

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

Pastor

Fr. Scott Snider

Senior Priest

Fr. Lou Schlangen

Secretary

Misty Cramsey
office@stsbej.org

Bookkeeper

Ava Fessler
bookkeeper@stsbej.org

Pastoral Associate/CRE

Mitchell Brecht
217-257-9175
cre@stsbej.org

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

Hospitality—Prayer—Formation—Service

Pastor's Letter

May 10, 2026 – 6th Sunday of Easter

Dear Church Family,

As the church carries out its mission of proclaiming and living the gospel, we do so as a community of human beings who are “in the world, but not of the world.” At the heart of who we are as the Body of Christ is the Holy Spirit who unites, guides, and empowers us. In our Gospel reading for today Jesus describes the Spirit as our Advocate, the one who stands beside us, in this world and before the throne of the Father. The help of the Holy Spirit is given both directly to each of us and indirectly through the apostolic structure of the church. We see this demonstrated in the Acts of the Apostles when the church brings its questions and disputes to the Twelve Apostles for them to pray about and decide.

Some people believe that the Holy Spirit and structured, hierarchical authority don't go together. Some believe that the church should just “go with the flow” of the Spirit and that organization just makes it harder to hear what the Spirit is saying. Others believe that a lack of structure and rational organization just leads to chaos. As is often the case, the answer lies in the middle.

The answer to the question of being Spirit-led or hierarchical is not either/or. It's both/and. Each of us has been given the gift of the Holy Spirit to help us along the way, but in the complexities of life it's not always clear what God wants us to do. Sometimes we have to choose between competing goods and we don't know which should have priority. Sometimes our own desires conflict strongly with what God wants from us and his voice is drowned out. At those times we need the help of God-appointed authority to hold us together and keep us on track. We need to hear how the church has wrestled through the ages with issues that we face today. Our bishops, in communion with the Holy Father, have been given the graces to bear that responsibility.

We are grateful for the living voice of the Apostles which comes to us through their successors, the bishops. Under their leadership we can be confident that it is the Spirit of Christ which guides us and not just our own preferences or the political and social whims and trends of the present age.

Blessings,

Fr. Scott



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

Come join us and have fun learning about the Daniel, Mary and Martha, Joseph and David. We will have games, snacks and TONS OF FUN!!

**June 7-11
6:30 pm**

To register contact Mitchell Brecht at 217-257-9175 or email at creestsbej.org

Calendar

Saturday, May 9

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

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

Sunday, May 10

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

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

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

Monday, May 11

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

Tuesday, May 12

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

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

7:00 p.m. Bible Study @ St. Joseph

Wednesday, May 13

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

Thursday, May 14 - OFFICE CLOSES AT 2:45 p.m.

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

Friday, May 15

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

Saturday, May 16

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

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

Sunday, May 17

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

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

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

Monday, May 18

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

Tuesday, May 19

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

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

7:00 p.m. Bible Study @ St. Joseph

Wednesday, May 20

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

Thursday, May 21 - OFFICE CLOSES AT 2:45 p.m.

Friday, May 22

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

Mass Intentions

SATURDAY, MAY 9

4:30 p.m.—St. Brigid: +George & Marilyn Barry

+Catherine Knuffman

+Pailune Goehl

+Kim Goodwin

SUNDAY, MAY 10

7:30 a.m.—St. Brigid: *For the People of Our Parish*

9:00 a.m.—St. Joseph: +Jim & Betty Brinkman

+Nick Dietrich

+Tom Mast

+Rose Mary Zanger

10:30 a.m.—St. Edward: +Jason Kasparie

+Thomas Friye

MONDAY, MAY 11

6:30 p.m.—St. Brigid: +Marilyn Barry

TUESDAY, MAY 12

8:00 a.m.—St. Edward: +Vivian Dickerman

WEDNESDAY, MAY 13

8:00 a.m.—St. Joseph: +Kenneth Neisen

+George Emery

FRIDAY, MAY 15

8:00 a.m.—St. Brigid: +Norm Boone

SATURDAY, MAY 16

4:30 p.m.—St. Brigid: +David Windoffer

+Mary & Thomas Allison

SUNDAY, MAY 17

7:30 a.m.—St. Brigid: +George Barry

9:00 a.m.—St. Joseph: +Jeanette Knapp

+Mabel Ohnemus

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

Parish Collection: May 3

St. Brigid \$ 4,404.50

Online Giving \$ 120.44

St. Edward \$ 2,672.00

Online Giving \$ 100.00

St. Joseph \$ 2,298.00

Online Giving \$ 0

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

Online Giving

Below are the links:

<https://pushpay.com/g/stbrigidliberty>

<https://pushpay.com/g/stedwardmendon>

<https://pushpay.com/g/stjosephquincy>

It will walk you through setting up your giving account



Ministry Schedules

ST. BRIGID CHURCH						
May 16 & 17	Altar Server	Communion Minister	Usher	Lector	Greeter /Hospitality	Gift Bearer
SATURDAY 4:30 p.m.	Owen Derhake Kade Klauser	Kristin Obert Lisa Berry Stacy Clark	Ava Fessler Dave Fessler Mara Ippensen	Dave Fessler	Jerry & Pam Totsch	Stan & Marilyn Obert
SUNDAY 7:30 a.m.	Kruz Klauser Karlee Obert	Vickie Cramsey Nancy Obert	Craig Gramke Mike Hummel Kyle Leonard	Mark Heidbreder	Mark & Carol Heidbreder	Rick & Kris Barry

ST. JOSEPH CHURCH						
May 17	Altar Server	Communion Minister	Usher	Lector	Greeter /Hospitality	Gift Bearer
SUNDAY 9:00 a.m.	Isabella Neisen Andrea Moore	Greg White Krista White Jeanne Cramsey	*Russel Tappe Shane Brinkman	*Ann Ohnemus		*Tappe/Brinkman Families

ST. EDWARD CHURCH						
May 17	Altar Server	Communion Minister	Rosary	Lector	Greeter /Hospitality	Gift Bearer
SUNDAY 10:30 a.m.	Henry Bealor Ben Bealor Braylee Brackensick	P.J. Hildebrand Breanne Kelly Margie Kendrick	Connie Bealor	Breanne Kelly	Tyler Wellman Family	Tom Shaffer Family
* Please continue passing the basket for collection.						

Please Remember to Pray For:

Daran Knuffman	Ben Venvertloh	Lisa Bohan
Zoey Obert	Ripken Rangel	Rinley Barry
Julia Winfield	Tony Peters	Bill Hilgenbrinck
Haddlei Burnett	Joy Huebotter	Lily Jean Roberts
Jim Steinkamp	Raleigh Bess	Sandra White
Kayle Sheely	Karen Woodworth	Dorothy Mayfield
John Kroner	Doug Woodworth	Phil Freiburg
Marvin Meyer	Ryan Wiemelt	Jim Brinkman
Carl Schisler	Joann Walton	Bennett Duesterahus
Rachel Cramsey	Kent Hilgenbrinck	Bill Ervin
Denny Meyer	Mark Thompson	Sophie Shriver
Rosie Miller	Connie Dietrich	Kristy Bollin
Joe Rice	Corey Sheurman	Carol Haistings
Monica Mast		

Stewardship Reflection

"For it is better to suffer for doing good, if that be God's will, than for doing evil." 1 PETER 3:17

The old line says "if you want to make God laugh, tell him your plans." Many of us are diligent in our planning and making sure things are progressing smoothly. Then disaster strikes, we don't get the result we anticipated or an unforeseen problem arises. Many times we may respond negatively and ask, "Why me? I did everything right!" Here's the thing – adversity humbles us and reminds us of our dependence on God and not on our own self-reliance. Rest assured, God has a better plan in store for you.

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

Welcome

We are pleased to welcome the following individual/families who recently registered as parishioners. Please make them feel welcome and part of our great parish.

Nathan & Hayley Marold (St. Joseph)

Baby Bottle Blitz

Can you spare some change for Care Net's Baby Bottle Blitz? Care Net is a local Christian organization that provides compassionate support to women and men faced with difficult pregnancy decisions. Each year from Mother's Day to Father's Day we fill baby bottles with our loose change to help support Care Net's goal to save lives. Bottles can be picked up, Sunday, May 10, and returned to the church on Fathers Day, June 21.

Congratulations 2026 Women of Distinction

St. Brigid: Joyce Welsh

St. Edward: Susan York

St. Joseph: Sabina Fessler

June 21, 2026: The Springfield in IL Diocesan Council of Catholic Women are pleased to host the "Annual Women of Distinction Award Celebration."

Mass at the Cathedral: 10:00 a.m.: Main Celebrant Bishop Paprocki

Adult Altar Servers

Are you looking for a way to have a deeper, personal way of participating in the Eucharist? Why not become an Adult Server! The Altar Servers assist the priest during Mass by participating in the entrance procession and presentation of the gifts, as well as holding the prayer books. This is a great way to mentor the young servers, helping them understand their role. Please call the office if you are interested. Training is provided.

Memorial Day Cemetery Masses

Monday, May 25

- 8 a.m. Mass at St. Brigid Cemetery
 - 9:30 a.m. Mass at St. Joseph Cemetery
- If raining, it will be moved in the church.
PLEASE BRING YOUR LAWN CHAIRS!



Teresa Tomeo to Speak at SDCCW Convention in Quincy

The Springfield Diocesan Council of Catholic Women (SDCCW) will host its 97th Annual Convention on Thursday, September 3, in Quincy, sponsored by the Quincy Deanery Council of Catholic Women. This year's theme, "*Handmaids of the Lord: Make Me a Channel of Your Peace*," will feature keynote speaker Teresa Tomeo, a nationally known Catholic author, speaker, and EWTN personality.

The day begins with the Rosary at 8 a.m., followed by Mass at 8:30 a.m. at St. Anthony of Padua Church. The convention will continue at The Ambiance Banquet Hall, beginning with registration at 9:30 a.m.

Lunch will be provided.

Teresa Tomeo will offer two presentations:

- 11:00 a.m. – *Discovering Your True Dignity*
- 1:30 p.m. – *Becoming a 24/7 Catholic*

The day also includes opportunities for fellowship, Q&A, book signing, vendors, and a silent auction. The event concludes around 3:30 p.m.

Registration:

- \$60 Early Bird (by July 20)
- \$70 (by August 15)
- \$30 Clergy/Religious

Overnight accommodations are available at a discounted rate at Town & Country Inn & Suites (reserve by August 12). To register, visit dio.org/events or pick up a form at your parish.

For more information, contact:

- Susan Asher: 217-653-5074
- Gina Wolf: 217-257-9966

All women of the diocese are invited to attend this inspiring day of faith and fellowship.

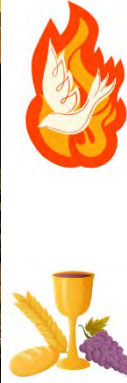
Bulletin Deadline

All information must be submitted by noon on Tuesday.

Submit to: church@stsbej.org

QCES Mass Attendance Cards

Mass attendance cards are available at the back of church.



Right Photo: **St. Edward** First Communion mass with Fr. Scott Snider.

The kids are from left to right: Emberly Mealiff, Morgan Hickey, Hope Campbell, Riggs Shaffer, Beau Logan, and Asher Clark.



St. Joseph May crowning and Eighth grade recognition and PSR Breakfast. Above: 8th Graders Makayla Drebes, Riggins Mock, Caleb Bockhold, Quinn Luaders, Ann Ohnemus & Father Scott.



St. Brigid - St. Edward - St. Joseph Parish School of Religion



- VBS registration https://www.stsbej.org/files/ugd/e03c99_f3f8510e375144cbaae19762e43a0749.pdf
- Registration Forms are also available at the back of church.

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. 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!

The next retreat weekend: July 10-11, 2026

Jesus Sends the Holy Spirit Through the Sacraments



In today's Gospel reading, Jesus tells the disciples that He is going away, but the Father will send the Holy Spirit to help them.



We can't see Jesus on earth any more, because His body went into Heaven at the Ascension. We can't see the Holy Spirit either, because He doesn't have a body. The Holy Spirit really is in the world, though. He is working in the Church and in people who obey and love God.



The Holy Spirit comes to us mainly through the sacraments. We get grace, which is God's life in us, when we receive the sacraments. Jesus gave us the sacraments to help us on our way to Heaven. Do you know the seven sacraments? Here is a list to help you to remember:



- Baptism**
- Confession**
- Confirmation**
- Holy Communion**
- Marriage**
- Holy Orders**
- Sacrament of the Sick**



Our Lady of Fatima May 13

IN 1917 LUCIA, A NINE YEAR OLD GIRL, AND HER TWO YOUNG COUSINS, FRANCISCO AND JACINTA, LOOKED AFTER THEIR FAMILIES' SHEEP NEAR FATIMA, PORTUGAL.

There's lots of grass up there!

AN ANGEL APPEARED TO THEM SEVERAL TIMES, TEACHING THEM SOME PRAYERS.

O my God, I believe, I adore, I hope and I love Thee...

ON MAY 13TH OUR LADY APPEARED. SHE TOLD THEM TO PRAY AND SACRIFICE.

Pray the Rosary for peace.

Do you think it's true?

I don't know. Let's follow them!

WHEN PEOPLE HEARD ABOUT IT THEY WERE CURIOUS.

THE CHILDREN MADE MANY SACRIFICES AND PRAYED OFTEN.

We can give our lunch to the poor children!

THEY WERE QUESTIONED AND EVEN PUT IN JAIL BUT THEY OFFERED IT TO JESUS FOR THE CONVERSION OF SINNERS.

Are they going to kill us?

If they do we will offer it to Jesus!

Pray the Rosary!

The sun is spinning!

The sun is dancing!

Look at all the colors!


AFTER APPEARING TO THE CHILDREN EACH MONTH, OUR LADY LET MANY OTHER PEOPLE SEE A MIRACLE IN THE SUN ON OCTOBER 13TH. SHE ASKED PEOPLE TO PRAY THE ROSARY.

OUR LADY WANTS US TO PRAY AND MAKE SACRIFICES TO HELP SAVE PEOPLE FROM GOING TO HELL. SHE APPEARED TO LUCIA, FRANCISCO AND JACINTA SO THAT THEY COULD SHARE THIS REQUEST WITH MANY PEOPLE. THINK OF WAYS YOU CAN REMEMBER TO PRAY EVERY DAY AND MAKE LITTLE SACRIFICES.

Duker & Haugh

823 Broadway
Quincy, IL
217.222.1011
dukerandhaugh.com

FUNERAL HOME


Knights of Columbus
COUNCIL #583
700 SOUTH 36TH • 222-1000
Join Us Today!
Pray For Pro-Life and Vocations

BILL WIEWEL INSURANCE
Box 72 • Golden, IL 62339

Office Phone 217-696-4813
Office Phone 217-696-2514
bwinsur@adams.net

Six Locations ONE FAMILY



Liberty • Barry
Payson • Quincy
Ursa • Camp Point

www.liberty.bank
Member FDIC

100% LOCAL and Catholic Owned!

HILDEBRAND Insurance Agency, LLC
Specializing in Senior Products
Phil, Jeannie & Devin
217-936-2344 • 217-257-9210


Mercantile Bank FDIC
A UNITED COMMUNITY BANK
217-223-7300
mercantilebk.com

REFRESHMENT SERVICES 
1121 Locust Street
Quincy, IL 62301
217-223-8600

KNUFFMAN Plumbing

Please Pray for
WORLD PEACE

URSA TRUCK & TRAILER REPAIR
833 N. 2100th Ave., Ursa, IL
217-964-2199

AG SUPPLY SERVICES, INC.
Brian Breckenkamp, Chemical Sales
4827 N. 36th, Quincy, IL
217.430.6293 agsupply@ymail.com

Proudly Offering 
YOUR TRUSTED SOURCE FOR NATURAL AND ORGANIC FERTILIZER, SOIL AMENDMENTS AND LIVESTOCK NUTRITION
Kyle Leonard, Local Fertrell Dealer
217.440.4823 • leonaky@gmail.com



KIENTZLE & SONS
general construction & excavating
217.430.2654
Family owned and operated!


217.592.9170
2418 Gardner Expressway, Quincy

HELP SUPPORT YOUR PARISH
ADVERTISE HERE!

CALL 1-800-635-0622

OR

CONTACT LORI AT
lori@sundaymissal.com

BA
Buss Ag Services, LLC

CME Machine & Repair
FABRICATION • WELDING
Craig Blickhan
1396 N. 1750th Ave.
Fowler IL 62338
217-653-3135

BRINKMAN
Plumbing Contractors, Inc.
Industrial • Commercial • Residential
"Building on perfection"
Jim Brinkman
jbrinkman@brinkmanplumbing.com
2510 Ellington Road (217)223-1962
Quincy, IL 62305 Fax:217-223-1972
Registration# 055-000558

 **BECK'S**
2240 E 1000th Street
Mendon, IL 62351
(217) 617-0624

The Unity Multiplex
2259 COUNTY RD 1100 E, MENDON, IL 62351
217-257-0618

 **Kohl's**
Cash & Carry Showroom
140 Maine St., Quincy
217-222-0500
Open to the Public
Family Owned & Operated Since 1873
• MEAT • FROZEN • PRODUCE • DRY GOODS •
• TABLE TOP • CLEANING SUPPLIES •
• EQUIPMENT • DISPOSABLES •

J. Otto Funeral Homes
www.jottofuneralhomes.com
208 NORTH STATE STREET MENDON, ILLINOIS 62351 217-936-2525
501 EMMINGA ROAD GOLDEN, ILLINOIS 62389 217-696-2612

Presents
The Daily Grind 
The Laundry Chute & The Multiplex Event Hall

WELCOME ST. BRIGID, ST. EDWARD & ST. JOSEPH to Sunday Missal Service!

We are excited to have your parish gathered into our bulletin family. Please patronize the businesses who support your bulletin as their contributions make this publication possible.

Please consider placing an ad on this bulletin page!

Call or email Lori @ 1-217-222-4030 • lori@sundaymissal.com

For advertising pricing for business and memorial ads, or with any questions about this bulletin.

Sunday Missal Service thanks you for your interest and support of your Parishes!