Minister | Usher | Lector | Greeter /Hospitality | Gift Bearer |
| SUNDAY 9:00 a.m. | Asher Mock McCoy Mock | Greg White Krista White Jeanne Cramsey | Jim Brinkman Shane Brinkman | Stan Frese | | Brinkman Families |

| ST. EDWARD CHURCH | | | | | | |
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| August 10 | Altar Server | Communion Minister | Rosary | Lector | Greeter /Hospitality | Gift Bearer |
| SUNDAY 10:30 a.m. | Alivia Felde Allie Felde Dax Klusmeyer | Margie Kendrick Donna Voss Emily Wellman | Susan York | Seth Klusmeyer | Fred Kientzle Family | Seth Knox Family |
| * Please continue passing the basket for collection. | | | | | | |

Please Remember to Pray For:

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

Stewardship Reflection

“Take care to guard against all greed, for though one may be rich, one’s life does not consist of possessions.”
Luke 12:15

The Gospel message is contrary to modern culture that continually tries to convince us that our joy comes from the material things we possess. That the more we acquire, the happier we will be. Jesus shows us that our true joy comes from our “invisible” gifts like love, mercy, and forgiveness. True joy comes from “emptying” ourselves, giving of ourselves rather than always taking. We are called not to hoard but to share. True joy comes from living a grateful and generous lifestyle; become more “God-centered” and less “self-centered.”

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



Why is there new hope for Archbishop Fulton Sheen's Beatification after a Peoria couple talks with Pope Leo XIV about Sheen's cause, which has a pause on it right now? What did the Holy Father say? Go to 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.

Victims Assistance & Child Abuse Reporting

To report Child Sexual Abuse by Church Personnel or to inquire about the Safe Environment Program in the Diocese of Springfield in Illinois, please call 217-321-1155.

Have you been married 50 years or more?

We want to celebrate you and your marriage vocation!

Bishop Thomas John Paprocki will celebrate a Mass for couples married 50 years or more on September 21 at 2 p.m. at the Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception in Springfield.

All couples married 50 years or more are invited to attend. Refreshments following Mass.

Register at dio.org/events or contact Gracie Ortiz at the Diocese of Springfield in Illinois at gortiz@dio.org or call (217) 698-8500 to register.

Project Rachel

Help for women and men to heal from the pain of abortion. For assistance call 1-877-RACHEL-5.

Call to All Women
Join us for our Summer Gathering in Mt. Sterling, Illinois

Wednesday August 13, 2025
Holy Family Mt. Sterling 401 W North St.
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Quincy Deanery Council of Catholic Woman's Summer Gathering and Lunch

Women as Daughter, Sister, Bride, Mother
Speaker:
Sr. M. Clementia Toalson, FSGM Of the Diocese of Springfield

Registration at the K of C Hall on Hwy 24 from 7:45 - 8:30 AM CONTINUES AFTER MASS

Registration \$10
Eucharistic Adoration during Registration
Mass: 8:30
Rosary Following Mass

10 AM Breakfast followed by meeting and Luncheon

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| Share Table: Bring Religious items and books you no longer use or would like to pass on. | Silent Auction/Raffle: -Proceeds Support Quincy Women's Deanery Initiatives- We welcome items of any size or value. | Charity Collection: Bring donation of Women & Children's Socks Soaps & Shampoo. |
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Knight of Columbus
BBQ
2025

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| AUGUST 8 | 5P-12 |
| AUGUST 9 | 12-12 |
| AUGUST 10 | 12-7P |

Fun, Food and Rides

Quincy, IL

Bulletin Deadline

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

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



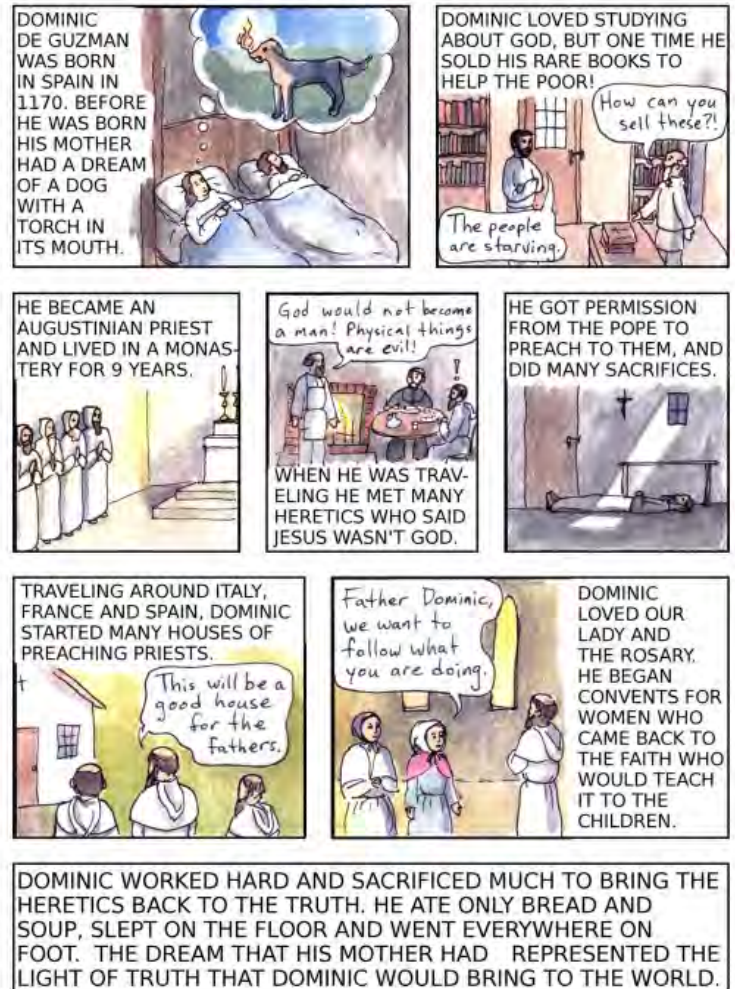
Jesus teaches us not to be greedy

In today's Gospel reading, a man tells Jesus that his brother is being unfair to him. But Jesus knows that the man is just being greedy, so He tells him the parable of the rich farmer. One year he had such a good harvest that he couldn't fit it all into his barns. He tore down his old barns and built new ones, so that he could store his food for many years. But just when he thought he would be able to rest and enjoy his food, God told him that he would die.

This parable is a warning against being greedy. Jesus is not saying that we should not save some food or that we shouldn't save our money. He is just telling us to remember that we are going to die one day, and then everything we saved is going to be useless for us. He wants us to use the things we have wisely, but not be too attached to them.

Think of something that is really special to you. How would you feel if you lost it or it was taken away? Do your feelings show that you care too much about things? Try to think of your belongings in such a way that if you lost them you wouldn't be too upset. After all, none of your stuff is going to matter to you when you die!

Saint Dominic August 8



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 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 the office at 217-645-3444 if you are wanting to go on a weekend, and our awesome churches will pay for you to go!

PSR

2025-2026



Things To Know

WHEN

St. Brigid Grades 1-8: Wednesday evenings 6:30-7:45

St. Edward Grades K-4:
Wednesday after school - 4:30
Grades 5-8: Sunday 9:15-10:15 AM

St. Joseph Grades K-8: Sunday after 9AM Mass - 11:15

DATES TO KNOW

- August 24: Registration DUE
- September 3: St. Edward K-4 first day of PSR
- September 7: St. Edward 5-8 & St. Joseph first day PSR
- September 10: St. Brigid first day PSR

CATECHISTS NEEDED

We are in need of Catechists at St. Joseph. Please consider giving your time and sharing your love for Jesus!

5, 6, 7, 8 GRADE

Many of our 4, 6, 7, and 8th grade classes are combined...but this does NOT mean they learn the same thing each year!!

Every year we build on what the students already know about their Catholic faith! The journey is LIFELONG - it doesn't end after sacraments are received or PSR is completed.

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