



# The Parish of St. Peter Quincy, IL

## ~Mass Intentions~

March 15-21, 2021

- 15. Monday 8:00 a.m.  
Laura Henke
- 15. Monday 6:30 p.m.  
Lola Klusmeyer
- 16. Tuesday 8:00 a.m.  
Pat Ellerbrock
- 16. Tuesday 6:30 p.m.  
Gene Hutter
- 17. Wednesday 8:30 a.m.  
Virginia Deters
- 17. Wednesday 6:30 p.m.  
Eldon Hibbard
- 18. Thursday 8:30 a.m.  
Gary Myers
- 18. Thursday 6:30 p.m.  
Betty Henry
- 19. Friday 8:00 a.m.  
Orville Lubbe
- 19. Friday 6:30 p.m.  
Marie Danker
- 20. Saturday 8:00 a.m.  
Rita Terford
- 20. Saturday 5:00 p.m.  
Wilma Wiewel
- 21. Sunday 8:00 a.m.  
Our Parish Family
- 21. Sunday 9:30 a.m.  
John Franklin
- 21. Sunday 11:00 a.m.  
Beau Barry

## — 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.

Fourth Sunday of Lent, March 14, 2021

### Dear Parishioners,

Today we gather to celebrate the Fourth Sunday in our season of Lent. This Fourth Sunday is called “Laetare Sunday.” The word “laetare,” is a Latin word which mean to rejoice. It comes from the entrance antiphon for this Sunday which are the words of Isaiah, the prophet, “Laetare Jerusalem,” (translated as “Rejoice with Jerusalem.” This is the halfway point of Lent and sort of a respite in the penitential season. As illustration of this, we wear rose vestments instead of the violet. There is a joyful note to our celebration because of the ancient practice of handing over the Apostles Creed to our catechumens, the last and decisive step for those preparing for Baptism. So as we celebrate “Laetare Sunday,” let all of us rejoice as the Easter mysteries are close at hand.

This weekend, we will have our second of three scrutinies for our Elect (catechumen to be baptized) at the 9:30 a.m. Mass. Using the readings from cycle A, we hear of Jesus healing the man born blind. It is a long gospel that reflects a person coming to sight both physically and spiritually in Jesus as the Son of Man. And so today, we pray for our Elect that “the Father of Mercy will free these elect from the false values that surround and blind them. Set them firmly in your truth, children of the light forever.” Hoping that prayer also touches our lives on this Laetare Sunday.

But for those of us who attend a different Mass, we will hear the words of Jesus to Nicodemus. These words are very familiar to us who have ever attended an athletic contest or seen one on television. Very often someone will be holding up a placard with the following inscribe, “John 3.16.” This inscription is a summary of the entire Bible as it states in our gospel today, “For God so loved the world that He gave His only Son, so that everyone who believes in Him might not perish but might have eternal life.” Instead of viewing this on a placard, hopefully you and I will have it inscribed in our minds and hearts as this one verse reflects God’s love for all of us.

Just a reminder that we continue to celebrate our Eucharist each weekday evening at 6:30 p.m. For those apprehensive about coming to Church, other than Thursday nights you can celebrate with us with social distancing not being a problem. Also, we will have individual confessions from 5:45-6:15 each evening. Come join us. Then this Thursday after this evening Mass, we will watch the video of Bishop Robert Barron on the Sacrament of Reconciliation.

Finally, we will be having a city wide Reconciliation Service next Sunday, March 21st, at 2:00 p.m. at St. Francis Church, and then another one on Palm Sunday, March 28th, also at 2:00 p.m. at Blessed Sacrament Church. We will have a number of priests present from the area to hear confessions.

Lent once again involves almsgiving. We are finally able to send to our sister parishes the items that we had collected last Spring. In the meantime, Fr. Delix Michel, pastor of our sister parishes in Haiti, is asking for both deodorant and female protective pads. We are asking you to bring these items to Church next weekend and place them around our Haiti area. This shipment then will be sent with our other items and our poor will be served through our almsgiving.

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Next Meeting

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Sunday, March 21, 2021

7:00 p.m. - 8:30 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!

**Lenten Evening Masses**  
We are having the 6:30 p.m. evening Masses Monday through Friday during Lent. There will also be confessions at 5:45 p.m. - 6:15 p.m. each of those days before Mass.

**Educational Evenings During Lent**  
On Thursdays during Lent, we will be having videos followed by a questions & answer session on sacraments after the 6:30 p.m. evening Masses.

**Lenten Adoration**  
We will be having Lenten Adoration in church on the Sundays in Lent from Noon to 6:00 p.m. through March 28. You can sign up online at the following:  
<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/70A0C4DA9A822A02-eucharistic>


**Social Concerns Meeting**  
Social Concerns will be meeting **Friday, March 19** at 8:30 a.m. in the Martha Jane Room. All are welcome!

**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](http://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.

**Last Chance 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 info. call Kristi at 222-3155.

**Greenmount Cemetery Cleanup**  
Greenmount Cemetery will have the annual clean-up of the cemetery grounds from March 15-19. We ask families to remove all items by March 14 and not to replace them until March 20. This is a complete cleanup - everything must be removed, except for the Shepherds' hooks/staffs, but all items need to be removed from the hooks.

Please keep the following in your prayers:

~Kristopher Schreacke	~Elias Erd	
~Lilli Foster	~Ian Mehaffy	
~John Meyer	~Isabella Benner	
~Mary Talken	~Sharon Zehnle	
~Al Mitten	~Alden Shipp	
~Barb Duesterhaus	~Steve Sinnock	
~Penny Norton	~Theresa Althoff	
~Kathy Schuckman	~Arlene Lansing	
~Norma Johnson	~Howard Buckley	
~Dorothy Davis	~Chris Bockius	
~Avery Cowick	~Larry Phillips	
~Michelle Houston	~Valerie Ortbal	
~Cal Noelke	~Joe Sanders	

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

**Marriage Enrichment Meetings**  
The Marriage Enrichment group will begin meeting once again. The pandemic has highlighted the importance of having a strong marriage, and perhaps revealed some areas that need strengthening in our relationships. Please make plans to join us Sunday evenings from 5:30-7:00 p.m. March 14, March 21, April 11 & April 25 in the cafeteria. We will follow the COVID guidelines in place at that time. If you are interested in joining us please call the Parish Office at 222-3155. If you have any questions, please contact one of the committee members: Marty & Laurie 217-617-9062, Lori & Joe 618-509-1140 or Betty & George 217-653-3003. We look forward to seeing you.

**Men's Group**  
The Men's Group has started its spring program. 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 thru April 16 (skipping Good Friday).

**Usher Schedule**  
Because of Covid, we have added the usher's list to be online on Signup Genius. You can sign up using the following link or call the parish office at 222-3155.  
<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/70a0c4da9a822a02-20201>

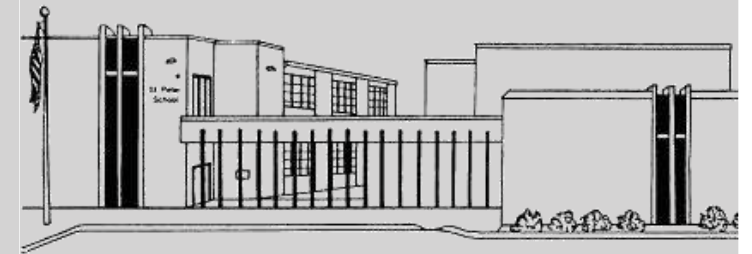
**St. Anthony/St. Dominic Drive-Through Only Fish Fries**  
St. Dominic School: March 19 St. Anthony: March 26  
Catfish Filet Plate \$10.00 Walleye Plate \$10.00  
Both plates include 4 sides and a homemade dessert.  
Sides: Mac-n-cheese, baked beans, American potato salad, coleslaw (while supplies last).

**St. Rose Annual St. Patrick's Dinner**  
Wednesday March 17, 11am-7pm. Drive Thru Only Serving Corned Beef & Cabbage OR German Sausage & Sauerkraut, Mashed Potatoes, and Apple or Cherry Pie. \$10 per Meal. St. Rose of Lima Parish Hall, 715 Chestnut, Quincy IL. Enter through alley off 8<sup>th</sup> Street. Order from your car!

**2021 Barn to Barn Classic**  
The 2021 Barn to Barn Classic will be held on March 27th with registration from 11-12 at the K of C Hall in Mt. Sterling. It is a 4-person putt-putt contest with a twist! Tour area farms and compete in custom-designed challenges. Cost is \$120 per 4-person team. For more information or to register to go [bcdeerclassic.com](http://bcdeerclassic.com) or email Aaron Akins at: [aakins@dotfoods.com](mailto:aakins@dotfoods.com) or call Aaron at: 217-322-7099. Proceeds benefit St. Mary School, Mt. Sterling, Illinois.

**Catholic Cemetery Clean-Up**  
Calvary, St. Boniface & St Peter's cemeteries 2021 clean-up will be held March 15-19. You must have everything off the graves by Sunday, March 14, as clean-up will start early on March 15. You may leave the shepherds hooks, but clean-up is a good time to take them home and repaint them. Also if they are rusting you don't want the stone damaged due to the rust dripping on the stone. Please mark your flowers with the name on the stone and your contact number so if they come off there is a better chance of having them returned to the right spot. Markings should be weather proof if possible.

# The School of St. Peter



Week of March 14, 2021  
**A Message from Mrs. Cindy Venvertloh**  
"St. Peter School provides a quality education built on Catholic values and teachings."

**MENU**  
**Monday:** Chicken noodle soup, turkey/cheese slider, gold fish crackers, side salad, mandarin oranges.  
**Tuesday:** Sloppy sue/bun, sweet tator puffs, sweet peas, cake, fruit cup.  
**Wednesday:** Baked tator bar, broccoli, cheese, diced ham, sour cream, shamrock cookie, lime sherbet.  
**Thursday:** Hot dog/bun, relish/pickle, baked beans, chips, veggie boat/dip, pears.  
**Friday:** Cheese pizza, spinach salad, diced peaches, cheese stick.

**WHAT IS HAPPENING THIS WEEK?**

Monday, Mar. 15: **School Board Mtg.** 7:00 p.m.  
Tuesday, Mar. 16: **Kindergarten Round Up** 6:30-8:30 p.m. in the school gym.  
Wednesday, Mar. 17: **8:30 Children's Mass** gr. K, 2 & 4 attend; **St. Patrick's Day**—wear your green with out of dress code pants!  
Thursday, Mar. 18: **Children's Mass** gr. 1 & 5 attend.  
Friday, Mar. 19: **3rd Quarter report cards** sent.

It's Pre Enrollment time for the 2021-2022 School Year. Please submit your paperwork by March 25th!

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**5th GRADE STUDENTS DRESS THE PART AS THEY SHARE BIOGRAPHIES**



Alexander Hamilton



Mother Theresa



Leonardo daVinci



Stan Lee



Abraham Lincoln



George Washington

Each year the fifth grade students learn about a famous person in history. The students write a book report and present information about their chosen person to the class. During their presentation they "dress the part" as they share what they have learned. Each year our students look forward to this special project! It is exciting to see history come to life!

**Mark Your Calendar**

**Mon. Mar. 15:** Mass 6:30 p.m., Church

**Tues. Mar. 16:** Novena 8:30 a.m., Church  
 Mass 6:30 p.m., Church  
 RCIA 7:00 p.m., Martha Jane Room  
 Haiti Meeting 7:00 p.m., Cafeteria

**Wed. Feb. 17:** PSR 6:15 p.m., School  
 Mass 6:30 p.m., Church  
 Ladies Cursillo 7:00 p.m., Fr. Bauer Prayer Room

**Thurs. Mar. 18:** Mass 6:30 p.m., Church  
 Educational Evenings 7:00 p.m., Church

**Fri. Mar. 19:** Social Concerns Meeting 8:30 a.m., Martha Jane Room  
 Mass 6:30 p.m., Church

**Sat. Mar. 20:** Rosary 7:30 a.m., Church

**Sun. Mar. 21:** Lenten Adoration Noon - 6:00 p.m., Church  
 Stations of the Cross 5:30 p.m.

*—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 but can Signup Online for Weekends**

*—Daily Mass Ministry Schedule—*

**Not Assigned At This Time**

**Fr. Leo's column continued....**

This Sunday, March 14th, we had planned that our 8th graders would have been going on their trip to Washington D.C. It was postponed from the Fall because of the pandemic. However, because we are confronted with two differing realities, the first being the continue fear of this pandemic, and second, seeing our capital being shut down with guardsmen and barricades, we realize that this trip needed once again to be cancelled. It is a sad occasion for our 8th graders but really our hands were tied in making this decision.

Just a reminder that there is still time to return your QND commitment cards in our weekend collection or they may be sent to QND itself. We are privileged to have a Catholic High School here in Quincy and it continues to serve a need for our area as we try to instill in our young people a stronger Catholic faith, a quality Catholic education, and a commitment to service in the Church and in our community. So please be generous as we assist them with our treasures. Doing so today will help us see these same treasures come alive in their commitment to the Church. Thank you!

**ON THE LIGHTER SIDE:** An eight year old girl was showing her preschool sister a picture of Mary and the baby Jesus. The younger examined the picture closely and then asked, "Where's Joseph?"

The older sister thought for a second and then replied knowledgeably, "he's taking the picture."

*Magy. Leo J. Embor*



<b>WEEKLY COLLECTION</b>		
	<b>March 7</b>	<b>Total to Date</b>
Loose Collections	\$406.85	\$15,227.87
Regular Collections	\$24,152.00	\$1,102,452.92
Annual School Fund	\$7,822.94	\$272,543.56
Holy Days		\$33,482.00
<b>Totals</b>	<b>\$32,381.79</b>	<b>\$1,423,706.35</b>
Total Budget Goal	\$32,000.00	\$1,152,000.00
Difference	\$381.79	\$271,706.35

**Diocesan Collections**

Catholic Times: \$40.00 Latin America: \$20.00  
 Eastern Europe: \$50.00 Catholic Relief Services: \$85.00  
 Catholic Charities: \$90.00

**Haiti Sister Parish Collections**

Collected: \$2,012.00



# Parish in Action

**Haiti Sister Parish Update**

Great news! Last week we learned that there will be a shipment through the Twinning Program to Haiti this spring. In addition to the needed items we collected last year, but were unable to send because of COVID-19, we want to include deodorant and feminine care pads. If you'd like to donate these items to our brothers and sisters in Haiti, we will have collection boxes in the narthex the weekend of March 20 and 21.

Thank you for your continued support of our sister parish. They truly appreciate all that St. Peter Parish does for them.

**Another opportunity to show your commitment to QND!**

The students of QND thank you for your support on Commitment Weekend! For those parishioners who missed the opportunity to make their pledge or gift to QND, You can place your contribution in the collection basket or they can be mailed to QND, PO Box 1014, Quincy, IL 62306. Contributions benefit the 44th Annual Fund Drive, which bridges the gap between the cost to educate and the tuition charged to families. To learn more about QND, visit [www.quincynotredame.org](http://www.quincynotredame.org). Thank you for your consideration!

**40 Days for Life Prayer Vigil in Springfield, IL - Save The Unborn**

Hello to all,

You are invited to join with other parishioners from St. Peter Parish to pray in front of Planned Parenthood in Springfield for 1 hour. This is a prayerful time NOT a protest. Our parish has signed up to pray on Friday, March 19th (The Feast of St Joseph) from 11:00 am to Noon.

If anyone would like to carpool we will meet in St Peter's parking lot around 8:30am (after the 8:00am Mass). If you would like to go on your own the address is below. Prayer is the MOST important thing we can do at this time for the unborn. Please let me know if you are interested. We hope you can join us.

Susan Asher, Prolife Minister St Peter Parish

Vigil Location

Public Right-of-Way Outside Planned Parenthood Building, 601 N. Bruns Lane, Springfield, Illinois 62702

**Rice Bowls**

What is CRS Rice Bowl? CRS Rice Bowl is a Catholic Relief Services' Lenten faith-in-action program. It offers opportunities for your family to engage daily with the spiritual pillars of Lent: prayer, fasting and almsgiving. And it's an opportunity for our parish/school to come together as a community and practice the works of mercy with our neighbors and our brothers and sisters around the world. Please pick up your families Rice Bowl and join thousands of other Catholic communities across the United States, in this lifechanging Lenten journey. Bowls will be collected **April 10 & 11** - the weekend **after** Easter. You can return the money in an envelope, with your name on it, and mark it Rice Bowl. If you return the rice bowl itself, please add your name on it and tape it closed.



**Easter Flowers**

To make a donation for Easter flowers in memory of a loved one, please fill out the envelope in your packet or, for those who do not receive envelopes, please put your donation in a plain envelope labeled "Easter Flowers" along with this form and place it in the collection by Sunday, **March 28**. Or email the information to [church@cospq.org](mailto:church@cospq.org).

**PLEASE PRINT CLEARLY**

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In Memory of: \_\_\_\_\_