

The Parish of St. Peter Quincy, IL

~Mass Intentions~

August 14-20, 2023 14. Monday 8:00 a.m. Paul Poore 14. Monday 6:00 p.m. Richard Niemann Sr. 15. Tuesday 8:00 a.m. Jerry Kemner 15. Tuesday 12:10 p.m. Jim Steinkamp 15. Tuesday 6:00 p.m. Daniella Kendrick 16. Wednesday 8:30 a.m. Luke Mayfield 17. Thursday 8:00 a.m. Tom Ernst 18. Friday 8:00 a.m. Ann Anderson 19. Saturday 8:00 a.m. Alice Wavering Kemner & T.B. Kemner 19. Saturday 5:00 p.m. **Our Parish Family** 20. Sunday 8:00 a.m. Robert & Joanne Schlepphorst 20. Sunday 9:30 a.m. Mike Domme 20. Sunday 11:00 a.m. LeRoy VenvertIoh

- 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. Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time, August 13, 2023

Dear Parishioners

In our journey of faith, one common denominator we all have is our desire to seek God in our lives. If only God would reveal Himself to us, perhaps we might have more reassurance of our faith. If only we could experience His presence in our lives, perhaps then we might have more confidence in following Him. We all would like to be in God's presence and feel that presence. In our first reading today from the Book of Kings, we hear of a prophet named Elijah who had that same desire that we have. Elijah desired to be in the presence of His God and sought Him in differing elements in life. As he took shelter in a cave, Elijah was told that God would be passing by. Then differing elements of nature were made present, and yet God was not in any of them. From strong and heavy winds to earthquakes and fires, all phenomena which for most of us would think God was being made manifest in these elements of nature. But He wasn't present in any of them. What we are told was that Elijah experienced God in a tiny whispering sound. Unbelievable! Who would imagine that the all powerful, transcendent God, would be made manifest in a tiny whispering sound. What does this tell you about our God? For me, it tells me that our God doesn't fit into any particular mode. He comes to us in many simple and small ways. Let us be thankful to this God for He breaks the mold of human expectations and comes to us in ways that we may never understand.

This weekend, the Church celebrates the 19th Sunday in Ordinary Time. As we reflect upon this "ordinary time," perhaps the ordinary part reveals to us what Elijah experienced, namely that our God comes to us, is present in our lives, in some very ordinary experiences that we often miss. I pray this weekend that each of you will find our God especially in this Eucharist in which simple elements of bread and wine are changed into the Body and Blood of Christ. That's called His Real Presence. And there is nothing better than to experience this presence each and every Sunday.

This next week, St. Peter School begins another year of learning and growing in faith. Our school year officially begins on Wednesday, August 16th. As a parish family, I ask your prayers for our administration, faculty, staff, and students. May each of them discover the presence of God in the tiny whispering sounds that fill our hallways and classrooms. And may they all grow in faith, hope, and love as they reflect the catechetical commitment by our Church to this education.

This Tuesday, August 15th, is the Solemnity of the Assumption of Mary into heaven and is a Holyday of Obligation for all Catholics. In this Solemnity, we honor Mary who most perfectly embodies lowliness and humility. Mary's life affirms God's promise; He will lift us up and rewards us when we embrace the same spirit of humility and lowliness. Our Mass schedule is as follows:

Monday, August 14th, Vigil Mass at 6:00 p.m.

Tuesday, August 15th, Masses at 8:00, 10:00 at QND,

12:10 p.m. and 6:00 p.m.



Welcome!

Please welcome to our parish family Jonathan & Nicole Sidell, and their children Kaden, Samson & Lillian!

Holy Day Mass Times

Tuesday, August 15th, is a Holy Day of Obligation. The Mass times are as follows:

August 14th, at 6:00 p.m.

August 15th, at 8:00 a.m., 12:10 p.m. and 6:00 p.m.

EMHC & Usher Signup for Holy Day Masses

EMHC & Usher signup sheets for the holy day Masses are in the Narthex. Please signup if you can help. Thank you!

Back to School Praver Walk August 15th

Join us for a Back to School Prayer Walk at St. Peter Catholic School on Tuesday, August 15th @ 5:30 pm (meet outside the school office). Join us as we walk through our school and cover it in prayer for the new year. All teachers, parents, and parishioners are welcome! We will conclude before the Holy Day Mass - Feast of the Assumption of Mary at 6:00pm.

Social Concerns Meeting

Social Concerns will be meeting Friday. August 18 at 8:30 a.m. in the Martha Jane Room. All are welcome!

Fellowship Tuesdays

Join us for Fellowship Tuesdays after 8:00am Mass this week (8/15). Come for Mass, fellowship, coffee and treats!

To All Catholic Women

Please find the flyer and signup sheet in your church lobby for the Quincy Deanery CCW summer gathering. We encourage all women to join us as we further the work of Christ on earth. We learn, pray, gather new info and ideas to take to our parishes and families, and have fun-making new connections in the faith. Grab a friend and come-all ages welcome! This is Holy Family's first hosting and we want to have a great turnout for their efforts. The signup sheet is to give us an idea for food amounts, but if you find you can come at the last minute, please do so-we look forward to having you with us! This is the month of the Immaculate Heart and we have some great ideas to pass along for family spirituality and for kids! We will also have information on the upcoming Convention in Springfield. Our Lady is the Spiritual Director of this group and she always leads us in what she wants accomplished at each of our gatherings. We hope you will come and answer her calling! Please call 217-285-5483 with any questions you might have.-Angela Lipcamon-Pres. of Quincy DCCW

Please keep the following in your prayers: ~Kristopher Schreacke ~Elias Erd ~Lilli Foster ~Amv Seibert ~Isabella Benner ~Hunter Hildebrand ~Cindy Barner ~Natalie Meyer ~Steve Hull ~Bonnie Haubrich ~Dan Dailing ~Mary Lavery ~Alden & Joyce Shipp ~Norma Johnson ~Ted Kemner ~Joan Wilson ~Julie Eftink ~Jo Buckley ~Bill Morrison ~Sue Hildebrand ~lan Mehaffv ~Kathy Schuckman ~John & Barb Meyer ~Anonymous ~Lorna Shade ~Donna Schutte ~Ed Berry ~Maria (Eberhardt) Sparrow ~Diane Zoller ~Ken Wolf ~Phil Anthony Sanchez ~Valerie Fox Ortball ~Michelle & Dustin Houston ~JoAnn Schaefer ~Debra Sparrow

~Michael Mason

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

RCIA Program If you or a family member is considering the Catholic Faith, please join us in our RCIA program. The program started in September. Wonder no longer, come find out what the Catholic faith is all about. Classes are on Tuesday evenings 7:00 to 8:30pm, in the Martha Jane room, beneath the church. Contact the parish office at 222-3155. You will be glad you did.

Back-to-School Cocktail Party

Shake off the stress of back-to-school and join us for a cocktail party hosted by the QCES Foundation on Friday, August 18 from 5:30-7:30 at The Dock. Enjoy drinks, a food truck, games, and more! Free will donations at the door support the OCES Foundation. For more information call 217-779-3157.

Adorers needed for the Adoration Chapel

The Church and the world have a great need for Eucharistic worship. Jesus awaits us in this sacrament of love. Let us not refuse the time to go to meet Him in Adoration, in contemplation full of faith, and open to making amends for the serious offenses and crimes of the world. Let our adoration never cease (Catechism Catholic Church; 1380).

Please consider taking an hour in the Adoration Chapel. **OPEN Hours:**

Tues: 2 pm to 3 pm.

Wed: 1 am to 2 am, 2 am to 3 am, 3 am to 4 am, 4 am to 5 am.

Thurs: Midnight to 1 am on the 2nd, 4th, 5th weeks of the month, 5 pm to 6 pm on the 2nd, 4th weeks of the month. Fri: 1 am to 2 am, 2 pm to 3 pm, 11 pm to midnight. Sat: 1 am to 2 am, 2 am to 3 am, 3 pm to 4 pm on the 1st, 2nd, 4th, 5th week of the month, 5 pm to 6 pm on the 2nd week of the month.

Ask a friend to join you in taking an hour!

Please call Mary Voorhis at 217-653-3127 or call or text Gina Wolf at 217-257-9966 with questions or to fill an hour. We absolutely would love to have you be an Adorer with our group! We always have room on our sub list also if that fits your schedule better.

Thank You for Helping Back to School Help Fair

Thank you to the parishioners of St. Peter Church for purchasing more than 130 packages of underwear and more than 25 packages of socks. Those packages contained between 6-14 pairs of underwear or socks. All requested socks and underwear have been distributed to local school nurses and will be distributed throughout the schoolyear. The excess donated socks and underwear were given to Ladies of Charity. Your generosity will help so many Ouincy families!

Additional thanks for the St. Peter parishioners who made time to create the tags for donations of socks and underwear, sort, and lay out donated clothing items, and assist families at the back-to-school help fair that was held on August 5 at Iles Elementary. These acts of more than 35 servant hours were given by 11 St. Peter School or OND students, 17 members of the St. Peter Back to School Help Fair ministry, 6 members of the Social Concerns Committee and 2 other generous community members.

Thank you. St. Peter Parish!

"Give your hands to serve and your hearts to love". Mother Teresa

The School of St. Peter

Week of August 13, 2023 A Message from Mrs. Cindy Venvertloh

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

SCHEDULE FOR THE START OF THE SCHOOL YEAR

Monday, Aug. 14 (Kindergarten parents only)

Kindergarten Parent Orientation Night – 6:00-7:30 p.m. held in your child's classroom. (Students do not attend.) At 7:00 parents will move to the gym for a 30 minute session with Fr. Zach.

Tuesday, Aug. 15

Prayer Walk-5:30pm-6:00pm-Blessing of the School & School Year-please come to school to share in this opportunity to bless our school.

Wednesday, Aug. 16th:

First Day of School for grades K-8 - we dismiss at 11:30 a.m.; there is no daycare, no lunch and only am bus service. Parents are asked to pick up students by 11:30 a.m. as the teachers/staff have meetings that begin at 11:45 a.m. First half of Kindergarten students attend. (second ¹/₂ attend Thursday) Mrs. Gallaher's KS students last names A-L attend; Mrs. Eaton's KN students last names A-L attend. (Preschool Only) - Preschool Parent Orientation Night (parents only) - 6:00-7:00 p.m. Parents of 3 year olds meet in the cafeteria. Parents of 4 year olds meet in the gym.

Thursday, Aug. 17th:

Grades 1-8 dismiss at 2:50 p.m. with full bus service **3yr old Preschool** begins $-\frac{1}{2}$ attend (1st part of alphabet – AM class with last names A-M; PM class A-K.)

4yr old Preschool - 1/2 attend (AM class with last names A-L, PM class with last names A-J) Kindergarten (second half of alphabet by last name attend and dismiss at 11:30 a.m. Parents will need to arrange for pick up for their Kindergarten child.) Mrs. Gallaher's students M-Z attend; Mrs. Eaton's students M-Z attend. First day of Daycare available before and after school only for K-8. First day of hot lunch for grades 1-8.

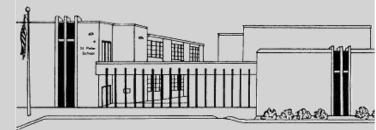
Friday, Aug. 18th:

Grades 1-8 dismiss at 2:50 p.m. with full bus service. 4yr old Preschool (second 1/2 alphabet attend: AM class with last names M-Z, PM class last names K-Z.)

¹/₂ Day for all Kindergarten students – 11:30 dismissal – parents will need to provide 11:30 pick up. No lunch will be served to kindergarten due to 11:30 dismissal.

HIRING AFTERNOON DAY CARE HELPERS

St. Peter School is hiring daycare workers to supervise students varying from Kindergarten -8th grade during the St. Peter School after school program from 2:15-5:30 Monday-Friday. Applicants must love children and enjoy supervising and working closely with them. Rate of pay per hour is \$14.00. If you are interested send a resume along with letters of recommendation to Mrs. Cindy Venvertloh at 2500 Maine Street, Quincy, IL 62301 or c.venvertloh@cospq.org.



MENU

Monday: No school. Tuesday: No school. Wednesday: 1/2 day of school.

Thursday: Breaded chicken on bun, curly fries, corn, fruit. Friday: French bread pizza, marinara, green beans, fruit

ORDER YOUR SPIRIT DAY SHIRTS FOR THE SCHOOL YEAR

Spirit Day t-shirts (long and short-sleeved), sweatshirts, and embroidered items are available to purchase for the 2023-2024 school year. (Don't forget to order long-sleeved shirts and sweatshirts for the colder months.) Please remember that the shirts cannot be returned or exchanged as they are specially printed and ordered through Landmark.

Orders can be placed by going to:

https://store.landmarxwear.com/ sites/patriots/categories

Orders should be placed online no later that August 27, 2023. (Late orders for Spirit Day t-shirts will not be accepted.)



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Mark Your Calendar

Mon. August 14: Tues. August 15: School Prayer Walk 5:30 p.m., Front of School Office Wed. August 16: Ladies Cursillo 1:30 p.m., Fr. Bauer Prayer Rm Thurs. August 17: Fri. August 18: Social Concerns Meeting 8:30 a.m., Martha Jane Room Sat. August 19: Sun. August 20: FOUND 6:30 p.m., Martha Jane Room

Fr. Leo's column continued..

Just a reminder that we will be celebrating our Parish Picnic on Saturday, August 26th. We are always looking for volunteers for this picnic and we welcome every and all faces to help us celebrate this evening of fun, food, and entertainment. Those wishing to volunteer, please access the signup genius link on the Church website, https://www.cospq.org/, then click below the St Peter's picnic logo to see the opportunities available in the various areas. The picnic will begin at 5:00 p.m. and will go to Midnight. Hopefully you have returned your raffle tickets for all the various prizes that will be awarded.

The other day, I received an anonymous letter to which I give very little attention. They did, however, make an important point that I hope I will continue to address. I've asked you to do several surveys over this past year and I haven't reported the findings. Point taken. I just wish they would have signed it.

ON THE LIGHTER SIDE: One summer day after playing outside with his sister, the 5 year old son came into the kitchen and asked, "What are you doing, Mom?"

"I'm just cooking, " I told him.

"Oh, " he replied, "what are we having?"

I told him, "leftovers."

He scrunched up his face and looked up at me and asked, "That's cooking?" Magn. Les J. Eulor

Project Rachel

Help for women and men to heal from the pain of abortion. For assistance call 1-877-RACHEL-5.

Reporting Allegations of Child Sexual Abuse

To report allegations of sexual abuse of a minor by clergy or other church personnel -- even if it is in the past -- individuals are encouraged to call the Diocese's Child Abuse Reporting and Investigation number at (217) 321-1155. Individuals may also contact Illinois Department of Children and Family Services Child Abuse Hotline at 1.800.25.ABUSE.

Eucharistic Congress October 28 - BOS Center In Springfield You are invited to a historical diocesan-wide celebration at the BOS Center in Springfield – To celebrate the Diocesan Year of the Eucharist and the 100th anniversary of the transfer of the See city from Alton to Springfield, the Eucharistic Congress is taking place Saturday, October 28 at the BOS Center in Springfield. This dynamic experience will include nationally recognized Catholic speakers, adoration, confession, and Mass. The arena will be packed with thousands of Catholics from across the diocese. Our deadline has changed and we still have tickets left. To attend, contact our parish office by September 13, at church@cospq.org or 217-222-3155, as we are given a specific number of available seats. For more information, volunteering or financially supporting/sponsoring the event, visit dio.org.



WEEKLY COLLECTION

	<u>August 6</u>	Total to Date
Loose Collections	\$1,055.83	\$5,817.97
Regular Collections	\$19,710.40	\$159,757.40
Annual School Fund	\$4,927.00	\$47,183.00
Holy Days	\$190.00	\$220.00
Totals	\$25,883.23	\$212,978.37
Total Budget Goal	\$32,000.00	\$192,000.00
Difference	(\$6,116.77)	\$20,987.37

Diocesan Collections

Catholic Charities: \$52.00 Missions Co-op: \$100.00

Haiti Sister Parish Collections

Collected \$1,323.50





Sign up to work at our annual picnic taking place on August 26th. Please access the signup genius link on the church website. <u>https://www.cospq.org/</u> Click the St. Peter's Picnic Logo to see all the opportunities to work in various areas. All this is made possible with the parishioners support. If you need assistance with signup, please contact Brian Baker @ 217-440-3998.





Calling all Volunteers!