



The Parish of St. Peter Quincy, IL

Twenty-Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time, October 9, 2011

Dear Parishioners,

This weekend, we celebrate the 28th Sunday in Ordinary Time. As we celebrate the month of October, the Church invites us to use this month to pray that our country would return to a “respect for all life” within our families and within our community. To help us appreciate this invitation, I want to quote from a recent publication from the secretariat of Pro-Life Activities, “Every person bears God’s image and has an immortal soul. Yet many are viewed as being outside the circle of love—unborn children whose parents are tempted to eliminate them, vulnerable people with illnesses and disabilities who risk being abandoned or even killed through misguided ‘mercy,’ prisoners on death row, forgotten or despised long after they have repented of their wrongdoing. Although it seems a paradox, the greater the sacrifices made out of love, the greater is our joy and peace. Whether it is the brave decision of a pregnant woman to reject abortion, and allows a loving family to parent her child when she cannot, or the daily sacrifices of parents in raising young children, or the hard work of caring for an elderly relative with dementia, when we step up to these challenges, God can stretch our hearts and fill them to overflowing with His love, joy, and peace. With hearts so transformed, we can become living witnesses to the meaning of Jesus’ mission, ‘I came that all might have life, and have it to the full.’”

Besides October being “Respect Life Month,” the month of October is also designated as the month of the Rosary. Perhaps if I may, I invite the people of the parish to pray the rosary with the intention that we re-instill in our families and communities this respect for life. The sad part is that so often our young people do not understand this devotion let alone being able to pray it. So I particularly challenge our families to pray the rosary together, helping our young people to use this devotion especially during this month of October.

I hope that you have noticed our new Holy Communion bowls. These new bowls match our cups and because of their size, our communion ministers can be more secure with distributing Holy Communion. Once again, these were gifts from my brother and sister-in-law, in memory of my mom and dad.

Recently, we re-established our “technology committee” for both our school and parish. This committee is charged with evaluating our technology plan, and then begin to plan for our needs, both immediate as well as future. For years, we have been using equipment given to us after the equipment was outdated in some businesses in Quincy, and then also have purchased some equipment according when funds were donated. We have operated out of a bandaid approach without a clear vision of where we want to be in a few years. And so this committee will assist us in planning for our future. We want our technology to assist us in our educational programs as well as keeping our parish up-to-date with our bulletins, record-keeping and other essential parts in running a parish our size. If anyone would like to serve on this committee who has some expertise, please let me know. Thanks!

—Mass Intentions—
Oct. 10-Oct. 16, 2011

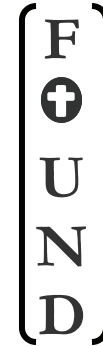
- 10, Monday: 8:00 a.m.
Tom McNeil
- 11, Tuesday: 8:00 a.m.
Laurine Frese
- 12, Wednesday: 8:30 a.m.
Mark Blickhan
- 13, Thursday: 8:00 a.m.
Bill Lierle
- 14, Friday: 8:00 a.m.
Larry Meyer
- 15, Saturday: 8:00 a.m.
Marian Aschemann
- 15, Saturday: 5:00 p.m.
Arlene Lamphere
- 16, Sunday: 8:00 a.m.
Our Parish Family
- 16, Sunday: 9:30 a.m.
Daniel Bohan
- 16, Sunday: 11:00 a.m.
All The Poor Souls

— Mass Schedule —
Mon.-Sat. at 8:00 a.m.
Except Wed. 8:30 a.m.

Saturday Evening Mass:
5:00 p.m.

Sunday Masses:
8:00 a.m., 9:30 a.m.,
11:00 a.m.

Sacrament of
Reconciliation
Saturdays:
7:30-7:50 a.m.
3:30 p.m. to 4:30 p.m.
Or By Appointment



Awake & Alive Tour/ Skillet Concert
October 25th

If you have purchased tickets,
meet Gina at 5:15 p.m. on the Northeast
Corner of the Oakley Lindsey Center
Parking Lot.

Doors open at 6:00 p.m.
Concert begins at 7:00 p.m.

Must have already purchased tickets
to sit with our group.
However, some individual standing
room only tickets may be purchased at
the door for \$18 plus tax and fees.

Call Gina Bergman with any
questions @ 217-430-6080

Pack the Pantry
Tally: 90

**Come Join
Us!**

**All 7th, 8th, &
9th graders and
their friends are
welcome!**

THANK YOU TO THE GARDENERS

A huge thank you to everyone for volunteering their gardening skills to make our Church and school so beautiful: Gina Dietrich, Marsha Evans, Shelly Holzgrafe, Gingly and Jerry Holzgrafe, Angie Lepper, Judy Nelson, Rhonda Wand, Alana and Bridget Flynn, Terry Anderson, Nate Frericks and a special thanks to Maureen Schuering for all of her help in organizing our fantastic gardeners.



Also many thanks to the Confirmands for all their faithful efforts in watering and keeping the flowers so beautiful: Ashley Wensing, Riley Hummert, Sydney Streiker, Brenden Nelson, Carter Henry, Shelly Connell, Ben Nord, Katie Vandenboom, and Jordyn Holtmeyer.

ANNUAL RESPECT LIFE DINNER

Please join us for a great dinner celebrating life on Tuesday, October 18 at 6:00 p.m. at the Knights of Columbus/Fr. McGivney Hall. The guest speaker will be Dr. Debra Peppers, host of Outreach connection television program on WTJR.

ST. VERONICA GUILD

St. Veronica Guild will meet on Thursday, October 13 in the lower level meeting room. Please join us in making prayer shawls and blankets for those who need to feel the love of Jesus.



CARE NET VOLUNTEER TRAINING

Care Net will host a volunteer training course beginning October 18th. For more information or to sign up, please call Care Net at 223-8200 and ask for Heidi.

CD of the Week

"From Slave to Priest" by Lighthouse Catholic Media. Augustine Tolton's story plus additional information on his ongoing canonization process.



Funeral Dishes

Reminder: Please pick up dishes from funeral luncheons. These are located in the Gym kitchen. Thank you for your contribution to the funeral luncheons.



QND Choral Department

The QND Choral Department will present a Fall Concert on Thursday, October 13 at 7:00 p.m. in the QND Cafeteria. The Mixed Chorus, Concert Chorale, and Madrigal Ensemble will perform a variety of sacred and secular music. Admission is free, and the public is invited to attend.



Rest in Peace

May the soul of
Betty Ellison and Wilma Maxwell
sing praises with the Angels in Heaven forever.

Mission Sunday 2011

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

Our Lord, before returning to the Father, announced the gift of the Holy Spirit and charged His followers with being His witnesses "to the ends of the earth" (Acts 1:8).

We are familiar with this fundamental duty of all Catholics. Each year, we renew this baptismal call, especially during our Easter celebration. And in October, as the entire Church celebrates World Mission Sunday, we have a chance to fulfill this duty in a special way. Through prayer and sacrifice we are able to support those missionaries who bring the "Good News" of Jesus to faraway places. In doing so, we are renewing our own vocation as missionaries. The Church is, after all, mission.

Thankfully, there are many organizations - some Catholic - that extend the treasure and talent of Americans to those parts of the world where people are struggling to get enough to eat or send their children to school. However, the Church's missionary activity begins with the proclamation of faith: "Jesus is Lord!" He is our common hope - a hope that not only clothes and educates, but also saves. On World Mission Sunday, October 23, I invite you to "celebrate the hope that saves" through prayer and participation in the Eucharist, and by giving generously to the World Mission Sunday collection.

Your vital contribution to the Pontifical Mission Societies will support those 1,150 young mission dioceses and communities who await the "Good News" of Jesus as their saving hope. As we pray and respond here in the United States, we join with every parish and chapel around the world to renew ourselves and our Church.

Sincerely yours in Christ,

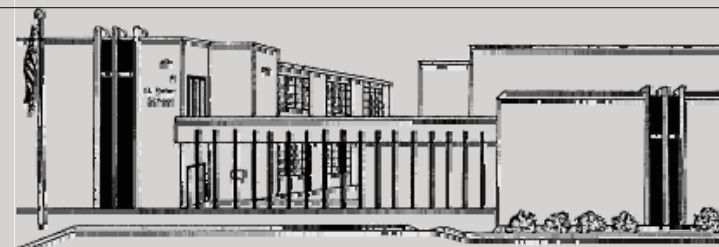
Most Reverend Thomas John Paprocki
Bishop of Springfield in Illinois

2011 QND Extravaganza 'Disco Fever'

Grab a group of friends and enjoy a fun night out while supporting QND! **November 4th** at The Ambiance, 5225 Koch's Lane; Dinner - Live and Silent Auction - Tuition Raffle. Beer and wine included. Doors open at 6:00. Cost \$50/per person. Call 223-2479 or 223-0527 for ticket info. Raffle tickets for a chance to win 1 year QND Tuition, 2 years Catholic grade school or \$3,000 are also available from your school office, QND, the Gene Grawe Fund or any committee member. Cost is \$50 per ticket.



The School of St. Peter



Week of October 9, 2011

A Message from Mrs. Janet Bick

"St. Peter School provides a quality education built on Catholic values and teachings."

MONDAY, OCTOBER 10-NO SCHOOL: Students will have Columbus Day off from school to enjoy the beautiful weather while the teachers meet to discuss ways to make a difference to our students. We will be reviewing our "7 Habits" plans and goals for the year and teachers will be given time to work on their curriculum mapping project.



JOIN US IN PRAYING THE ROSARY: Friday, October 14th, at 2:00 p.m. the students will gather in church to pray the rosary together. During October we pray for life and that will be the theme of our prayers while we pray the rosary as a school family. Please feel free to join us.

TECHNOLOGY COMMITTEE: We have formed a committee to guide Father Leo and me to make sound decisions about our technology needs (phones, paging and bell system for the school, wireless access, computers, etc.) for the parish and school. Thank you to Jeanne Anderson who has agreed to chair the committee. Members are Jeff Agard, Matt Bergman, Sally Blickhan, Matt Boudreau, Corey Dean, Scott Fitzgerald, Jim Murphy, and Andy Nelson. Father Leo, Cindy Venvertloh and I are also in attendance at the committee meetings. This past week we reviewed the technology survey conducted by Heart Technology out of Peoria and held a conference call with them. Priorities were discussed as well as where we would like to be in the future. Thank you to everyone on this committee for sharing their time and talents with our parish and school.



SUPPORT ST. PETER SCHOOL TECHNOLOGY PROGRAM DURING OUR PIZZA SALES!

St. Peter School students will be selling pizzas beginning October 1st through October 25th. Last year we sold a total of 2,574 pizzas. Our goal this year is 3,000! If you are not approached to buy a pizza, call us at school to place your order.

Saturday, November 5th the faculty, staff, and volunteers will be making these delicious pizzas. If you would like to volunteer to help make pizzas please call us at 223-1120. Thank you in advance for working to make this pizza sale a success.

DID YOU KNOW?? Each month the Quincy Catholic Elementary School principals, Mr. Heilman, QND principal, and Ann Williamson, the principal from St. Mary in Mt. Sterling meet to coordinate events, discuss needs and concerns for our schools, and share information from the diocese.



Follow us on FACEBOOK to know what is happening each day at St. Peter School.

MENU

Mon., No School!
Tues., Chicken noodle soup, mini tacos, crackers, mixed fruit, salsa, sour cream, milk
Wed., Breaded chicken sandwich on bun, apples & carmel dip, veggies, milk
Thurs., Beefy cheesy nachos, corn, fruit, sour cream, salsa, milk.
Fri., Stuffed bagel, hash browns, fresh fruit, juice, milk.

THIS WEEK

Mon., Oct. 10: Columbus Day-No School
Tues., Oct. 11: St. Peter Night at Papa John's Pizza
Wed., Oct. 12: School Mass at 8:30 a.m. prepared by our 8th grade; Collecting shoes in good condition for Soles4Souls; 4 year olds field trip to Central Fire Station
Thurs., Oct. 13: Representative students attend the Mission Mass in Springfield; QND will read to K-3
Fri., Oct. 14: Out of Dress Code for families who have made their donation to GSA

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Mark Your Calendars!

Mon., Oct. 10: Mom's Group, 6:30, Martha Jane
 Tues., Oct. 11: Exodus Bible Study, 8:45 a.m. Martha
 Tues., Oct. 11: Lectionary Bible Study, 2 p.m., Rectory
 Tues., Oct. 11: R.C.I.A., 7:00 p.m., Martha Jane
 Wed., Oct. 12: PSR, 6:15 p.m., School
 Thurs., Oct. 13: Cribbage, 1:00 p.m., Martha Jane
 Thurs., Oct. 13: Matthew Bible Study, 6:30 p.m.,
 Martha Jane Room
 Sat., Oct. 15: Rosary, 7:30 a.m., Church
 Sat., Oct. 15: Men's Cursillo, 8:30 a.m., Martha Jane
 Sun., Oct. 16: Childcare 9:30 a.m. Mass & Children's
 Liturgy of the Word

Fr. Leo's column continued...

Just to let you know, our RCIA process has commenced and we have about 12 people involved in meeting every Tuesday and learning more about the Catholic faith. As members of this faith community, I want to ask for your prayers for these inquirers as well as the team members. Besides this group of people, I am also instructing some individuals who are unable to meet at this particular time because of work schedule.

I hope that everyone read over what I published in our bulletin column last week concerning the financial giving in our parish. Let me clarify that these records are from those who use their parish envelopes. I am sure that some people will say that they contribute loose change every week and we will give them the benefit of the doubt. But to help us be proper stewards, I am asking our parishioners to use their parish envelopes. This says so much about belonging and being a member of this parish.

ON THE LIGHTER SIDE: One day the zoo-keeper noticed that the orangutan was reading two books: the Bible and Darwin's Origin of Species. In surprise, he asked the ape, "Why are you reading both these books?"

"Well," said the orangutan, "I just wanted to know if I was my brother's keeper or my keeper's brother." (explain this one to the kids)

A little boy was overheard praying, "Lord, if you can't make me a better boy, don't worry about it. I'm having a real good time like I am."



-Mass Servers-

Weekday Masses, October 10-October 15, 2011
 8:00 a.m. Lizzie Weimer, Blaine Wilson
 Saturday Mass, October 15, 2011
 5:00 p.m. Vanessa Lavery, Conner & Mackenzie Mahsman
 Sunday Masses, October 16, 2011
 8:00 a.m. Savannah Perrine, Jordan Frericks, Robert Gallaher
 9:30 a.m. Matthew Cornwell, Chase & Hunter Gibleon
 11:00 a.m. Tim & Zak Haubrich, Emily Kite

Daily Mass Ministry Schedule
 October 10-October 15, 2011
 Lector: Jim Steinkamp
 Extraordinary Ministers of the Eucharist:
 Bob & Mary Jo DeVries, Dick Hopkins



Pledges Received Families: 839	Total Cards Returned Families: 1,063
Total Amount Pledged	\$4,327,274.22
Total Receipts	\$4,370,474.63
Receipts for Oct.	\$25.00

WEEKLY PARISH OFFERING 2011

Week 14	Oct. 2	Total to Date
Loose Collections	\$944.89	\$13,545.05
Weekly Envelopes	\$21,079.00	\$269,706.49
Annual School Fund	\$14,192.00	\$101,437.27
Holy Days	\$65.00	\$1,711.00
Totals	\$36,280.89	\$386,399.81
Total Budget Goal	\$30,200.00	\$422,800.00
Difference	\$6,080.89	(\$36,400.19)

Thank you for your sacrificial giving to God through our Parish. May God reward your faithful generosity!

-Annual Catholic Services Appeal-

	Amt. Assessed	Amt. Pd.	Bal. Due
2009	\$119,681	\$49,826	\$ 69,855
2010	\$118,020	\$58,575	\$ 59,445
2011	\$106,635	\$0	\$106,635

The balance due must be paid out of parish operating expenses.
 Totals as of 5/11/11, 314 contributors

Parish in Action

F.Y.I.

Soles 4 Souls Collection is Next Sunday!

St. Peter Parish will be collecting gently-worn shoes of all types for persons who cannot afford shoes next weekend (October 15-16). To make a donation, please tie laces of a pair of shoes together or rubber-band mates of a pair of shoes together. Also, we are asking that you contribute \$1 per sole you are donating to help pay shipping costs. In addition to the Sunday Parish Collection, collections are planned at the school Mass and at PSR on Wednesday, October 12. Your generosity will be appreciated!



Taking a Stand for Life: Life Chain 2011



Prayer Partners Still Needed

We are still in need for Prayer Partners for second graders who are preparing for the Sacrament of Reconciliation in November.



To be a prayer partner, all you need to do is to pick up a sheep on the table in the narthex, hang the sheep on your refrigerator (or a place where you will see it), and pray for the child whose name is on the back of the sheep.

