



The Parish of St. Peter Quincy, IL

First Sunday of Advent, November 29, 2020

~Mass Intentions~

Nov. 30-Dec. 6, 2020

- 30. **Monday 8:00 a.m.**
Dorothy Schlipman
- 1. **Tuesday 8:00 a.m.**
Dick Olps
- 2. **Wednesday 8:30am**
Mary Venvertloh
- 3. **Thursday 8:30 a.m.**
Marilyn Gibson
- 4. **Friday 8:00 a.m.**
Bob & Eileene Anderson
- 5. **Saturday 8:00 a.m.**
Isabelle Daly
- 5. **Saturday 5:00 p.m.**
Wayne Bergman &
Charles Henry
- 6. **Sunday 8:00 a.m.**
Jerry Kemner
- 6. **Sunday 9:30 a.m.**
Jeff Burgess
- 6. **Sunday 11:00 a.m.**
Our Parish Family

— Mass Schedule —

Monday-Saturday
8:00 a.m.

Wednesday 8:30 a.m.
Thursday 8:30 a.m. (during
Covid—2nd School Mass)

By Reservation Only:
Saturday 5:00 p.m.

By Reservation Only:
Sunday 8:00 a.m.,
9:30 a.m., & 11:00 a.m.

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Saturday: 3:30-4:30 p.m.

Dear Parishioners,

On this the last weekend of November, the Church begins a new liturgical year with this First Sunday of Advent. What this means is that our readings for Sundays and the weekdays are changed to a different cycle of readings. So for this year, we are in the Year A in our Sunday cycle of readings. (Just to remind you that these cycle of readings are a three year period, A, B, and C.) Our weekday readings are in Cycle II of a two year cycle of readings (Cycle I, Cycle II). The emphasis in our Sunday readings for Year A is the gospel of St. Matthew.

Advent is the season (time) that “has a two-fold character, for it is a time of preparation for the Solemnities of Christmas, in which the First Coming of the Son of God to humanity is remembered, and likewise a time when, by remembrance of this, minds and hearts are led to look forward to Christ’s second Coming at the end of time. For these two reasons, Advent is a period of devout an expectant delight.” (Universal Norms for the Liturgical Year)

One of the customs of the Season of Advent is to have an Advent Wreath with four candles in it, three purple and one rose. For each Sunday of Advent, we light a candle, two purple for the first two Sundays, rose for the Third Sunday, and purple for the final Sunday of Advent. Before you light the candle, listen to the prophet Isaiah (9:1-2, 5-6). Upon completion, the prayer of blessing is as follows: “Lord God, your Church joyfully awaits the coming of its Savior, who enlightens our hearts and dispels the darkness of ignorance and sin. Pour forth your blessing upon us as we light the candles of this wreath; may their light reflect the splendor of Christ who is Lord, forever and ever. Amen.”

Once again, I remind you of the dispensation from the Sunday obligation. I do this, not because I want to discourage you from Mass, but rather that I care so much for you that I don’t want anyone coming to Church when they are either feeling sick or might be vulnerable because of other weaknesses that are a part of your lives that could be detrimental if you caught the virus. I just hope and pray that this ends soon. But in the meantime, if you are in one of these compromising states, I Invite you to watch us on YOUTUBE or on our website. Until we are able to return to some normalcy, this will have to do for many of you. I’m very thankful that we have this new technology and if I do say so myself, it’s one of the best I have seen. But again for those who do attend, remember to keep your distance, and to wear your masks. Again, we have not had a case of contact tracing because of someone who caught the virus in Church. Praise the Lord for this!

Confessions will begin starting this week, Monday, Wednesday, and Friday, 6:00-7:00 p.m. These times are open to everyone in the parish to prepare them for Christmas. These times are also available to our 2nd graders who will be receiving their First Reconciliation this Advent. Everyone is invited!

Reminder to our parishioners that we are in our last weeks of having you return your Stewardship Commitment cards to us. These are very important and help us to know who are active parishioners in our parish. This latter point assists us in our tuition subsidy for St. Peter School. Take these cards to prayer and allow God to guide you in your renewal of your time, talents, and treasures.

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Next Meeting
Virtual “Christmas Trivia”
December 13, 2020
7:00 p.m. - 7:40 p.m.

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



Saints Alive!
Let Me See Your Halo
To Be Announced
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!

Baptisms

Scarlett Journey Chandou, Penelope Camille Chandou and Theodore Luc Chandou, children of Luc & Melaina (Vaughan) Chandou, were made children of God through the reception of the sacrament of Baptism on Saturday, November 21, 2020.

Vera Ann Barry, daughter of Steven & Olivia (Elbe) Barry, was made a child of God through the reception of the sacrament of Baptism on Sunday, November 22, 2020.

Mass Sign Ups

On weekend Masses, there will be 175 online sign ups and 25 sign ups available in the narthex for each Mass. We will resume with our regular Mass schedule. Any slots left in the narthex by 12 pm on Friday will be transferred to the online sign up. You can find the sign up on our website www.cospq.org. We will try to have this available on Wednesdays by noon.

There will not be sign ups for the daily morning Masses and they will resume with the regular scheduled times.

Sacrament of Reconciliation

In preparation for Christmas, we will offer the opportunity for the Sacrament of Reconciliation during Advent. It will be offered on the following days:

Specific weekdays: 6:00-7:00 p.m.

11/30, 12/2, 12/4, 12/9, 12/11, 12/14, 12/16

Saturdays: 7:30 a.m.-7:50 a.m. and 3:30 p.m.-4:30 p.m.

12/5, 12/12, 12/19

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, it is NOT too late. Returning your card is an important part of being an active member of St. Peter. Please take this opportunity to discern how God is calling you to grow closer to Him this year. Remember, you can choose to fill out your commitment card online on our parish website.

Chaddock Outreach - Santa Express

Each year Chaddock collects and distributes hundreds of presents to the children they serve and their families. With so many items, they are in need of extra hands to catalog, sort and wrap gifts. All work will be done with Shawna Bunnell in the Osborn building at Chaddock. Volunteers will be in two separate rooms and socially distanced. Please plan to have your temperature taken and wear a mask. The work sessions are December 3, 4, 5, 8, 10, 12, 15, and 17. You can sign up using the link below or contact Elizabeth Brown (217) 257-9085. Thank you!

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/4090E4BABA728A31-chaddock2>

Please keep the following in your prayers:

~Kristopher Schrecke

~Elias Erd

~Lilli Foster

~Ian Mehaffy

~John Meyer

~Isabella Benner

~Sharon Zehnle

~Ray Peters

~Steve Sinnock

~Steve Hull

~Betty C. Wiewel

~Mike Creek

~Kathy Schuckman

~Arlene Lansing

~Norma Johnson

~Howard Buckley

~Dorothy Davis

~Chris Bockius

~Avery Cowick

~Larry Phillips

~Michelle Houston

~Valerie Ortbal



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

Miracles for Mandi

Dear parishioners of St. Peter's:

We are reaching out for prayers, love, and support for Mandi Dickerman and her family. Mandi and her husband Randy have two daughters, Maddie and Eva Dickerman, all parishioners of St. Peter's Church.

Mandi was diagnosed with triple negative breast cancer and went through chemo and radiation treatments. Most recently, she found the cancer had metastasized to her liver and one lymph node. With doctors here not optimistic of more medical treatments, Mandi has found an immune therapy facility in Mexico called, Hope4Cancer. She is currently there receiving immune building treatments to kill cancer cells and restore health.

With limited insurance coverage, prior, and future expenses, we have set up a "go fund me" site for Mandi and are also taking direct donations. Please help us support Mandi and her family through this very challenging journey! You can make direct donations by contacting Kelly Terwelp at 217-257-3855 or by the "go fund me" site. Simply go to gofundme.com and search "Miracles for Mandi".

From our entire family, we appreciate your support! Thank You.

Double the Money - Double the Impact! - WE'RE ALMOST THERE!

The Quincy Catholic Elementary Schools (QCES) Foundation is very close to reaching its goal of raising \$25,000 in order to meet the "\$25,000 Challenge Grant," from the Tracy Family Foundation (TFF). The TFF will match, dollar for dollar up to \$25,000, all new gifts to the QCES Foundation received between August 1st and December 1st, 2020, for its *Special COVID-19 Pandemic Tuition-Assistance Fund Appeal*. The appeal is being conducted to replace the \$100,000 in lost revenue because the QCES Foundation was forced to cancel the 2020 "EVERYBODY WINS" Mega Raffle last March because of the pandemic. With your help, we can reach our goal!

If you have not yet given a gift to the *Special COVID-19 Pandemic Tuition-Assistance Fund Appeal*, or if you previously donated to the appeal and have the means to make a second gift, the QCES Foundation encourages you to please send your donation by Dec. 1st, 2020. All gifts postmarked by Dec. 1st, 2020 will be eligible to meet the challenge grant match. Checks should be made payable to the *QCES Foundation Tuition-Assistance Fund*, and mailed to - QCES Foundation, 2223 St. Anthony Rd., Quincy, IL 62305. For more info. about this fund challenge grant, or other giving opportunities to QCES, please contact Paul Rittof at 217-779-3157 or prittof@quincycatholicschools.org. *Thank you in advance for your support!*

Food Collected By PSR

PSR students, parents, families and teachers gathered for a Mass of Thanksgiving on November 18th. We collected non-perishable food items for Ladies of Charity and Quincy Neighborhood Federation's Blessing Boxes. **246 items were collected!** I am overwhelmed and so grateful to the generosity of our group. St. Peter's is truly a giving parish and this is another way we give back to those in need. We are extremely blessed and we share with others. This is what Jesus has called us to do and I could not be more pleased and proud of our parish family.

My heartfelt thanks to all. Happy Thanksgiving!

The School of St. Peter

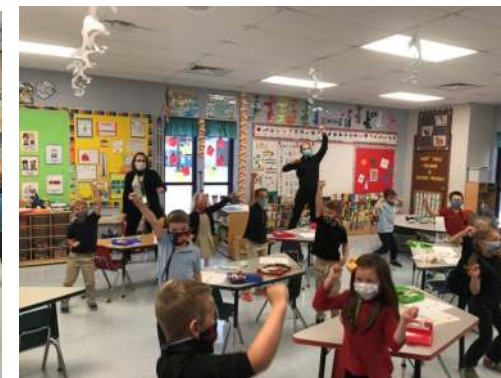


Week of November 29, 2020

A Message from Mrs. Cindy Venvertloh

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

FR PAWEL KEEPS THE STUDENTS MOVING



Fr. Pawel visits classrooms weekly to answer many of the children's questions about the Catholic faith. One of his visits included "working out" with the Kindergarten students. Each performed various exercises to keep their minds working and active.

CHANGE OF THANKSGIVING LETTER WRITING

Our regular routine of sending out Thank You letters has changed somewhat due to learning from home the past two weeks. Students will still write their letter of thanks to someone that has touched their life in a special way but because of our unexpected time away from in person learning, we will work on these letters in December.



Once again, just to explain, these letters will be to someone that they feel blessed to have in their life. It could be someone that has been kind to them, helped them in different ways, or had a positive influence in their life. Thank you so much for your help with this special project. Grades K-8 will choose someone extra special to write a thank you letter to during this season.

The students and staff at St. Peter would like to extend a message of thanks to our parishioners who support us in various ways. We are blessed for your constant support and prayer. Thank you for helping to make St. Peter an amazing school with many opportunities. We sincerely appreciate it.

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Lunches - To Be Announced

What is happening this week?

Mon., Nov. 30: **Return to in person learning; Distance Learners** pick up materials between 4:00-5:00 p.m.

Tues., Dec 1: **Winter MAP testing** begins for grades 2nd-8th; **Reconciliation for grade 3-5.**

Wed., Dec. 2: **Advent Bingo** begins; **8:30 Children's Mass: gr. 7 & 8 attend; Reconciliation for grades 6-8.**

Thurs, Dec, 3: **Yearbook Photo Retake Day; 8:30 Children's Mass: gr. 3 & 6 attend.**

Friday, Dec. 4: **SPIRIT DAY**—be sure to wear your Spirit Day shirts and bring in a 25 cent donation for Chaddock.

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Mark Your Calendar

Mon. Nov. 30: Reconciliation 6:00-7:00pm, Church
Tues. Dec. 1: Novena 8:30 a.m., Church
 RCIA 7:00 p.m., Martha Jane Room
Wed. Dec. 2: Reconciliation 6:00-7:00pm, Church
 PSR 6:15 p.m., School
 Ladies Cursillo 7:00 p.m., Fr. Bauer Prayer Room
Thurs. Dec. 3:
Fri. Dec. 4: Reconciliation 6:00-7:00pm, Church
Sat. Dec. 5: Rosary 7:30 a.m., Church
Sun. Dec. 6:

Fr. Leo's column continued....

We will have our old music books in the narthex of the Church for any parishioner who would like to take them and use them at home. Since we no longer can have them in the pews, we invite you to take them home with you.

Many of you have received a letter from the bishop inviting you to take part in the parish tithing program which the diocese has introduced. This takes the place of the Annual Catholic Services Appeal and is based on the Scriptural premise of a tithe to support the Church's greater ministry on the diocese. I ask you to support this effort by your contribution directly to the diocese, thus reducing our parish tithe to the diocese. This year our parish tithe is \$149,656.

FYI: Last Thursday, we celebrated Thanksgiving Day. Just want you to know that all of you were in my prayers on this day as I was filled with thanksgiving for each of you who are God's gifts to me. With gratitude I thanked my God and yours for this wonderful parish family.

ON THE LIGHTER SIDE: A young mother was preparing breakfast for her two young sons, a five year old and a three year old. They were arguing over who would get the first pancake.

The mother, trying to instill good morals in her sons, asked them to remember WWJD. She said that means what would Jesus do. She enlightened them by saying Jesus would say under these circumstances, "let my brother have the first pancake."

The five year old quickly turned to the three year old and said, "You play Jesus."

Magi. Leo J. Eulow

—Masses—

Sign up Required for Weekend Masses Starts Wednesdays at Noon

No Sign up required for Daily Masses

—Mass Servers—

Not Assigned At This Time

—Daily Mass Ministry Schedule—

Not Assigned At This Time



WEEKLY COLLECTION		Total to Date
Loose Collections	Because of the Holiday, November 22nd collection will be in next weekend's bulletin.	
Regular Collections		
Annual School Fund		
Holy Days		
Totals		
Total Budget Goal		
Difference		

Diocesan Collections

In Next Weekend's Bulletin

Haiti Sister Parish Collections

In Next Weekend's Bulletin

Parish in Action

2020 Giving Wreaths



Can you believe we are fast approaching Christmas. Where does the time go? Again, this year St. Peters will sponsor the Giving Wreath. This is a program that allows us at St. Peters a way to help those in our community who are less fortunate. Several local organizations send the needs of their people. Each need is put on a tag and we put those tags out on tables in the Narthex.

This is happening **Now through December 6**. You can choose a tag(s) before or after church. The gifts are to be wrapped and returned to Church with the gift tag **securely taped** during the weekend of **December 12 and 13**. The local organizations will pick up their gifts on December 14, so **NO** gifts delivered after December 13. This will replace the Social Concerns 1st Sunday collection for December. Thank you in advance for your generosity!



Social Concerns 5th Sunday Collection

November 28 & 29 is the Fifth Sunday collection for the Social Concerns Committee. Please consider making a donation to help support our community. Thank you for your generosity!

A Prayer for Protection In Time Of Pandemic



O Mary, you always brighten our path as a sign of salvation and of hope. We entrust ourselves to you, Health of the Sick, who, at the Cross, took part in Jesus' pain while remaining steadfast in faith.

O loving Mother, you know what we need, and we are confident you will provide for us as at Cana in Galilee. Intercede for us with your Son Jesus, the Divine Physician, for those who have fallen ill, for those who are vulnerable, and for those who have died. Intercede also for those charged with protecting the health and safety of others and for those who are tending to the sick and seeing a cure.

Help us, O Mother of Divine Love, to conform to the will of the Father and to do as we are told by Jesus, who took upon himself our suffering and carried our sorrows, so as to lead us, through the Cross, to the glory of the Resurrection. Amen.

Christmas Decorations (Please print legibly)

To make a donation (\$10.00) for Christmas poinsettias & decorations in memory of a loved one, please put money in a plain envelope labeled "Christmas Decorations" by Sunday, December 13, please include:

A Donation for Christmas Decorations

Given by: _____

In Memory of: _____