

# The Parish of St. Peter Quincy, IL

### ~Mass Intentions~ April 19-25, 2021

19. Monday 8:00 a.m. **Richard Lauer** 20. Tuesday 8:00 a.m. Alice Wavering & T.B. Kemner 21. Wednesday 8:30 a.m. Fr. Roy Bauer 22. Thursday 8:30 a.m. Edgar & Virginia Newman 23. Friday 8:00 a.m. Dorothy & Dick Olps 24. Saturday 8:00 a.m. Kevin Callahan 24. Saturday 5:00 p.m. Pat Ellerbrock 25. Sunday 8:00 a.m. Our Parish Family 25. Sunday 9:30 a.m. Dr. Robert Murphy 25. 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) 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 a.m. 3:30-4:30 p.m.

### Third Sunday of Easter, April 18, 2021

#### Dear Parishioners,

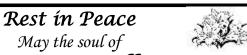
This weekend we celebrate the Third Sunday of Easter. In our gospel reading we have the risen Christ once again appearing to His disciples. Of course His first words are always, "Peace be with you." As this gospel relates, "they were startled and terrified and thought that they were seeing a ghost." His appearance in a risen body was something beyond their grasp and understanding. It was a miracle beyond their comprehension. I can understand why they were terrified and startled and even thought they were seeing a ghost. What other rational explanation could be given? Again, this was beyond anything that they had ever experienced let alone understood. And this is when Jesus calms them and invites them "to touch Him and see, because a ghost does not have flesh and bones as you can see I have." With so much of our leaning coming from our senses, we also know that these senses can fool us. Sight and hearing can be deceptive; but touch is the sense of certitude for all of us as it was for the apostles. Then while they were "still incredulous for joy and amazed, He asked them for something to eat." Once again, this became a proof of the resurrection and thus became their initiation as witnesses to the resurrection of Jesus.

This next paragraph, I want to air some frustrations. Ever since the pandemic we have tried to follow the guidelines that have been given to us concerning protecting ourselves and our community from spreading the virus. I have heard from parishioners about their fear of this virus and demanded that I demand parishioners to wear masks. I have heard also from other parishioners who have stated that they will not be coming to Church if they have to wear masks. Others had left the Church to attend other Catholic Churches who might be more relaxed in wearing masks. Throughout it all, I have tried to do what I thought was right for those who are gathering to celebrate our Eucharist. I never demanded masks, but I encouraged for the sake of others to wear them. Personally, I will look forward to the day that we can return to normalcy, namely, worshipping together free of all facial coverings. Until that time, I am sorry that some of our parishioners have taken a leave of absence from the parish because of my request to wear a mask. I am also sorry to have lost other parishioners who have decided to leave the Church altogether because of our response to how we dealt with this virus. Whatever the case, I have been placed in a frustrating position as I realize our Church is far from perfect, is continually in need of forgiveness, and no one has all the answers. We just pray that we are open to God's direction in all of our lives because He's the only one to provide any certainty in life.

This Sunday, I want to congratulate our Third Graders who will be receiving their First Holy Communion and Confirmation at two separate Masses, 1:00 and 4:00 p.m. I have been granted this privilege which in the future will be celebrated at the Cathedral with the Bishop. I ask you to pray for these young people as they complete their Rites of Initiation in the Catholic Church with the celebration of these two sacraments. The next two Sunday afternoons, our 8th grade classes will be celebrating their Confirmation at Masses at 1:00 p.m. As a parish family, I ask you to keep them all in your prayers. Special thanks to their teachers and parents who have assisted them in their preparation.







Margaret Collins sing praises with the Angels in Heaven forever.

Welcome!

Please welcome to our parish family Chad & Karla Hildebrand. and their children Hunter & Madalyn!

#### **Rice Bowls**

Rice Bowls are being collected. You can return the money in an envelope, with your name on it, and mark it Rice Bowl. The envelope can be placed in the collection. If you return the rice bowl itself, please add your name on it and tape it closed and take it in church in front of the altar.

#### St. Veronica Guild

The St. Veronica Guild will meet Thursday, April 22 in the Lower Level of the rectory at 1:00 p.m., making prayer shawls & blankets for those who need to feel the love of Jesus in a time of need. All are welcome, please join us!

#### Calling All Foster Parents

Calling all current and former foster parents: Our parish, in partnership with Chaddock, would love to connect with you to learn about your journey and needs while fostering to best serve you and others within the Catholic Church. We have a few questions we would email you which you could answer when convenient. Please call/text Cathy Gill at 217-740-7094 or email at cahasens@hotmail.com to participate. Thank you.

#### 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. 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.

#### **Blender Wanted for Cafeteria**

The school cafeteria is looking for a donation of a blender to be used for school lunches and cooking class. It needs to be heavier duty than the basic blenders. Please call Evelyn at 217-214-0163 if you have one to donate.

Please keep the following ~Kristopher Schreacke ~Lilli Foster	g in your prayers: ~Elias Erd ~lan Mehaffy	Prayer Requests	
~John Meyer	~Isabella Benner	~Jack Terford	
~Mary Talken	~Sharon Zehnle	~Lucy Miller	
~Al Mitten	~Alden Shipp	~Steve Hull	
~Barb Duesterhaus	~Steve Sinnock	~Mike Creek	
~Penny Norton	~Theresa Althoff	~Ted Kemner	
~Kathy Schuckman	~Arlene Lansing	~Amy Seibert	
~Howard & Jo Buckley	~Norma Johnson	~Julia Maas	
~Dorothy Davis	~Chris Bockius	~Anonymous	
~Michelle Houston	~Valerie Ortbal	~Larry Phillips	
~Cal Noelke	~Joe Sanders	~Avery Cowick	
To have a name added to this list, please call the Parish Office at 222-3155 or email church@cospq.org.			

#### Soup and a Smile

Soup and a Smile is up and going, providing yummy soup, a prayer, and a smile to homebound parishioners, those grieving for a loved one, or someone recovering from an illness, surgery, or birth of a new baby. If you are unable to make soup at this time but would like to help keep this ministry going with a small financial donation, you can contribute in the collection or drop off at the church office. Just mark your donation for Soup and a Smile! If you know someone who would benefit from this great ministry, please text or call, Carol Rolves 217-257-5851 or Kathy Schwartz 217-779-2824. We don't want to miss anyone who could use a little encouragement (and some delicious soup)!

#### **PSR Teacher Sought**

Our children are our greatest gift from God. Parents are the first and foremost teachers for our faith to their children. Our PSR teachers are a valuable part to help in the additional teaching of our young people.

I am personally asking for someone to step up to this wonderful opportunity to help as one of our PSR teachers. PSR meets on Wednesday nights from 6:15 pm to 7:30 pm. Please think and pray about helping or ask one of our teachers their rewards they have experienced on their own journey.

You need to have a desire to help teach our Catholic faith to our children. Materials are provided and compensation is paid.

Please reach out to me with any questions. Thank you for your consideration.

Gina Wolf, PSR Coordinator, 217-257-9966 or 217-224-3070.

#### Protecting God's Children Class

The following Protecting God's Children sessions have been scheduled at Blessed Sacrament parish, Quincy:

#### Monday, May 17th, 6-9 pm.

All sessions will be held in the Leo Amen Room (school cafeteria) of Blessed Sacrament School, 1117 S. 7th Street. Access to the school is via the alley (South) side entrance. Due to COVID 19 restrictions and safeguards it is absolutely necessary for anyone wishing to attend one of these sessions to call the parish office at 217-222-2759 to reserve a seat.

#### OND Cheer Tryouts

Monday, April 26th - Mandatory parent and cheerleader meeting at 6pm at QND. Tryouts to follow until 9:30PM Tuesday, April 27th - Review 5-6PM, final tryout/judging 6:15-??? For questions please contact Coach Allison Turner at aturner127@gmail.com or 618-410-2500.

#### QND Pom Tryouts

Wednesday, April 28 - Mandatory parent and pommer meeting at 6pm at OND. Tryouts to follow until 9:30PM Thursday, April 29 - Review 5-6:15PM, final tryout/judging 6:30PM - ??? For guestions please contact Coach Jennifer Duesterhaus at gndpomcoaches@gmail.com or 217-316-2046.

#### St. Francis Parish Picnic

The St. Francis Parish Picnic will be held this year on Saturday, June 12th from 5:00-12:00. Live music will be presented from the Heidelberg German Band and Blacktop South. The Quincy Notre Dame Mega Raffle Drawing will also take place. Come on out with your friends and family.

## The School of St. Peter

## Week of April 18, 2021 A Message from Mrs. Cindy Venvertloh

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



#### SCIENCE OBSERVATIONS

Student sin Mrs. Erd's 5th grade homeroom observe and draw crickets as part of their animal interaction lesson. Stay tuned for next week to see pictures of the students with green anoles (chameleons.)



#### 2nd GRADE WINNING BOOK OF TOURNAMENTS

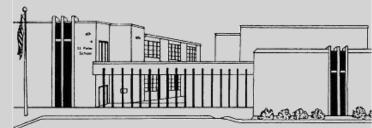
Mrs. Mellon, one of our 2nd grade teachers created a video of her students reading the winning book of their book tournament. Check this out for your enjoyment: https://youtu.be/ bLnccg46YNM. We are so proud of our students.

#### Job Opening - St. Peter School

St. Peter School is accepting applications for a teaching position for the 2021-2022 school year. Oualified applicants should hold an Illinois Professional Educator License. Responsibilities will include teaching students in grades K-8 in science, technology, engineering and math. Qualified applicants should send a cover letter, resume, and references to Mrs. Cindy Venvertloh, 2500 Maine Street, Quincy, IL 62301

#### Job Opening - St. Peter School

St. Peter School is accepting applications for teacher aide positions for the 2021-2022 school year. Applicants should have experience in working with young children. Responsibilities include working one on one with children, assisting the classroom teacher with instruction and supervision. Qualified applicants should send a cover letter, resume, and references to Mrs. Cindy Venvertloh, St. Peter School, 2500 Maine Street, Quincy, IL 62301.



#### SERVING OUR COMMUNITY

St. Peter School students made 'lap' blankets for our Veterans who are living at the Veteran's Home. These blankets will be used to help cover their laps while they are sitting in a chair or if they are in a wheelchair. We hope that this brought them happiness during the Easter season.

#### MENU

Monday: Hot dog/bun, chili cheese sauce, sweet potato puffs, fruited jello cup, cookie. Tuesday: Cheesy scrambled egg, flap sticks, banana slices. razzv iuice.

Wednesday: Apple frudel, yogurt/fruit cup, bacon round, hard boiled egg.

Thursday: Pasta w/ meat sauce, spinach salad, pineapple tidbits, garlic sticks.

Friday: BBO wing dings, mac & cheese, mixed veggies, fruit cocktail.

#### WHAT IS HAPPENING THIS WEEK?

Map Testing continues until April 30th

Mon, April 19: School Board mtg. 7 p.m. room 8-101.

Tues, April 20: Vision & Hearing screening through Thursday.

Wednesday, April 21: Children's School Mass: gr. K.2, & 4 attend.

Thursday, April 22: Children's School Mass: gr. 1 & 5 attend.

April 25th : Confirmation Mass for 8th grade at 1:00 p.m.

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#### Mark Your Calendar

Mon. April 19: Tues. April 20: Novena 8:30 a.m., Church Haiti Meeting 6:00 p.m., Cafeteria Wed. Feb. 21: PSR 6:15 p.m., School Ladies Cursillo 7:00 p.m., Fr. Bauer Prayer Room Thurs. April 22: St. Veronica's Guild 1:00 p.m., Lower Level Conf. Room Fri. April 23: Sat. April 24: Rosary 7:30 a.m., Church Sun. April 25: Marriage Enrichment 5:30 p.m., Cafeteria

#### Fr. Leo's column continued....

This weekend, there will be people present in the narthex selling raffle tickets for the "Everybody Wins Mega Raffle." I ask you to support their efforts if you are able by purchasing a ticket for \$100. Please consult the bulletin for details on the various winning prizes. One thing I do know is that our students all benefit from this raffle as the proceeds go to help keep our tuition affordable.

I'm still looking for a parish nurse or its equivalent to help in a special ministry in our parish family. If you know of someone interested in working with the elderly, the bereaved, the sick, please give me a call and we can discuss this ministry further.

If you haven't yet turned in your rice bowls, that money collected from your self discipline this Lent, please either put a check in the collection with that amount or deposit the rice bowl itself in the special container located before the altar. Thank you in advance.

**ON THE LIGHTER SIDE:** A good and pious man fell on hard times. As he was saying his prayers one night, he asked God to let him win the state lottery in exchange for his long years of devout service.

The next day, he was optimistic, but after nothing happened, he pleased his cause in prayer once again. Still God was silent.

Finally, the man got down in his knees and complained, "Why don't you give me a break?"

Suddenly the voice of the Almighty was heard, "why don't you give me a break? At least buy a ticket."

Mag. Les J. Eulor



-Masses-

No Sign Up required for Any Masses

-Mass Servers-

Not Assigned At This Time but can

Signup Online for Weekends

—Daily Mass Ministry Schedule—

Not Assigned At This Time

### WEEKLY COLLECTION

	<u> April 11</u>	Total to Date
Loose Collections	\$724.01	\$17,584.15
<b>Regular Collections</b>	\$19,816.00	\$1,235,427.27
Annual School Fund	\$3,957.00	\$303,597.56
Holy Days	\$2,285.00	\$55,812.00
Totals	\$26,782.01	\$1,612,420.98
Total Budget Goal	\$32,000.00	\$1,312,000.00
Difference	(\$5,217.99)	\$300,420.98

#### **Diocesan Collections**

Catholic Times: \$15.00 First Offering: \$5.00 Latin America: \$15.00 Eastern Europe: \$60.00 Rice Bowls: \$1421.42 Seminarians: \$365.00 Home Mission: \$70.00

#### Haiti Sister Parish Collections

Collected: \$575.00



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#### Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ.

In their 2000 pastoral letter Responsibility, Rehabilitation, and Restoration, the bishops of the United States called the faithful to embrace an approach to criminal justice that takes into account the dignity of crime victims and their families, communities, and offenders.

The Catholic Home Missions-funded Diocese of Santa Rosa is answering this call for an approach that upholds justice and healing in its six counties of northwestern California, stretching from Napa in the south along the coastline to the Oregon border. The diocese's Catholic Restorative Justice Ministries program (www.restorejusticesantarosa.org) works to fulfill the bishops' vision through various activities that include support for inmates reentering society, as well as pastoral ministries for crime victims and their families, justice system personnel, and inmates. The program's broad range of goals are being implemented. expanded, and refined yearly with financial assistance from the Catholic Home Missions Appeal. When you participate in the appeal, you join in the Church's healing mission of mercy to all.

Your support of this appeal makes a difference in the lives of our brothers and sisters right here in the United States. Please prayerfully consider how you can support the appeal this year. To learn more about the appeal and those who benefit from it, visit www.usccb.org/home-missions.

Thank you for strengthening the Church at home.

Tickets for the 2021 "Everybody Wins" Mega Raffle can now be purchased from nearly 1,000 QCES & OND families. In addition to purchasing Mega Raffle tickets from Quincy Catholic schools' families, they can also be purchased online at QuincyMega-Raffle.org. Only 4,000 tickets will be sold at \$100 per ticket, and the first 4,000 tickets turned in to the QND Foundation office will be entered in the drawing. The Grand Prize is \$100,000; 2nd Prize is \$20,000; and Third Prize is \$10,000. There will be 42 cash prizes awarded in all, totaling \$169,500.

NEW THIS YEAR - There will be one "Super-Early Bird" Drawing for \$25,000 cash. The "Super-Early Bird" Drawing will be held on Friday, May 14, on Y101 Radio at 8:10 a.m. Both ticket purchasers and sellers will have their names entered into this drawing. To be eligible for the "Super-Early Bird" Drawing, tickets must be purchased and returned to the QND Foundation office by 4 p.m. on Friday, April 30.

In addition to the "Super-Early Bird" Drawing on Friday, May 14th, there will be six "Fantastic Friday Early Bird" Drawings. Two \$500 cash prizes will be awarded on May 21, May 28, and June 4. The winners will be announced live on Y101 at 8:10 a.m. The remaining 35 "Mega Drawing" cash prizes, including the top three prizes mentioned above, will take place at the St. Francis Parish Picnic on Saturday, June 12, starting at 7:00 p.m.

Proceeds from the "Everybody Wins" Mega Raffle are shared equally between the QCES and QND Foundations, and provide increased tuition assistance for QCES K - 8 students, as well as additional tuition assistance and technology upgrades for QND students. Quincy's five Catholic schools will also benefit from the \$40,000 "Ticket Give Back" program. The purchasers of Mega Raffle tickets can choose if they want \$10 of their ticket to be given to one school or divided equally among two or more schools.

All ticket sales are final and non-refundable. You need not be present to win. For more information about the 2021 "Everybody Wins" Mega Raffle, or to purchase a ticket, please visit QuincyMegaRaffle.org, or contact Paul Rittof, Executive Director of the QCES Foundation, at (217) 779-3157 or Kurt Stuckman, Executive Director of the Quincy Notre Dame Foundation, at (217) 224-2598.

#### MAY 2021 USHER SCHEDULE

Saturday, 5:00 p.m. Mass Lead Usher: Tom Bordewick Ushers: Rodney Becks, Mike Kurk, Tom Moore, Mark Wiewel Sunday, 8:00 a.m. Mass Lead Usher: Kevin Haider Ushers: Ernie Bain, George McDonnell, Kurt Stuckman, Robert Welding Sunday, 9:30 a.m. Mass Lead Usher: Harold Ellerbrock Ushers: Peter Bond, Matt George, Mike Lawrence, Scott Utterback Sunday, 11:00 a.m. Mass Lead Usher: Steve Koester Ushers: Dan Bradfield, Stephen Gramke, Kevin Schuckman, Tom Strieker The ushers are being assigned by month. If you need a contact list for substitutes, please call the parish office at 222-3155.

## **Parish in Action**

April. 2021

Sincerely yours in Christ,

+ Tromos John Paprocki

Most Reverend Thomas John Paprocki Bishop of Springfield in Illinois

#### "Everybody Wins" Mega Raffle