



The Parish of St. Peter Quincy, IL

~Mass Intentions~ February 1-7, 2021

1. **Monday 8:00 a.m.**
Katie Brink
2. **Tuesday 8:00 a.m.**
Susan Cunningham
3. **Wednesday 8:30 a.m.**
Rita Stark
4. **Thursday 8:30 a.m.**
Dan Barry
5. **Friday 8:00 a.m.**
Ann Anderson
6. **Saturday 8:00 a.m.**
Steve Peters
6. **Saturday 5:00 p.m.**
Edward Rittorf
7. **Sunday 8:00 a.m.**
Our Parish Family
7. **Sunday 9:30 a.m.**
Dr. Robert Murphy
7. **Sunday 11:00 a.m.**
Dee Burnham

— 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.

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**Sunday 8:00 a.m.,
9:30 a.m., & 11:00 a.m.**

Sacrament of Reconciliation

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

Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time, January 31, 2021

Dear Parishioners,

Well the month of January is now a memory. It seems to have dragged along in a slow pace, but we have survived this month with the pandemic still at large as well as the winter weather affecting the things we can do or not do. With the vaccine being distributed, we may be able to restore some normalcy to our lives in the near future. As far as the winter weather, we are about less than two months before our calendar says it's Spring. So let's all hang in there and remain people filled with that virtue of hope.

In my bulletin column last week, I presented the Bishop's concern about the Communion procession as well as people who are not Catholic as well as our children coming forward to receive a blessing. In a spirit of obedience and cooperation, we will follow his desire and will abide by his directions. Instead of blessings, we will still acknowledge those coming forward, be they young or old, and invite them to a spiritual communion as we say, "receive Christ in your hearts." I ask all of our Eucharistic ministers to follow this direction. I know that habits are hard to break as I find myself still wanting to bless especially the children. It will take time but let's put our efforts into it and we will survive even this.

Our Bishop is also looking at returning normalcy to our celebration of the Eucharist by limiting the dispensation from Sunday Mass. Not sure when that will happen as we still are bound by the social distancing mandate from the government. As long as the social distancing is in place, we really can't increase our attendance because of the limitations in seating in the Church. But in an effort to provide more opportunities for people to celebrate the Eucharist with us, and still maintain the social distancing, we will be having weeknight Masses offered at 6:30 p.m. during Lent. Again, this is a tremendous opportunity to celebrate the Eucharist on a weekly basis or even daily basis for people who have stayed away because of the COVID. Please think about this as an opportunity for you and your families.

This weekend we begin to celebrate National Catholic School's Week in our country. This is the week we acknowledge the value of Catholic Schools in our community and continue our pledge to support and maintain them as a ministry of our parish to spread our Catholic faith. I am a product of Catholic education and to this day I continue to appreciate all that I received in going to a Catholic school. And so I cherish my Catholic schools as they helped frame and nurture me in my educational experiences. They allowed me to grow in my faith, to practice my faith, and to be able to celebrate the sacraments as well as to be able to pray each and every day. That in itself is a valuable asset to any young person as they face the struggles and challenges of life. Did we have all the opportunities of the public school system? No, but what we did have was an acknowledgment of our faith life, a better understanding of being a good citizen on earth while keeping our focus on the things that will last, namely eternal life. I want to thank you for your continual support of Catholic education as it provides a foundation for being a good citizen of earth and of heaven. May God bless you for helping our young people appreciate and live their life of faith.

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Next Meeting

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To Be Determined

6:30 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.

Drop Off & Pick Up at Cafeteria Doors

Wear a mask and social distance.

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!

Rest in Peace
May the soul of
Marilyn Mating
sing praises with the Angels in Heaven forever.

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. 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.

Social Concerns 5th Sunday Collection

January 30 & 31 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!

Social Concerns Collection

Social Concerns will be collecting toilet paper, laundry detergent, dish soap, shampoo, bar soap and deodorant next weekend, February 6-7 for the 1st Sunday collection for Quincy Catholic Charities. Containers will be located in the Narthex. Thank you in advance!

Men's Group

The Men's Group will be starting its spring program on Friday, February 26th. The program material is titled "The Search". This is an exciting and impactful program. Doors open at 6:00 AM, program starting around 6:30 and finishing before 7:30AM. Please join us in fellowship and faith. If you have questions you can contact Doug Greenwell or Mark Strieker. It will run 7 weeks (skipping Good Friday).

February 1st Deadline for Your Commitment Card

We're still in 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. Our deadline in February 1st.

Moving?

If you are moving, please call the parish office at 222-3155 to give us your new address. We get charged for any returned newsletters, contribution envelopes, or mailings.

Please keep the following in your prayers:

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| ~Kristopher Schreacke | ~Elias Erd | |
| ~Lilli Foster | ~Ian Mehaffy | |
| ~John Meyer | ~Isabella Benner | |
| ~Sharon Zehnle | ~Alden Shipp | ~Lorna Shade |
| ~Steve Sinnock | ~Steve Hull | ~Theresa Althoff |
| ~Penny Norton | ~Mike Creek | ~Ted Kemner |
| ~Kathy Schuckman | ~Arlene Lansing | ~Amy Seibert |
| ~Norma Johnson | ~Howard Buckley | ~Julia Maas |
| ~Dorothy Davis | ~Chris Bockius | ~Jack Terford |
| ~Avery Cowick | ~Larry Phillips | ~Anonymous |
| ~Michelle Houston | ~Valerie Ortbal | ~Cal Noelke |

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



Housekeeper Wanted for St. Peter Parish Office

St. Peter is looking for someone to clean & do laundry for the parish office and rectory. Part time position up to 10 hours a week. Please call the Parish Office at 222-3155.

Broadcast Ministry Looking for More People

The St. Peter Parish Broadcast Ministry is looking for a few more participants. We have been up and running now for a couple of months, and we hope you agree that this is a worthwhile ministry, especially at this time when our parishioners might opt to stay home during Covid. We are literally bringing our parish and our unique message right into your living rooms! For more information, or to inquire how to join this ministry (don't worry - we'll train you!), contact Monica Scholz, m.scholz@cospq.org.

Help Us Spread a Little Sunshine This Lent!

St Peter Parish is asking for parishioners to sign up to be part of our Sunshine Crew. This new ministry will reach out to our Homebound/Nursing Home parishioners through letters and cards throughout Lent. If you are interested in signing up, we are asking you to send a letter, card, note with children's artwork, etc., WEEKLY during Lent 2021. Once you sign up via the Signup Genius link below, you will be emailed the Name and Address of a Homebound/Nursing Home parishioner before Ash Wednesday, February 17th, 2021. Please help us bring some sunshine to our Homebound/Nursing Home parishioners! If you have any questions, please contact Jodi McDonald (5mcdonaldsjc@gmail.com) or Lyn Strieker (l.strieker@cospq.org). <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/60B0B4CA5AE22A64-stpeter1>

Quincy Notre Dame Job Openings

QND has the following positions open for the 2021-22 school year: Full-time Science Teacher, Full-time English Teacher and Part-time Choral Director. Must have secondary certification. All candidates should send on or before Friday, February 5, a cover letter, resume and two letters of reference to QND Principal Mark McDowell, mmcdowell@qndhs.org.

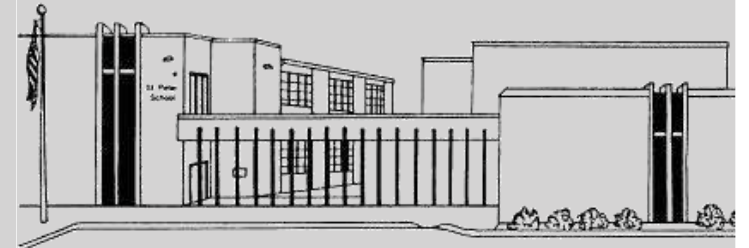
Catholic Times Online Edition

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Updates for Email Addresses

We have been trying to stay connected to you in various ways. If you have e-mail and have not received e-mails from us recently, we may not have your e-mail address or perhaps not the correct one. Now more than ever it is important that we have this up-to-date for you. If you have not received e-mails from us recently, please e-mail Lyn Strieker and let her know at L.STRIEKER@COSPQ.ORG. If your address or phone number(s) (home or cell) has changed, you can include that as well.

The School of St. Peter



Week of January 31, 2021

A Message from Mrs. Cindy Venvertloh

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



Catholic Schools Week 2021

"Faithful friends are a sturdy shelter; whoever finds one finds a treasure." ~Sirach 6:14

All week students are asked to bring in a canned food item to support the Souper Bowl of Caring Campaign. We are collecting canned food items to help the needy in our community. The highest collecting homeroom (per student) will earn an out of dress code week! You can bring in your donation all week. The final count will be taken Friday morning to determine the winning homeroom.

Saturday & Sunday, January 30th & 31st: IN OUR PARISH

Parishioners will enjoy a slideshow prior to each Mass depicting the appreciation we have for our families, parishioners and community.

Monday, February 1st: IN OUR COMMUNITY

Dress Code: Wear a hat in class day!

Who Am I? Students will learn about specific saints during morning announcements and play Saint Bingo each morning.

Patriot Mail: Students will connect with other students by writing to one another and sharing information about themselves. - *All About Me* paper will be given to another student at St. Peter

Activity: Pray a rosary with your class - please bring in a rosary for this activity if you have one!

Project: Souper Bowl of Caring - bring in your canned food item by Friday - win an out of dress code week. **Stewardship Pillar-**Prayer

Tuesday, February 2nd: IN OUR STUDENTS

Dress Code: Wear your favorite (appropriate) T-Shirt/outfit! Out of dress code bottoms can be worn.

Who Am I? Saint Bingo - which saints will be chosen today?

Patriot Mail: Receive mail and learn all about another person in St. Peter School

Activity: Game day! Play a game in your classroom.

Stewardship Pillar-Hospitality

Wednesday, February 3rd: IN OUR NATION

Dress Code: USA Day! Wear red, white, or blue and show your excitement for the USA!

Who Am I? Saint Bingo - which saints will be chosen today?

Patriot Pen Pal: Color a picture for your pen pal.

Activity: Reach out in the community and write a letter to a place your class chooses. Examples may include a nursing home, hospital, rectory, etc.

Stewardship Pillar-Service

Thursday, February 4th: IN OUR VOCATIONS

Dress Code: Saint Day! This is your day to shine as you represent a saint! Dress up like one of your favorite saints you look up to. You may dress as the saint themselves or wear something that represents what they may be the patron saint of. Your teachers will share ideas with you. A badge will be worn to share who you are representing. Don't be afraid to share what your saint is known for with others so that they can learn about your saint too!

Patriot Mail: Receive mail from another student. Get to know someone new.

Who Am I? Listen to a short biography over a saint and look for that saint on student Bingo card

Activity: Pray a Litany of the Saints in your classroom. Allow students to share about the saint they chose to dress as and why that saint is a role model

Stewardship Pillar-Formation

Friday, February 5th: IN OUR FACULTY, STAFF, & VOLUNTEERS

Dress Code: Pajama Day! Wear your favorite pjs. Shoes or slippers must be worn indoors; only shoes can be worn outdoors.

Patriot Mail: Write and receive a letter from a St. Peter student. Get to know someone new.

Who Am I? Last day to win Saint Bingo

Activity: educational videos will be featured in the morning. Students may bring in a drink with a screw top to enjoy during the movie. GSA will generously provide popcorn for the students.

Project: Last day to bring in a canned good for the community.

MENU

Monday: Munchie Monday: Lunchables, veggie boat w/ dip, pretzel bites, fruit bites.

Tuesday: Taco Tuesday: Walking taco, lettuce/tomato/cheese, refried beans, applesauce, salsa & sour cream.

Wednesday: Wacky Wednesday: Upside down burger, frowning fries, grass clippings, jungle fruit.

Thursday: Take Away Thursday: Sack lunch, ham/cheese roll-up, chips, go-gurt, juice box, apple, cookie.

Friday: Fish Friday: Fish bites, mac & cheese, green beans, peaches.

WHAT IS HAPPENING THIS WEEK?

Monday, Feb. 1:

Tuesday, Feb. 2:

Wednesday, Feb. 3: **8:30 Children's Mass gr. K, 2 & 4 attend.**

Thursday, Feb. 4: **8:30- Children's Mass gr. 1 & 5 attend; 3rd grade parent/student Confirmation and First Communion meeting at 6:30 p.m. in the church.**

Friday, Feb. 5: **3rd quarter Mid-term; Scholastic Bowl team practice 2:30-4:00 p.m. Martha Jane room.**

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Mark Your Calendar

Mon. Feb. 1:
 Tues. Feb. 2: Novena 8:30 a.m., Church
 RCIA 7:00 p.m., Martha Jane Room
 Wed. Feb. 3: PSR 6:15 p.m., School
 3rd Grade Sacrament Meeting 6:30 p.m., Church
 Thurs. Feb. 4:
 Fri. Feb. 5:
 Sat. Feb. 6: Rosary 7:30 a.m., Church
 Sun. Feb. 7:

—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

Fr. Leo's column continued....

During the Thursdays of Lent, I want to offer an opportunity to our parishioners to help them gain and appreciate a greater understanding of the Sacraments. One of my favorite presenters is Bishop Robert Barron. I purchased for myself his presentation on the Sacraments. I would like to share these discs with you, discussing each of the sacraments each Thursday, from 7:00-8:00 in Church. We would show you the presentation, and then have some points of discussion with you afterwards. Each sacrament will have its own night, but marriage and holy orders will be together. The presentations will vary from 25 minutes to 30 minutes. I invite you to be a part of our group. Come, celebrate the Eucharist, and then stay for some adult learning of our faith. Please consider this as a way of growing in your Catholic faith this Lent. The first session will be February 18th.

ON THE LIGHTER SIDE: As I age, the following is so appropriate:

“I’ve gotten old! I’ve had two bypass surgeries, a hip replacement, new knees, fought prostate cancer and diabetes. I’m half blind, can’t hear anything quieter than a jet engine, take 40 different medications that make me dizzy, winded, and subject to blackouts. Have bouts with dementia. Have poor circulation; hardly feel my hands and feet anymore. Can’t remember if I’m 85 or 92. Have lost all my friends. But, thank goodness, I still have my driver’s license.”

It’s scary when you start making the same noises as your coffee maker.

Magy. Leo J. Eulow



WEEKLY COLLECTION

	January 24	Total to Date
Loose Collections	\$691.48	\$13,105.62
Regular Collections	\$38,702.00	\$918,305.09
Annual School Fund	\$2,250.00	\$227,822.12
Holy Days		\$33,182.00
Totals	\$41,643.48	\$1,192,414.83
Total Budget Goal	\$32,000.00	\$960,000.00
Difference	\$9,643.48	\$232,414.83

Diocesan Collections

Catholic Times:\$210 Cath. Charities: \$40
 World Mission: \$25 Cath. Home Mission:\$25 Holy Land:\$25
 Cath. Comm. \$25 Eastern Europe: \$25 Seminarian \$50
 Latin America: \$842 Peters Pence: \$25 First Offering: \$100
 Dep. Children: \$25 Cath. Relief: \$25 Justice & Hope: \$25
 Retired Religious:\$100 Retired Dio. Priests: \$100

Haiti Sister Parish Collections

Collected: \$380.00

Parish in Action



Haiti Sister Parish News

Father Michel recently sent videos of parish activities in Haiti during the Christmas season. The ongoing political unrest has made it difficult for his parishioners to obtain food and the basic necessities of life. None-the-less he was able to provide a meal to them following the Masses.

The Sister Parish Committee has been in contact with the Parish Twinning Program in Nashville, TN about participating in a second matching grant to purchase food. Unfortunately, Covid-19 has negatively impacted the implementation of the second initiative. We hope to hear something positive soon. Last year we were able to nourish over three hundred of our Haitian sisters and brothers through the first matching grant.

Looking for a Tax Credit?

Are you looking for a tax credit for this year? Please consider Empower Illinois Scholarship Program. Donations to this program are eligible for a 75% state tax credit.

A donor is sponsoring our school with a 1:1 matching gift program for donations raised toward this tax credit scholarships. For every \$1 our school raises for Empower Illinois Scholarship Program, the donor will donate \$1. The donation to our school will be capped at \$15,000.00. This matching gift program begins on Monday, February 1, 2021 and ends when all matching funds are depleted or on March 31, 2021, whichever comes first.

For more information call Kristi at the parish office at 222-3155.



Girl Scout Drive-Thru Cookie Booth

Girl Scout Cadette Troop 5095 will be hosting a Drive-Thru Cookie booth sale on Saturday, February 6, 2021 from 10:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m. at the St. Peter parking lot. All proceeds from the cookie sale will go towards their Silver Award project, Butterfly Garden at St. Peter. The girls will be selling the Girl Scout cookies we know and love plus some new ones as well. The cookies are \$5 per box. Girls will also accept donations to help send cookies to our local veterans, nursing home residents, and first responders. For more information, please contact Peggy Tarr at 217-577-4757.



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.