



# The Parish of St. Peter Quincy, IL

Second Sunday of Advent, December 4, 2022

## ~Mass Intentions~

December 5-11, 2022

- 5. Monday 8:00 a.m.  
Jeff Burgess
- 6. Tuesday 8:00 a.m.  
Carolyn Schuering
- 7. Wednesday 8:30 a.m.  
Wayne & Dorothy  
Messick
- 7. Wednesday 6:30 p.m.  
Roger Frankenhoff
- 8. Thursday 8:30 a.m.  
Dorothy Davis
- 8. Thursday 12:10 p.m.  
Ashbaker & Buckley  
Families
- 8. Thursday 6:00 p.m.  
Brian D. Reis
- 9. Friday 8:00 a.m.  
Michael Brahler
- 10. Saturday 8:00 a.m.  
David Oakley Sr.
- 10. Saturday 5:00 p.m.  
Ann Anderson
- 11. Sunday 8:00 a.m.  
Dee Burnham
- 11. Sunday 9:30 a.m.  
Mandi Dickerman
- 11. Sunday 11:00 a.m.  
Our Parish Family

## — 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 a.m.  
3:30-4:30 p.m.

## Dear Parishioners,

Can you believe that this weekend we are celebrating the Second Sunday in our season of Advent? A question to ask ourselves is have we taken the time to refocus our lives and made use of prayer, the Eucharist, or spiritual reading? If not, then this season will come and go and we will not make this time a spiritual journey in which we prepare our hearts for the coming of Christ.

As we celebrate this Second Sunday of Advent, our first reading for our weekend celebration is filled with hope. But isn't that what Advent is all about? At the time of Isaiah the prophet in the 8th Century before Christ, the leaders of God's people, descendants of David, were worthless, weak, and corrupt. In fact, it was rather a depressing experience for the people of God, for their kings and other Jewish leaders led them away from God, not to God. And so what we find today in that reading is a element of hope that Isaiah preserved. He tells us that there will be a day that "a shoot shall sprout from the stump of Jesse, and from his roots a bud shall blossom." Jesse was the father of David so Isaiah foresees the day that what seemingly was dead, as in a stump, would produce a blossom that would bring justice, peace, and joy for the world. Then Isaiah brings forth an imagery that flows from this new blossom, an imagery of harmony between seemingly disharmonious elements. As an example, the "wolf shall be the guest of the lamb, the leopard shall lie down with the kid; the calf and the young lion shall browse together; the cow and the bears shall be neighbors, and the baby shall play by the cobras den." What seemingly is impossible, now will become reality as this new blossom brings forth the promised Messiah. That is the hope of the people of God and that still remains our hope even today as we await Jesus' coming again.

Also on this Second Sunday of Advent, the Church introduces to us an Advent figure, namely, John the Baptist. In Matthew's gospel, John is introduced as the new Elijah for, according to tradition, Elijah would return right before the Messiah. This fits perfectly then with John the Baptist. As the fiery prophet, John proclaimed that everyone must have a conversion of heart and must show that conversion in their lives. Putting this all together, then we should use this time of Advent to change our ways and our lives, ready to meet the Lord whenever He comes to us in mystery, history, or His Second Coming.

On behalf of our parish family, I want to welcome Fr. Kolbe Woniakowski, a Benedictine Priest, who will be here with us this weekend. He will be preaching at all of our Masses as we challenge ourselves in this parish mission centering around the mystery of the Eucharist. Fr. Woniakowski is a classmate of Fr. Zach at St. Meinrad Seminary in Indiana. Besides preaching at all the Masses he will also give two different conferences on Monday and Tuesday of this week, December 5-6th at 6:30 p.m. There is childcare (one year of age and older) included for those who want to attend as well as a reception after the final conference on Tuesday. Please make this mission a special treat for yourselves, taking the time for this spiritual renewal. We welcome Fr. Kolbe Woniakowski, OSB.

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Next Meeting  
December 4th  
Christmas Party  
6:30 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.

Drop Off & Pick Up - Martha Jane Room

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



Saints Alive!  
Generosity and St. Maximillian  
Kolbe - December 11th  
6:00-7:30 p.m. 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! Please check Facebook for updates.

*Rest in Peace*  
*May the soul of*  
***Fred Bichsel***  
*sing praises with the Angels in Heaven forever.*

**Holy Day Mass Times**

Thursday, December 8th, is a Holy Day of Obligation. The Mass times are as follows:

- Dec. 7th, at 6:30 p.m.
- Dec. 8th, at 8:30 a.m., 12:10 p.m. and 6:00 p.m.

**EMHC & Usher Sign Up for the Holy Day Masses**

We need ushers for the Holy Day this next week on Dec. 7th & 8th. Please signup in the Narthex if you can help. Thank you!

**St. Veronica Guild**

The St. Veronica Guild will meet **Thursday, December 8** in the Lower Level of the rectory at 8:30 a.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!

**ADVENT PARISH MISSION**  
**JOIN US DECEMBER 3-6**

- Begins during all Weekend Masses on 12/3 and 12/4
- Continues with Parish Mission Conferences on 12/5 and 12/6 at 6:30 p.m. in the Church
- A reception will follow on 12/6 in the Narthex

\*childcare for age 1 and older available



Fr. Kolbe Woniakowski, OSB will offer the first Parish Mission during Advent. He will discuss the Eucharist in the context of Advent and the coming of Christ's birth at Christmas.

Please keep the following in your prayers:

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| ~Kristopher Schreacke      | ~Elias Erd           |                 |
| ~Lilli Foster              | ~Amy Seibert         |                 |
| ~Hunter Hildebrand         | ~Isabella Benner     | ~Julie Eftink   |
| ~Natalie Meyer             | ~Theresa Althoff     | ~Steve Hull     |
| ~Rose Hockgraver           | ~Bonnie Haubrich     | ~Evelyn Garrett |
| ~Alden & Joyce Shipp       | ~Norma Johnson       | ~Ted Kemner     |
| ~Jim Steinkamp             | ~Joan Wilson         | ~Jack Terford   |
| ~Priscilla & Bill Morrison | ~Daniella Kendrick   | ~Jo Buckley     |
| ~Kathy Schuckman           | ~John & Barb Meyer   | ~Judy Domme     |
| ~Ken & Barb Wolf           | ~Donna Schutte       | ~Dan Dailing    |
| ~Matt Mast                 | ~Anonymous           |                 |
| ~Mark & Diane Zoller       | ~Valerie Fox Ortball | ~Jack Bunte     |
| ~JoAnn Schaefer            | ~Debra Sparrow       | ~Michael Mason  |
| ~Michelle Houston          | ~Dustin Markert      |                 |

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



**Welcome!**

Please welcome to our parish family **Mark & Susan Schmitz!**

**St. Peter Social Concerns Christmas Cookie Sale - Bakers! December 10th & 11th**

We need your help! Bake a batch of Christmas cookies for this special fundraiser. Bring Cookies to the Cafeteria on that SATURDAY or on SUNDAY before 9:30 a.m. Mass. If you are willing to volunteer to work the sale, call Sharon at 217-257-1376. Coffee & Cinnamon Rolls Will Be Available!

**Adoration Chapel**

Our prayers have been answered to be able to open the Adoration Chapel for 24 more hours (72 hours total so far - open Wed 9 AM to Sat 9 AM) We are now seeking Adorers for several more hours.

Hours available are:

- Wednesday 10 AM to 11 AM on the 2nd, 4th and 5th weeks of the month
- Saturday 10 AM to 11 AM, 11 AM to Noon, 2 PM to 3PM, 3 PM to 4 PM

Thank you for your consideration in taking an hour of quiet prayer in the Adoration Chapel.

Please contact Mary Voorhis at 217-653-3127 or call or text Gina Wolf at 217-257-9966.



**DIocese of Springfield in Illinois**  
 OFFICE OF THE BISHOP

December, 2022

My Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

Soon, our parishes will be conducting the Retirement Fund for Religious collection, an annual appeal that benefits nearly 25,000 elderly sisters, brothers, and religious order priests. Our senior religious are a treasure - both for their service to our Church and for the ways their prayer and witness enrich our faith. "Planted in the house of the Lord, they shall flourish in the courts of our God. They shall bear fruit even in old age" (Ps 92:14-15).

As I reflect on the ministry of women and men religious - past and present - I am grateful for the ways they have shaped my own faith. I also value the tremendous service they have offered our diocese. Perhaps you, too, recall an older religious who made a positive difference in your life.

Most senior religious worked many years for little pay, leaving their religious communities with a shortage of retirement savings. Rising health-care costs and decreased income compound the challenge to meet day-to-day needs for medications, nursing assistance, and other necessities. Donations to the Retirement Fund for Religious provide financial support that helps religious communities care for aging members while ensuring younger ones can continue the good works of their elders.

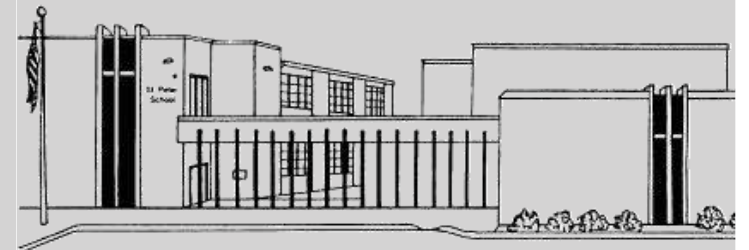
I understand you are asked to support many worthy causes. I invite you to give what you can. Most importantly, please pray for God's continued blessing on all our women and men religious. Rest assured that they are praying for you.

Sincerely yours in Christ,

*† Thomas John Paprocki*

Most Reverend Thomas John Paprocki  
 Bishop of Springfield in Illinois

**The School of St. Peter**



Week of December 4, 2022

**A Message from Mrs. Cindy Venvertloh**

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

**CELEBRATING ADVENT**



One of our traditions at St. Peter School is to celebrate the coming of the Advent Season. We begin this special time each year with a prayer service. Each classroom created a chain of blessings that we linked together to brighten our Christmas tree in the gym lobby. Each link on this chain represents a blessing that our students and staff have been given in their lives. It is our hope that during this special season we all

take time to thank God for these special blessings, especially our greatest gift of all, our Lord Jesus Christ. It is with great joy and deep gratitude that we look forward to the very special celebration of Jesus' birth and we ask that He come and rest in our hearts, not only during this Advent Season, but always.



**CONGRATULATIONS MRS. HANAFIN**

The Optimist Club of Quincy financially supports an innovative classroom activity or project each month by awarding a teacher \$150. Teachers submit a proposal in the hopes of being chosen. Mrs. Elise Hanafin, 7th & 8th Science teacher, was selected as their recipient. She will be doing a dissection Science activity with her students. Congratulations Mrs. Hanafin!

**MENU**

- Monday:** Tenderloin on bun, baked chips, green beans, fruit.
- Tuesday:** Chicken nuggets, mashed potatoes, corn, fruit.
- Wednesday:** Sausage/egg biscuit, carrots, fruit.
- Thursday:** French bread pizza, marinara, peas, fruit
- Friday:** Hamburger on bun, fries, lima beans, fruit.

**THIS WEEK**

- Monday, Dec. 5: QND/PMO Choir Concert at 7 pm.
- Tuesday, Dec. 6: QND Kindergarten Night with Santa at QND from 6-8 pm.
- Wednesday, Dec. 7: 8:30 Children's Mass: 8th grade leading.
- Thursday, Dec. 8: 8:30 Children's Mass—Feast of the Immaculate Conception: 7th grade assisting.
- Friday, Dec. 9: SPIRIT DAY—bring in 0.25 donation for CareNet and wear out of dress code bottoms with Spirit Day shirts!

**HIRING AFTERNOON DAY CARE HELPERS**

St. Peter School is hiring daycare workers to work with students during the after school program from 2:15-5:30 Mon.-Fri. Applicants must love children & enjoy supervising & working closely with them. Rate of pay per hour is \$13.00. If interested send a resume along with 2-3 letters of recommendation to Miss Maddie Ippensen at 2500 Maine Street, Quincy, IL 62301 or madisonippensen@icloud.com

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### Mark Your Calendar

**Mon. December 5:** Parish Mission 6:30 p.m., Church

**Tues. December 6:** Parish Mission 6:30 p.m., Church  
RCIA 7:00 p.m., Martha Jane Room

**Wed. December 7:** Ladies Cursillo 1:30 p.m., Fr. Bauer Prayer Rm  
Vigil Mass 6:30 p.m., Church

**Thurs. December 8:** Holy Day Mass Times: 8:30 a.m.,  
12:10 p.m., 6:00 p.m., Church  
St. Veronica's Guild 8:30 a.m., Lower Level Conf. Room

**Fri. December 9:**

**Sat. December 10:** Return Giving Wreath Gifts in Narthex  
Social Concerns Cookie Sale after Mass, Cafeteria

**Sun. December 11:** Return Giving Wreath Gifts in Narthex  
Social Concerns Cookie Sale after All Masses, Cafeteria

—*Mass Servers*—  
Not Assigned At This Time  
Signup Online for Weekdays and Weekends

—*Daily Mass Ministry Schedule*—  
Not Assigned At This Time

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

Next Thursday, December 8th, is the Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception and a Holyday of Obligation. Mary, under the title of the Immaculate Conception, is the patroness of the United States as well as the patroness of the Diocese of Springfield in Illinois. In fact, the principal Church for our United States is the Basilica of the Immaculate Conception in Washington, D.C.; and the Cathedral of our Diocese of Springfield is also named the Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception. As we honor Mary on this day, let us not only pray for our country but also our diocese as we ask her to continue to pray for all of us. She is in the words of a person of history, "our tainted nature's solitary boast." To celebrate this Solemnity, our Mass schedule is as follows:

**Vigil Mass on Wednesday, Dec. 7th, at 6:30 p.m.**  
**Masses for Thursday, December 8th: 8:30 a.m., (10:00 a.m. at QND); 12:10 p.m. and 6:00 p.m.**

**ON THE LIGHTER SIDE:** A Sunday school teacher asked her class, "What was Jesus' mother's name?"

One child answered, "Mary."  
"Who knows what Jesus' father's name was?" the teacher asked next.

A little boy replied, "Verge."  
"Verge?" the teacher asked. "Where did you hear that?"

"Well," the boy said, "you know they're always talking about Verge 'n' Mary."

*Magy. Leo J. Eulow*



WEEKLY COLLECTION		
	Nov. 27	Total to Date
Loose Collections	\$899.50	\$21,786.10
Regular Collections	\$27,758.20	\$587,228.89
Annual School Fund	\$8,061.00	\$203,385.21
Holy Days	\$30.00	\$3,709.00
Totals	\$36,748.70	\$816,109.20
Total Budget Goal	\$32,000.00	\$704,000.00
Difference	\$4,748.70	\$112,109.20
<b>Diocesan Collections</b>		
	Justice & Hope: \$85.00	
	Catholic Cemeteries: \$295.00	
<b>Haiti Sister Parish Collections</b>		
	Collected \$238.00	

# Parish in Action

## ADULT GINGERBREAD HOUSE COMPETITION

### SUNDAY, DECEMBER 11

### 5 - 7 P.M. @ STUDIO 125

### 125 N. 6TH STREET IN QUINCY



Join us for some competitive Christmas cheer! All materials provided. BYOB or stop by the Quincy Brewing Co. to pick some up. We will have prizes for 1st and 2nd place, with winners determined by our celebrity judges! \$10 per couple payable via Venmo @Katelyn-Kinscherf

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ENRICHMENT TEAM

Scan the code to sign up or call 217.214.0187



### 2022 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 4**. 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 10 and 11**. The local organizations will pick up their gifts on December 12, so NO gifts delivered after December 12. This will replace the Social Concerns 1st Sunday collection for December. Thank you in advance for your generosity!



### 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 11, or email church@cospq.org.

#### A Donation for Christmas Decorations

Given by: \_\_\_\_\_

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