



The Parish of St. Peter Quincy, IL

The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph Feast, December 31, 2017

~Mass Intentions~

January 1-7, 2018

- 1. Monday 8:00 a.m.
Zakery Haubrich
- 1. Monday 10:00 a.m.
Robert Schlepphorst
- 2. Tuesday 8:00 a.m.
Joan McGee
- 3. Wednesday 8:30am
Robert & Mildred Simms
- 4. Thursday 8:00 a.m.
Rita Stark
- 5. Friday 8:00 a.m.
Thomas Barnett
- 6. Saturday 8:00 a.m.
Fr. Roy Bauer
- 6. Saturday 5:00 p.m.
Farris Viar
- 7. Sunday 8:00 a.m.
Our Parish Family
- 7. Sunday 9:30 a.m.
Dr. Robert Murphy
- 7. Sunday 11:00 a.m.
Lisa Real

— Mass Schedule —

Monday-Saturday
8:00 a.m.
Wednesday 8:30 a.m.
Saturday 5:00 p.m.
Sunday 8:00 a.m.,
9:30 a.m., & 11:00 a.m.

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Saturday 7:30-7:50 am
or 3:30-4:30 pm,
or by appointment.

Dear Parishioners,

After a very beautiful Christmas celebration, the Church celebrates the Feast of the Holy Family of Jesus, Mary, and Joseph. In our gospel for this feast, we hear of this holy family fulfilling all the purification rituals according to the law of Moses. They present the child in the temple as written in the law, to offer a sacrifice for this child in accordance with the dictates of the law. It was in the presentation that they met a man named Simeon who blessed the child and revealed to Mary and Joseph how special this child would be. They also met a woman named Anna, who also spoke of this child, “giving thanks to God” for this child as she saw in Him a special role in the redemption of Israel. Then the gospel concludes, “when they had fulfilled all the prescriptions of the law of the Lord, they returned to Galilee, to their own town of Nazareth. The child grew and became strong, filled with wisdom; and the favor of God was upon Him.” This is all we seemingly know of the early childhood of Jesus. We could speculate that he probably learned the carpenter trade from his foster father, Joseph, and we can probably speculate that this child also learned from his parents about the faith and hope of Israel and experienced the love of his parents and other family members. This speculation is based upon our experiences of family and growing up. And if Jesus were like us in all things but sin, then we can easily identify with this experience of family.

This Monday, January 1st, is the Solemnity of Mary, the Mother of God. This is usually a Holyday of Obligation for all Catholics but since it falls on a Monday, the obligation is lifted. In other words, Catholics are not obliged to attend Mass on this day. However, since this day marks the beginning of a new year, and since we are a grateful people for the gift of time, I presumed that many of you would want to attend Mass on that day. So we will have a vigil Mass on Sunday night, December 31st, at 5:00 p.m. and then two Masses on Monday, January 1st—one at 8:00 a.m. and the other at 10:00 a.m. Hopefully with this Mass schedule you will find sometime to celebrate and give God thanks for the gift of time. As we celebrate this new year, my prayer is found in our first reading for this holyday which prays:

May the Lord bless you and keep you!

May the Lord let His face shine upon you and be gracious to you!

May the Lord look upon you kindly and give you peace!

On behalf of the school administration and parish staff and priests, I wish each and everyone of you a very **HAPPY AND BLESSED NEW YEAR!**

As I reflect upon this past year, 2017, I cannot thank each of you enough for being a part of our parish family. I am richly blessed by your faith, your hope, and your love. You have reflected a stewardship of this parish that reflects a thankful people, an attitude that truly is the foundation of our faith life. As we close out the old year and bring in the new, I want to say “thank you” for being the parishioners that you are, a true inspiration to me that God is ever present in our midst.

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Next Meeting

Event To Be Announced

Jan. 7th : 6:30pm—8:00pm

Martha Jane Room

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



Saints Alive!

Let Me See Your Halo
January 5 at 6:00—7:30pm
in the Gym

A youth group for 4th, 5th, & 6th grade Parishioners and guests! Have fun with your friends while you learn more about the Saints and your Catholic Faith. Come enjoy these fun evenings in the St. Peter Gym 6:00-7:30 p.m. Wear your Saints Alive Shirt or pick one up that night!

Rest in Peace
May the souls of
George Kroeger and Robert Buck
sing praises with the Angels in Heaven forever.

Baptism
Grace Vera Paul, daughter of Nicholas & Megan (Brennan) Paul, was made a child of God through the reception of the sacrament of Baptism on Saturday, December 23, 2017.

Welcome!
Please welcome to our parish family Fred & Marti Kientzle, and their children Parker & Faith and Scott Frese and his daughter Madison Frese!

Area Events
Sunday, February 10: St. Joseph Trivia Night & Silent Auction, Doors open at 5:30 p.m., Trivia starts at 6:30 p.m.; St. Joseph's Catholic Church, Quincy. All proceeds benefit the youth Catholic Heart Work Camp trip. \$120 donation for table of 8. All Mulligans must be purchased before trivia begins. Maid rites, nachos, hot dogs, popcorn & desserts can be purchased. Questions call Lucy Mewes at 224-458-4236.

Mass Times for New Year's Day
The Mass times for New Year's Day are Sunday, December 31st, at 5:00 p.m. and Monday, January 1st, at 8:00 a.m. and 10:00 a.m.

Coffee & Donuts and Fair Trade Sales Next Sunday
Please join us next Sunday, January 7, after all masses in the cafeteria for Coffee & Donuts, blood pressure screenings, and Fair Trade sale. The Fair Trade has lots of gifts, home décor, jewelry, coffee, chocolate and more.

Social Concerns Collection
Social Concerns will be collecting cereal next weekend, January 6-7 for the 1st Sunday collection for the Ladies of Charity. Containers will be located in the Narthex. Thank you in advance!

Don't Forget to Turn in Your Commitment Card
We're still in the midst of our annual Stewardship Renewal. If you haven't returned your Commitment Card, you still can mail it to the parish. Returning your card is an important part of being an active member of St. Peter. Please take this opportunity to express your support for our parish with your time, talent, and treasure!

Please keep the following in your prayers:

~Kristopher Schrecke	~Elias Erd	
~Mike Domme	~Sharon Zehnle	
~Billy Smith	~Jack O'Hara	
~Ian Mehaffy	~Arlene Lansing	
~Joan Lierle	~Mike Creek	~John Meyer
~Betty C. Wiewel	~Isabelle Meyer	~Penny Norton
~Kathy Schuckman	~Barbara Rowland	~Steve Hull
~Albert Angerer	~Norma Johnson	
~Theresa Holtschlag	~Joan Russell	
~Greg Shankland	~Lynn Shankland	
~Richard Slight	~Kay Peters	
~Silvia Cowell	~Kathy Rakers	

To have a name added to this list, please call the Parish Office at 222-3155 or email church@cospq.org.

CD of the Week
CDs for Advent and Christmas Season
A Journey Through Advent-Liturgical Cycle B
Prepare the Way of the King-Making the Most of Advent
Glory to the New Born King- Traditional Christmas Carols and Hymns
The True Meaning of Christmas
The Mystery of Christmas
God Made Man
St Joseph-The Patron of the Universal Church
Also available for your donation, in the CD donation slot, the book *Joy To The World* by Scott Hahn (while they last).
www.lighthousecatholicmedia.org promo code 104597

Adoration Chapel Hours
These are the available hours left in the Adoration Chapel: Monday 3:00-4:00am, Tuesday 1:00-2:00am, Wednesday 1:00-2:00am (2,4,5), 3:00-4:00pm, Friday 3:00-4:00pm and Sunday 1:00-2:00am, 2:00-3:00am. Please call Mary at 653-3127 or Gina at 257-9966. Chapel # is 214-0132.

Parish Office Closed on Monday
The Parish Office will be closed on Monday, January 1st.

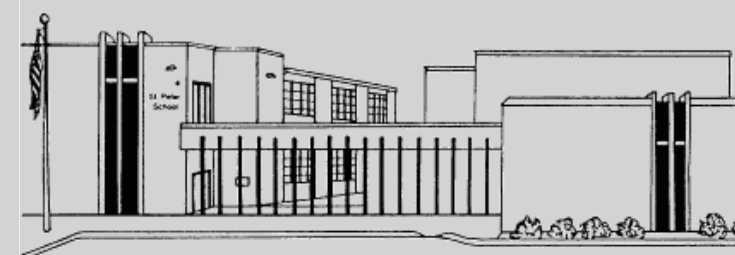
Men's Cursillo #331
Men's Cursillo #331 will be held January 18-21 in Quincy. Cursillo ("Cur see yo") is a three day weekend that introduces people to simple methods for nurturing and growing their relationship with Christ. It provides an experience of living in a Christian community centered in worship, prayer, study of scripture and interaction with other Christians. The Cursillo Movement is an official movement of the Catholic Church and fully supported by Bishop Thomas John Paprocki. Please note that non-Catholics are welcome. For more information or to receive an application please call Dwight/Barb Seeley at 217-224-5615 or go to www.quincy-cursillo.com and "applications".

K of C 5th Sunday Rosary
Knights of Columbus Council #583 will host the 5th Sunday Rosary gathering on December 31st at 4:00 p.m. in the North room of the Main Building at 700 South 36th here in Quincy. This reciting of the Rosary is for anyone who would like to come, not just for K of C members. It will be a great way to start the new year. Hope to see you there!
Mark Holtschlag - Grand Knight

QND Fine Arts Department Music Trivia Night
Please join us for the QND Music Trivia Night on Saturday, January 20, 2018 in St. Peter's gym. Doors will open at 6:30 p.m. and the event will start at 7:00 p.m. The cost is \$100.00 per table of eight. Get your friends together, bring your own refreshments and snacks and test your music knowledge! Proceeds will support the QND Fine Arts Department. To reserve a table call QND at 223-2479 or e-mail kwiemelt@qndhs.org. A registration form can be found at <http://www.quincynotredame.org/music-trivia-night/>. Reservations are confirmed when payment is received. Deadline to register is January 18, 2018. Must be 21 to participate.

Diocese Victim Assistance Coordinator
Pat Kornfeld, the Diocesan Victim Assistance Coordinator, can be reached at (217) 321-1155 or pkornfeld@dio.org.

The School of St. Peter



Week of December 31, 2017
A Message from Mrs. Cindy Venvertloh
"St. Peter School provides a quality education built on Catholic values and teachings."



Gingerbread Traditions
Did you know that we have a tradition at St. Peter School? For the last 31 years our Kindergarten students have constructed a gingerbread house with their parents or chosen loved one. Many of the St. Peter School alumni still talk about the time when they made their gingerbread houses when they were in Kindergarten. In fact, some have reported that they still have their creation and they bring it out every year as they decorate for Christmas!



Visit to Good Samaritan's home!
The 2nd grade were able to spread some Christmas cheer to Mrs. Hutson's mother!



Mrs. Gallaher and Mrs. Eaton delivered the collection of items given to CareNet for Christmas!

MENU
Monday: NO School.
Tuesday: NO School.
Wednesday: Pancakes & syrup, sausage link, hard boiled egg, veggie juice, mixed fruit.
Thursday: Baked potato bar, ham/broccoli/cheese, frosted brownie, fresh grapes.
Friday: Cheese burger sliders, French fries, romaine salad, mandarin oranges.

THIS WEEK
Monday, Jan. 1: **Happy New Year**
Tuesday, Jan. 2:
Wednesday, Jan. 3: **School Resumes** with full bus service; **8:30 Children's Mass** led by 6th grade; 2:17 dismissal
Thursday, Jan. 4: **No Handbell Choir**
Friday, Jan. 5:
Follow us on Facebook to keep up with all school activities!



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Mark Your Calendar

Mon. Jan. 1: Mass at 8:00 a.m. and 10:00 a.m.
Parish office closed

Tues. Jan. 2: Novena 8:30 a.m., Church
RCIA 7:00 p.m., Martha Jane Room

Wed. Jan. 3: PSR 6:15 p.m., School
Ladies Cursillo 7:00 p.m., Fr. Bauer Prayer Room

Thurs. Jan. 4: Cribbage 1:00 p.m., Martha Jane Room

Fri. Jan. 5: Saints Alive 6:00 p.m., Gym

Sat. Jan. 6: Rosary 7:30 a.m., Church

Sun. Jan. 7: Coffee & Donuts, Fair Trade, Blood Pressures after
All Masses in the Cafeteria
Daycare 9:30 a.m., Maria Goretti Room
Liturgy of the Word 9:30 a.m. Mass, Martha Jane Room

—*Mass Servers*—

Weekday Masses, January 2-6:
8:00 a.m. Chandler Cain, Claire McCutchen

Saturday Mass, January 6:
5:00 p.m. Sophia Weis, Lily Koettters

Sunday Masses, January 7:
8:00 a.m. Olivia & Alyssa Ley
9:30 a.m. Lucas Ludwig, Elena Mast
11:00 a.m. Ava & Mason Monteyne

—*Daily Mass Ministry Schedule*—

January 2-6:
Lector: John Ley
EMHC:
Angela Lepper, Ruth Koch

Fr. Leo's column continue
From the Book of Blessings of a Family on this Feast of the Holy Family:

O God, you have created us in love and saved us in mercy, and through the bond of marriage you have established the family and willed that it should become a sign of Christ's love for His Church. Shower your blessings on these families gathered here in your name. Enable those who are joined by one love to support one another by their fervor of spirit and devotion to prayer. Make them responsive to the needs of others and witnesses to the faith in all they say and do. We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen

The razing of the old convent is almost complete. As I said earlier, the reason to bring this down was that we were presented with a bid that we could not refuse. The building itself, although important in its time and served its purpose, was now a storage shed that we no longer needed. The area will look different and I reassure you that this space will remain vacant.

ON THE LIGHTER SIDE: The father of the family had received a vibrator massage chair for Christmas. One day the phone rang and five-year-old Tommy answered. Tommy told the caller: "Oh, my dad can't come to the phone; he's in the electric chair."

"Bobby, did you see Santa Claus last night?" his mother asked him on Christmas morning.
"No, mom," said Bobby, "it was too dark; but I did hear him when he knocked his toe against the bed post."
Maggi-Lee J. Eulow

WEEKLY COLLECTION		
	Dec. 24 & 25	Total to Date
Loose Collections	\$2,488.33	\$26,079.83
Weekly Envelopes	\$20,921.00	\$633,277.43
Annual School Fund	\$15,559.00	\$271,923.00
Holy Days	\$51.22	\$9,759.22
Christmas	\$37,635.00	\$38,356.00
Totals	\$76,654.55	\$979,395.48
Total Budget Goal	\$32,000.00	\$832,000.00
Difference	\$44,654.55	\$147,395.48

Diocesan Collections

Haiti: \$397
Retired Religious: \$415
Dependent Children: \$1,869

Haiti Sister Parish Collections

Collected: \$65,818.40
As of 12/25/2017

Amt. Assessed	2017	\$139,489.00
Paid		\$ 47,794.79
		Amt Due: \$ 91,694.21

244 Parishioners have contributed as of 11/22/17

Parish in Action


Diocese of Springfield in Illinois
 Catholic Pastoral Center • 1615 West Washington • Springfield, Illinois 62702-4757
 www.dio.org (217) 698-8500 Fax: (217) 698-0802
 Office of the Bishop

December 2017

Dear Friends in Christ,


For the past 138 years, the Catholic Children's Home in Alton has served as a 'beacon of hope' for thousands of children who have needed the love and compassion of God's mercy in their lives.

Today, the Catholic Children's Home continues this mission by meeting the emotional, social, academic and basic needs of all the children sent for care and professional services, including a new program designed to serve the needs of children faced with the struggles of Autism.

These children have been chronically abused, labeled "unmanageable" by their schools, or simply have had no place to call home. They are some of the most vulnerable in our society. The holidays are a particularly difficult time of year for these youth.

In the spirit of Christ's special affection for all children, I ask that you continue to support the work of the Catholic Children's Home and generously contribute to the special collection held at Christmas. In the words of Pope Francis, "We need to see each child as a gift to be welcomed, cherished and protected."

May God touch your hearts with his grace and mercy during these Advent and Christmas days.

Sincerely yours in Christ,

 Most Reverend Thomas John Paprocki
 Bishop of Springfield in Illinois

K of C 2018 Calendar Raffle
 365 Chances to win
 \$23,950 in cash prizes

You could be a winner every day in 2018 by purchasing a K of C Raffle Calendar. Each day a name is drawn and that lucky person is notified by mail that they are a winner. The cost is \$25 per calendar and are available at the main clubhouse (700 S. 36th St.) during regular business hours or by calling Mike Schlipmann at 223- 6658 or John Veith at 653-0258. Your purchase helps support Council 583 charities which includes our Catholic schools, coats for kids and food pantries. Thank you for your support! The K of C Raffle Calendars make great Christmas gifts! 365 chances to win cash in 2018 for only \$25 per calendar. Call John Veith at 653-0258 or Mike Schlipmann at 223-6658 for more details or to purchase your 2018 Raffle Calendar. Your purchase will help support the K of C charities which includes our Catholic Schools, coats for kids and food pantries. Thanks for your support.

Save The Date!
7th Annual St. Peter Pancake and Sausage Breakfast

Sunday, January 28th, 2017 8:30am-12:30pm
 \$5 per plate - all you can eat!
 Featuring Chris Cakes Flying Pancakes Join us for a Flippin' Good Time!
 St. Peter School Gym, 25th and Maine

