

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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Tues.& Thurs. 8 am to 4 pm
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Office Hours

Wednesday 8am to 4 pm
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Hospitality—Prayer—Formation—Service

Pastor's Letter

October 4, 2026 – 27th Sunday in Ordinary Time

"Finally, brothers and sisters, whatever is true, whatever is honorable, whatever is just, whatever is pure, whatever is lovely, whatever is gracious, if there is any excellence and if there is anything worthy of praise, think about these things."

Dear Church Family,

Nathaniel Hawthorne wrote a story in 1850 called *The Great Stone Face*. It's the story of a boy named Ernest who grows up in the shadow of a mountain that has a weathered outcropping that looks like a giant profile of a man's face. Local legend says that one day someone from that area will appear that looks just like the stone face and that person will be a blessing to the whole community.

Ernest spends his whole life looking at that face and thinking about the wisdom, kindness, gentleness, and goodness that the face represents and waits with eager expectation for the appearance of the person bearing that image. Over the course of his life, a number of people come to the community that some think are candidates for the fulfillment of the prophecy; a wealthy businessman, a battle tested general, a powerful politician, a renowned poet. All of them turn out to be a disappointment. None of them possesses the noble qualities that are reflected in the face which has become a model for Ernest of everything that is good and true.

The years pass and Ernest becomes an old man and something amazing happens. His contemplation of the Great Stone Face transforms him. His continual meditation on the virtues that it represents has instilled in him those very same virtues. He has himself become the one that the community has been waiting for.

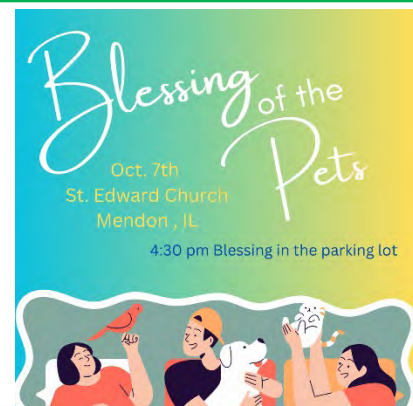
What are the images in our lives that we are allowing to shape our character? What are the influences that we immerse ourselves in every day? Where are they leading us? How are they molding us? It all happens very gradually and sometimes we don't even notice. In our second reading for today, St. Paul invites us to continually hold the image of Christ in our minds and hearts and to allow the truth, goodness, and beauty of the Lord to transform us into his image and likeness. When we stay close to Jesus through prayer and the sacraments, the peace of Christ can be ours. May the loving face of our Savior fill our vision, shape our desires, and make us like him.

Blessings,

Fr. Scott

"Healing" Rosary

Please join us in praying a "Healing" Rosary for all parishioners, family members and friends combating any illnesses at this time. It will be held Tuesday, October 6, 2026 at 6:30 p.m. at St. Joseph's Church. Bring family members and friends. All are welcome!



Calendar

Saturday, October 3

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

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

Sunday, October 4

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

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

9:15 a.m.—10:15 a.m. PSR @ St. Edward

10:00 a.m.—11:15 am PSR @ St. Joseph

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

Monday, October 5

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

7:00 p.m. OCIA @ St. Brigid

Tuesday, October 6

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

6:00 p.m. All 3rd Grade Parent/Sponsor/Child mtg @ St. Joseph

6:30 p.m. Healing Rosary @ St. Joseph

Wednesday, October 7

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

3:10 p.m.—4:30 p.m. PSR (K-4) @ St. Edward

4:30 p.m. Pet Blessing @ St. Edward

6:30 p.m.—7:45 p.m. PSR @ St. Brigid

Thursday, October 8 - OFFICE CLOSSES AT 2:45 p.m.

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

Friday, October 9

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

Saturday, October 10

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

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

Sunday, October 11

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

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

9:15 a.m.—10:15 a.m. PSR @ St. Edward

10:00 a.m.—11:15 a.m. PSR @ St. Joseph, Donut Social to follow

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

Monday, October 12

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

7:00 p.m. OCIA @ St. Brigid

Tuesday, October 13

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

6:00 p.m. All 3rd Grade Parent/Sponsor/Child mtg@ St. Joseph

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

Wednesday, October 14

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, October 15 - OFFICE CLOSSES AT 2:45 p.m.

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

Friday, October 16

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

Mass Intentions

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 3

4:30 p.m.—St. Brigid: *For the People of Our Parishes*

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 4

7:30 a.m.—St. Brigid: *+Beau Avery Barry*

+Paul Barry

9:00 a.m.—St. Joseph: *+Alice & Edward Dempsey*

+Bob & Rosella Neisen

+Nick Dietrich

10:30 a.m.—St. Edward: *+Karen & Leona Shaffer*

MONDAY, OCTOBER 5

6:30 p.m.—St. Brigid: *+Glenn & Mary Ann Loos*

+Jackie Taylor

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 6

8:00 a.m.—St. Edward: *+Leonard Neikamp*

+Martha Koettters

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 7

8:00 a.m.—St. Joseph: *+Jim & Betty Brinkman*

+Loenard Ohnemus

+Bob & Rosella Neisen

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 9

8:00 a.m.—St. Brigid: *+Alice Obert*

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 10

4:30 p.m.—St. Brigid: *+Leon Welsh*

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 11

7:30 a.m.—St. Brigid: *+People of the Parishes*

9:00 a.m.—St. Joseph: *+Don & Rosemary Giesing*

+Agnes Genenbacher

10:30 a.m.—St. Edward: *+Bernice Dittmer*

Parish Collection: September 27

St. Brigid \$ 3,625.00

Online Giving \$ 120.44

St. Edward \$ 2,036.00

Online Giving \$ 151.10

St. Joseph \$ 2,019.00

Online Giving \$ 265.00

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.

QCES Mass Attendance Cards

Mass attendance cards are available at the back
of church.

Ministry Schedules

ST. BRIGID CHURCH						
October 10 & 11	Altar Server	Communion Minister	Usher	Lector	Greeter /Hospitality	Gift Bearer
SATURDAY 4:30 p.m.	Ashley Schutte Kelsey Schutte	Theresa Neisen Angela Obert Kristin Obert	Randy Maas Pam Totsch Dave Obert	Jeff Obert	Stan & Marilyn Obert	David & Angela 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	Michael & Barb Obert

ST. JOSEPH CHURCH						
October 11	Altar Server	Communion Minister	Usher	Lector	Greeter /Hospitality	Gift Bearer
SUNDAY 9:00 a.m.	Isabella Neisen Piper Steffen	Greg White Krista White Jeanne Cramsey	Joseph Bockhold Henry Bockhold	Makayla Drebes		Bockhold Family

ST. EDWARD CHURCH						
October 11	Altar Server	Communion Minister	Rosary	Lector	Greeter /Hospitality	Gift Bearer
SUNDAY 10:30 a.m.	Liam Logan Abram Mealiff Croix Mealiff	Lindsey Cornwell Tracy Cornwell Brenda Fler	Cindy Betz	Madelyn Thompson	Judy Heming	Jeff Venvertloh 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	Sandra White
Jim Steinkamp	Raleigh Bess	Dorothy Mayfield
Kayle Sheely	Karen Woodworth	Phil Freiburg
John Kroner	Doug Woodworth	Jim Brinkman
Marvin Meyer	Ryan Wiemelt	Bennett Duesterahus
Carl Schisler	Joann Walton	Bill Ervin
Rachel Cramsey	Kent Hilgenbrinck	Sophie Shriver
Denny Meyer	Mark Thompson	Kristy Bollin
Rosie Miller	Connie Dietrich	Carol Haistings
Joe Rice	Don Sheurman	Sue Rossmiller
Monica Mast	Sandra Kemper	Don Arnold
Stan Obert	Paul Duane Keck	Linda Esminger
Kim Meyer	Rich Klauser	Sydney Haistings
Billy Meyer		

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

Stewardship Reflection

"The stone that the builders rejected has become the corner stone..." – Matthew 21:42

Jesus was rejected by the religious and political leaders of his day, as well as ordinary citizens, but he was still obedient to God, the Father. Similarly, living a stewardship lifestyle may cause you to be "rejected" by others, but we too are called to be obedient. Saying grace before a meal in a restaurant may attract some strange looks from some. But to others it is a sign that God is alive and well!



BINGO & NACHO Night

Over 90 prizes

 All proceeds go to the Catholic Heart Workcamp Mission.

OCT. 17 ST. BRIGID HALL
BINGO STARTS 6:30 PM

BINGO PLAY

\$10 for adults
\$5 per child or
\$20 for family
Play all night

Free Will Offering on Food

Serving food 4:30-7:00

Meal: Beef Nachos
Cheese Nachos
Homemade desserts

St. Edward - Mendon, IL

TURKEY DINNER

Sunday, October 25

11 A.M. - 1:30 P.M.

ADULTS - \$ 15

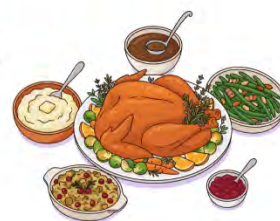
CHILDREN 10 & UNDER - \$12

CARRY-OUTS AVAILABLE - \$15



MASS TIME: 9:30 A.M.

Join us for a
Homemade Meal!



Bible Study

This Bible Study is on the faith and how we are to live faith out and understand the faith in the world today! We will use a book by Father Pacwa to better understand faith today!

STARTS OCT. 13 RUNS 6 WEEKS

TUESDAY 7 PM



ST JOSEPH'S CHURCH

E 1500th St, Quincy, IL 62305

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TO GET A COPY OF THE BOOK

St. Brigid DONUT SOCIAL

Please join us after Mass

Sunday, Oct 11



Save the Date

**Quincy Deanery Council of
Catholic Women's Fall Gathering**

Event Details: Morning Mass, Light Breakfast
Keynote Speaker, Lunch and Afternoon Session
When: Wednesday, November 18

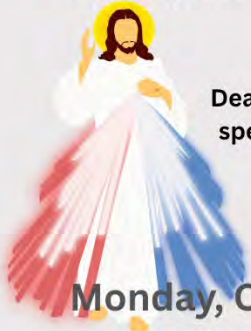
Where: Hosted by St. Mary's Catholic Church,
Pittsfield, IL

Featured Speaker Presentation Dr. Martha Rapp,
who will present: "A Mother's Faith: The Story of
Martha Jane Tolton"

More details regarding registration, and exact times
will follow soon.

Save the Date

"The Gift of Divine Mercy"



Deacon Dennis Holbrook will be speaking on "The Gift of Divine Mercy".
All are welcome.

Monday, October 26 @ 6 pm
St. Thomas Parish Hall
Camp Point, IL

St. Joseph

DONUT SOCIAL

OCTOBER 11

Please join us after Mass in the Church Hall.

Sponsored by:
St. Joseph Altar Society

Safe Environment Checks

Mitchell will be reaching out to update any volunteer profiles for the background and DCFS checks. This program helps to ensure the safety of our children and parish assets. These are needed especially if you are a PSR teacher or an adult planning to go on the Catholic Heart Workcamp Mission Trip.

JOIN US
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TUESDAY OCTOBER 6, 2026

WHAT IS HAPPENING TO OUR COMMON HOME

A Theological Review

Speaker: Fr. Ken Ahanonu

Doors open: 5.30pm

Presentation: 6.35pm

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 greatrivotec.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 2026: November 7-9

St. Anthony Fall Craft Show

St. Anthony Ladies Society Fall Craft Show will be held on Saturday, October 3, 9 a.m.- 2 p.m.

We do have space for a few more vendors. If interested please contact Janet Bick at 217-430-7256 or rjbick@comcast.net or Tawny Benz at 217-257-0847 or rtbenz77@gmail.com.

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.

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



- October 6 – ALL 3rd grade Parent/Sponsor/Child mtg at St. Joseph Church 6-7 p.m.
- October 25 – NO PSR for St. Edward

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 p.m. Friday to 6 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! Please contact Caroline Wiewel at 217-430-6086 / questcoordinator@greatrivertec.org for questions or fill out an app online at <http://www.greatrivertec.org/quest>

The next retreat weekend: December 11-12, or January 22-23, or May 7-8

Tenants of the Vineyard

In today's Gospel reading, Jesus tells the parable of the vineyard that was leased out to tenants. When the owner's servants came to collect the pay, the tenants beat them. When the owner sent his son, they killed the son because they thought they would be able to take the vineyard if the son was dead.



This story is about God's people. For hundreds of years God cared for His people, leaving leaders in charge. But when He sent His Son Jesus, the leaders did not respect Him.

In fact, they killed Him on the cross! God's people were like the vineyard and the leaders were like the tenants who killed the son.

In a way your life is like a vineyard too. God has given it to you and cared for you all your life. When God wants you to do something for Him, you have the choice of doing what He asks or being like the bad tenants and refusing. Whenever we don't do what is right, we are offending Jesus. But you don't want to be like those bad tenants, do you? Make sure that everything you do is for God!



Saint Maria Faustina Kowalska October 5

HELEN KOWALSKA WAS FROM A POOR FAMILY IN POLAND. SHE ONLY WENT TO SCHOOL FOR THREE YEARS. SHE WANTED TO JOIN A CONVENT BUT HER PARENTS SAID NO.

We don't have enough money to send you to a convent.

ONE DAY AT A DANCE SHE HAD A VISION OF THE SUFFERING JESUS, AND RAN TO THE CHURCH.

THAT NIGHT SHE CAUGHT A TRAIN FOR WARSAW, WHERE SHE EVENTUALLY ENTERED A CONVENT.

SHE BECAME SISTER MARIA FAUSTINA. SHE GOT JOBS LIKE COOKING AND GARDENING.

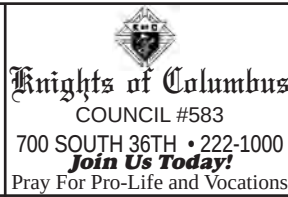
BUT SOON SHE BECAME SICK. ONE NIGHT JESUS APPEARED TO HER WITH RED AND WHITE LIGHT COMING FROM HIS HEART.

HE CALLED HIMSELF "THE DIVINE MERCY" AND ASKED HER TO HAVE HIS IMAGE PAINTED.

Why can't anyone draw a really good picture of Him?

OUR LORD APPEARED TO HER MANY TIMES, TEACHING HER ABOUT HIS MERCY FOR POOR SINNERS. SISTER FAUSTINA BECAME MORE ILL AND DIED AT THE AGE OF 33.

OUR LORD USED SAINT FAUSTINA, WHO HAD BEEN A SIMPLE COUNTRY GIRL, TO TEACH THE WHOLE WORLD ABOUT HIS GREAT MERCY. SHE WROTE WHAT HAPPENED IN HER VISIONS IN NOTEBOOKS. ONE OF THE GREATEST PRAYERS THAT JESUS GAVE HER WAS THE DIVINE MERCY CHAPLET.

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