



The Parish of St. Peter Quincy, IL

~Mass Intentions~

January 9-15, 2023

- 9. Monday 8:00 a.m.
Don Adolfs
- 10. Tuesday 8:00 a.m.
Jim Musolino
- 11. Wednesday 8:30 a.m.
Paul Wilson
- 12. Thursday 8:00 a.m.
Ross Evans
- 13. Friday 8:00 a.m.
Barbara Boone
- 14. Saturday 8:00 a.m.
Anita Lavery
- 14. Saturday 5:00 p.m.
Roger Frankenhoff
- 15. Sunday 8:00 a.m.
Joanne Schlepffhorst
- 15. Sunday 9:30 a.m.
Marty Peters
- 15. 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.

The Epiphany of the Lord Solemnity, January 8, 2023

Dear Parishioners,

Perhaps the best summary of our celebration today is found in our responsorial psalm that states: “Lord every nation on earth will adore you.” On Christmas day, the shepherds, representatives of the Jewish world, came to adore the newborn king. Today’s Feast, the Solemnity of the Epiphany, has the magi coming from the east to worship the newborn king. The magi are the representatives of the Gentile world. So with our Christmas celebration and now the Epiphany, the words of the responsorial psalm are fulfilled, as we say, “Lord, every nation on earth will adore you.”

For those who are interested in Catholic trivia, these wise men, or magi, from the East, come to worship this newborn king, bringing with them three gifts. This gospel narration from Matthew gives rise to the tradition that there were three in number. Because Venerable Bede (672-735) considered them representatives of the three continents of Europe, Asia, and Africa, we often seem them racially as white, yellow, and black. About them he gives the names as Melchior, Gaspar, and Balthasar, Melchior was a long-bearded, white-haired old man who brought gold to Jesus, signifying His royalty. Gaspar was a beardless, ruddy-complexioned young man who brought incense to Jesus, signifying His divinity. And Balthasar was a heavy-bearded black man who brought myrrh to Jesus, signifying his humanity and death. As you look at our statues this weekend, take a close look to see how well they resemble these magi pictured by Venerable Bede.

Within the last month, I have been discussing the possibility of doing some capital improvements here at St. Peter Church. We are faced with a number of issues from security to the need for more classrooms. We also need meeting room space for all the various activities that seem to center themselves here at St. Peter. After consultation with the Finance Council, as well as other groups of parishioners, it was decided to pursue these capital improvements. So our tentative plans are to build a building where the old Tolton Hall was, the old convent. This building would have a new cafeteria, with classrooms above it. This would free our current cafeteria to be used by the parish as a parish center. We could now have our funeral dinners in this new space, along with opening up several classrooms to fill the void of meeting spaces. With that being said, our security at our grade school would be much better, not having to leave our doors open for visitors to these dinners, as well as our young people having to go outside in order to eat lunch in the old cafeteria I have tried my best to be frugal pastor and I know that this parish has done their best to be great stewards. In light of that, there is a need to make some improvements for the parishioners. The last capital improvement was the Living Stones project that occurred before my time as your pastor and I have been here 11 years. So I am planting the seed and will keep you in touch as we try to make some necessary improvements to our campus.

I ask your prayers for Pope Emeritus Benedict XVI. After serving the Church for 95 years, the Church celebrated his funeral Mass last Thursday and then he was buried in the grotto of St. Peter’s Basilica. Our prayers are for him. We are thankful to God for his many years of service to the Church. May the angels of God lead him to heaven. May he rest in peace.

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Next Meeting
January 8th
Dodgeball
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!

Next Date

To Be Announced

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.

Welcome!

Please welcome to our parish family **April Moore; Marcus & Meghan Medsker**, and their children **Jack, Lily and Thomas!**

Social Concerns Collection

Social Concerns will be collecting new adult and children's gloves/mittens, plus women's and children's socks next weekend, January 7-8 for the 1st Sunday collection for the Ladies of Charity. Please notice because of the holidays we have moved the date to the Second weekend in January. Containers will be located in the Narthex. Thank you in advance!

St. Veronica Guild

The St. Veronica Guild will meet **Thursday, January 12** 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!

Annual Stewardship Retreat January 21

We will have our Annual Stewardship Retreat on Saturday, January 21st, 2023 beginning with Mass at 8:00am. You are welcome to join us from 8am-2pm for our retreat led by Fr. Godfrey Mullen, OSB, from Belleville. Each of us is blessed by God with various gifts. How is God calling you to use those gifts? See the attached flyer, mark your calendars, and RSVP to Lyn Strieker, 217-316-4590. (If you've already RSVPd, thank you!)

Men's Cursillo #357

Men's Cursillo #357 will be held January 19-22 at the Franciscan Retreat Center located at 1909 N. 18th Street in Quincy. During this three-day experience, those attending pray together, celebrate the Eucharist, listen to talks given by priests, religious and laypersons, and share the fellowship of Jesus Christ and each other. It provides a casual and relaxed experience in a Christian community. Cost of the weekend is \$165.00 with lodging and all meals provided. A partial monetary gift to defray the cost is available if needed. For more information or to receive an application please call Dwight/Barb Seeley at 217-224-5615 or go to www.quincycursillo.com and "applications" and print one.

Going Someplace Warmer for the Winter?

If you are going someplace warmer for the winter, please call the parish office at 222-3155 or email us at church@cospq.org to give us the dates you will be gone. We get charged for any returned bulk mailings (newsletters, envelopes, etc.)



Please keep the following in your prayers:

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

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



Coffee & Donuts Cancelled

Coffee & Donuts has been cancelled for January.

Haiti Sister Parish Update

During the Christmas season Father Michel communicated via Whatsapp to thank Monsignor Leo and the parishioners of St. Peter Parish for our continued financial support and prayers. As we reported, 2022 was the most challenging and difficult time since the inception of our sister parish relationship in 2015. Food insecurity, inflation, and unrest were constant in the daily lives of Haitians. Lawlessness in Port-au-Prince prevented our yearly Twinning shipment from being sent. In early spring we were notified by the Parish Twinning Program of the Americas that they would not sponsor a shipment in May. Port employees were being harassed and it was too dangerous for priests to pick up the contents of the containers. Unless the situation changes dramatically, there will be no shipment in 2023.

Father Michel's goal for 2023 will continue to be to feed his people. With your generous support, he will be able to achieve that goal. Thank you in advance.

May God fill your lives with joy, peace, and happiness in 2023!

QND Pancake & Sausage Breakfast

The Annual QND Pancake and Sausage Breakfast will be Sunday, January 8th from 8:30am-12:30pm in the QND cafeteria. The cost is \$9.00 for adults and \$5.00 for children. (Children under 5 eat free). All proceeds benefit the Catholic Heart Workcamp trip this summer.

Attention Music Trivia Fans

The QND Music Trivia Night will be held on Saturday, January 21st in St. Peter's Gym. The doors open at 6:30 pm and the trivia begins at 7:00 pm. Tables of 8 are \$100 each. Must be 21 to participate. Please contact Jill Steinkamp, 217-257-2253, jsteinkamp@quincynotredame.org. All proceeds will benefit the QND Music Department. Registration deadline is January 14.

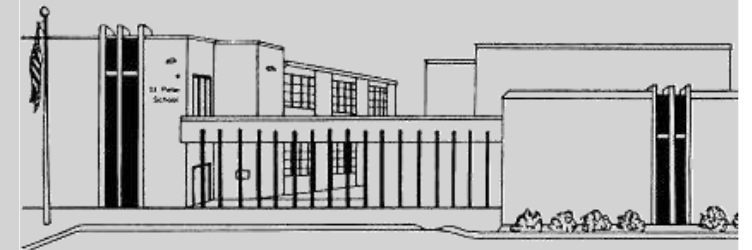
Catholics Returning Home

St. Francis Solanus Parish will offer a six-week series entitled "Catholics Returning Home" beginning Wednesday, January 11, at 6:30 p.m. in the Parish Hall, located on the north side of the church at 17th and College Avenue. It will run for six consecutive Wednesday evenings and will conclude on February 15. The sessions are for non-practicing Catholics who are seeking answers to questions about returning to the Church. If you know someone who has left the Church, please invite them to join us. For more information, call Deacon Wayne Zimmerman, 217-430-7792.

Friend of Catholic Education Dinner

Please join us Saturday, February 4 at 6 pm at the Atrium on 3rd for the Quincy Catholic Elementary Schools Foundation's 14th Annual Friend of Catholic Education Dinner. This year's event will honor Fr. Roy Bauer whose love and passion for Catholic education left an incredible legacy in our community. Tickets are \$100 and can be purchased at ticketstripe.com/FOCEDinner2023 or by mailing a check to the Quincy Catholic Elementary Schools Foundation at 1721 College Ave, Quincy, IL 62301. For more information, please contact Sara Reuschel at: director@quincycatholicsschools.org or by calling (217) 779-3157.

The School of St. Peter



Week of January 8, 2023

A Message from Mrs. Cindy Venvertloh

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

CATHOLIC SCHOOLS WEEK 2023

National Catholic Schools Week is quickly approaching! Catholic Schools Week is the annual celebration of Catholic education in the United States. It begins the last Sunday in January and runs all week. (January 29-Feb. 4, 2023).

Through various events St. Peter School will focus on the value Catholic education provides to young people and its contributions to our church, our communities and our nation.

EMPOWER ILLINOIS—INVEST IN KIDS ACT

Thanks to the Invest in Kids Act, donors (taxpayers) who give to St. Peter through Empower Illinois receive a 75% tax credit for the amount of their gift. The tax credit may be carried forward for up to five years. It is an incentive for a donor to increase the amount they donate for tuition assistance. Donors can QUADRUPLE their impact with no extra money out-of-pocket. This puts donors (taxpayers) back in charge of their income tax dollars and allows them to keep their tax dollars local. Visit empowerillinois.org for more information or call 800-616-7606.

Families can make a reservation for a 2023-2024 Empower Illinois tax credit scholarship on **January 18, 2023!** Like years past, the reservation form will open on the empowerillinois.org website at 6:30pm before submission at 7:00pm applying for the grant.

SIMPLE WAYS TO SUPPORT St. PETER SCHOOL



As the new year begins please continue to send Hy Vee UPC's, Coca Cola product **bottle caps, codes, and sip & scan icons**, Prairie Farms caps and laser

and print cartridges (Brother, Canon, HP and Lexmark brands only). Also—please download the Box Tops for Education app and scan your receipts to help support St. Peter School.

We are starting something new! Please also send in any smartphones, cell phones or tablets that are no longer of use to you. We are able to recycle these. Even though this seems like trash it is actually a great way to earn \$\$ to support St. Peter School.

Also, if you are in the mood for cleaning please be sure to help us out by recycling your paper (newspaper, magazines, envelopes, etc.) in the green PAPER GATOR behind the school. (Please be sure **not** to put any plastic bags or cardboard in the Paper Gator—this is for paper only.)



MENU

Monday: Sack lunch: ham/cheese rollup, chips, carrots, apple slices.

Tuesday: Orange chicken, fried rice w/ veggies, egg roll, fortune cookie, fruit.

Wednesday: Sloppy joes, baked chips, mixed vegetables, fruit.

Thursday: Sausage pizza, green beans, fruit, jello.

Friday: Hot dog on bun, French fries, peas, fruit.

THIS WEEK

Monday, Jan. 9: **STAFF WINTER LUNCHEON**—thank you Parent Volunteers for watching the kids for us!

Tuesday, Jan. 10:

Wednesday, Jan. 11: **8:30 a.m. Children's Mass** - 4th grade leading; 3rd grade Communion/Confirmation mtg.

Thursday, Jan. 12:

Friday, Jan. 13: **SPIRIT DAY**—Assembly at 8:30—3rd quarter recipient is SouperBowl of Caring—wear your shirts and bring in your 25 cent donation.

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Mark Your Calendar

Mon. January 9:
Tues. January 10: RCIA 7:00 p.m., Martha Jane Room
Wed. January 11: Ladies Cursillo 1:30 p.m., Fr. Bauer Prayer Rm
 PSR 6:30 p.m., School
 Sacramental Prep Meeting 6:30 p.m., Cafeteria
Thurs. January 12: St. Veronica's Guild 8:30 a.m., Lower Level Conf. Room
Fri. January 13:
Sat. January 14:
Sun. January 15:

—*Mass Servers*—
 Not Assigned At This Time but can Signup Online for Weekdays and Weekends
 —*Daily Mass Ministry Schedule*—
 Not Assigned At This Time

Fr. Leo's column continued..

If you are looking for a place to enjoy a great breakfast this Sunday after Masses, I invite you to Quincy Notre Dame High School for their annual QND Pancake and Sausage Breakfast. This breakfast will be served this Sunday, January 8th, from 8:30-12:30 in the QND cafeteria. The cost is \$9 for adults and \$5 for children. All proceeds benefit the Catholic Heart Work-camp trip this summer. Please come and enjoy this breakfast while supporting a great cause.

Next Saturday, January 14th, the St. Peter Relationship Enrichment Team is sponsoring a night out for our couples in our parish. They are providing free babysitting in the lower level of St. Peter Church. With this service, it then provides our couples an opportunity to spend time together. This group is also providing idea cards for the couples involved. Please check this out and if interested, call the number listed.

ON THE LIGHTER SIDE: What if it had been "Three Wise Women" who visited the manger instead of the "Three Wise Men?"

"They would have asked for directions; arrived on time, helped deliver the baby, cleaned the stable, made a casserole, and brought practical gifts." (I know this is a bit sexist—but regardless, enjoy and laugh)

A somewhat inexperienced musician who joined the orchestra on a cruise ship was having a terrible time keeping time with the rest of the band. Finally the band leader said, "Look, either you learn to keep time or I'll throw you overboard! So it's up to you, sync or swim."

Magy. Leo J. Enlow



| WEEKLY COLLECTION | | |
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| | January 1 | Total to Date |
| Loose Collections | \$1,089.50 | \$28,418.58 |
| Regular Collections | \$18,576.00 | \$738,161.97 |
| Annual School Fund | \$10,838.00 | \$271,440.21 |
| Holy Days | \$9,947.10 | \$39,043.40 |
| Totals | \$40,450.60 | \$1,077,064.16 |
| Total Budget Goal | \$32,000.00 | \$864,000.00 |
| Difference | \$8,450.60 | \$213,064.16 |
| Diocesan Collections | | |
| Dependent Children: | \$223.00 | |
| Retired Religious: | \$25.00 | |
| Catholic Times: | \$240.00 | |
| Haiti Sister Parish Collections | | |
| Collected | \$1,242.00 | |

Parish in Action

PARENT'S NIGHT OUT

SATURDAY, JANUARY 14 6:30 - 8:30 P.M.

Grab your date and head out for a night on the town. Free babysitting available in the lower level of St. Peter Church (space is limited, sign up early to guarantee your spot). Pick up your date night idea card at check in. Complete a suggested challenge or do something you love together! All who attend will be entered into a drawing for a bonus date night basket. Deadline to sign up is January 11.

BROUGHT TO YOU BY: THE ST. PETER RELATIONSHIP ENRICHMENT TEAM

Need More Info? or to phone in RSVP, Call 217.214.0187



SCAN QR CODE TO RSVP



St. Peter
PANCAKE & SAUSAGE

BACK FOR 2023!

Breakfast
SUNDAY, JANUARY 29
8:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.

St. Peter School Gym

\$5 All You Care to Eat

Featuring  **Chris Cakes**
 ST. LOUIS

