



The Parish of St. Peter Quincy, IL

~Mass Intentions~

October 2-8, 2023

- 2. **Monday 8:00 a.m.**
Luke Mayfield
- 3. **Tuesday 8:00 a.m.**
Florence Terwelp
- 4. **Wednesday 8:30 a.m.**
Kathleen Neuser
- 5. **Thursday 8:00 a.m.**
Robert Friye
- 6. **Friday 8:00 a.m.**
Ann Anderson
- 7. **Saturday 8:00 a.m.**
Alice Wavering Kemner &
T.B. Kemner
- 7. **Saturday 5:00 p.m.**
Madeline M. Miller
- 8. **Sunday 8:00 a.m.**
Billy Smith
- 8. **Sunday 9:30 a.m.**
Our Parish Family
- 8. **Sunday 11:00 a.m.**
Zakery Haubrich

— 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.

Twenty-sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time, October 1, 2023

Dear Parishioners,

As we begin the new month of October, we find an interesting gospel that reflects our human condition. How many of us remember telling our mothers that upon her request we would clean our rooms. And then distractions occur, other interests were peeked, and we never did as promised. Or how many of us upon the request of a parent would boldly state, “no,” and then reflect upon our statement, have regrets, and end up doing as we were asked. Such is our human condition! According to the Catholic Catechism, “God created human beings as rational beings, conferring on them the dignity of a person who can initiate and control his/her own actions.” We have in other words, a “free will” to decide what choices we will do. In this gospel, we hear two sons who were asked by their father to work in the vineyard. The first son, exercising his free will, said, “no, I will not” but later changed his mind and went. The second son, exercising his free will, said “yes” he would go but never did as he promised. The point of this parable is that God gives us a free will, an ability to make choices to follow His Will, or follow our own will. The sinners with whom Jesus associated were like the first son, who when invited, said No but because of grace and the presence of the Son of Man, they changed their minds. The other group were the good people of Israel, the Pharisees and other leaders who said “yes” to following God’s Will but when this God becomes man they in turn changed their minds and did what they wanted. This simple parable has much meaning for all of us. It also carries out a hope, a hope that in spite of our saying “no” to what God asks, that there is forgiveness and mercy and grace that helps to change our minds.

As we begin this new month of October, you will notice that our ushers will be counting our attendance at our Masses. This is to assist the diocese in its planning process and has been coined our October count. So during this month, I ask you to sit up so no one will be missed. Beginning this weekend and lasting for the next three weeks, the ushers will be counting heads. I am hoping that our people have returned from pre-Covid days and have made the Eucharist on the weekend once again a priority.

Many of you who responded to the feasibility study concerning our capital campaign recently received a letter from me with the results. In that letter we listed the next steps as we await diocesan approval for us to enlist the Steier Group to head our campaign as well as the priority of projects for this campaign. As of this writing, I have not heard from the Bishop authorizing his approval for what we hope to accomplish. Needless to say, I could have easily coasted without any burdens of a capital campaign, but I just see a need for us here at St. Peter to secure our school, continue our funeral dinners without interrupting school, and adding much needed classroom space. With such a project, then we open up the area below the Church for what I hope would be a parish center for our people. But to make that space available, we have to make room to move over to the school area our library and pre-school program. But we can’t do that until we have more available space. I’m hoping and praying that our parish will continue to get behind us in their support as St. Peter School is an important part of our evangelization as a parish.

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Next Meeting
Minute to Win It
October 1st
6:30 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.
Meet in the Cafeteria

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



Saints Alive!
October 1st

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
Sandra Holford
sing praises with the Angels in Heaven forever.

Baptism

William Robert Kelle, son of **Conner & Olivia (Reichert) Kelle**, was made a child of God through the reception of the sacrament of Baptism on Sunday, September 24, 2023.

Social Concerns Collection

Social Concerns is collecting baby shower items (new items for infants: clothes, diapers, wipes, baby shampoo, Vaseline, bottles, etc.) next weekend, Sept. 30-Oct. 1 for the 1st Sunday collection for the Ladies of Charity. Containers will be located in the Narthex. Thank you in advance!

The Marriage Course

The Marriage Enrichment group is once again offering The Marriage Course, a 7 week program that encourages important skills on key aspects of healthy relationships through individual couple discussion. Dates: Sunday evenings from 6:00-7:30pm in the Martha Jane Room from Oct. 1 through Nov. 19 (excluding 10/15). Babysitting provided. Cost is \$10 per couple. To register please contact the church office or Betty McDonnell at 217-653-3003.



"A Time To Mourn...A Time to Heal"

A 6 week series starting this Fall
 November 2nd, 9th, 16th, 30th, December 7th, 14th
 St. Peter Parish Office
 Open to those who have lost a loved one
 whether recently or in the past.
 If interested, please call: Parish Office at 217-222-3155.

Life Chain

Life Chain will be held on Sunday, October 1st, 2023 - 2:30 - 3:30. Location: Broadway from 14th - 16th. Participants hold signs, stand, and pray silently for one hour.

St. Edward Turkey Dinner

St. Edward of Mendon will have their annual Turkey Dinner On October 29, serving from 11:00am to 1:30pm. \$12 adults, \$8 children 10 and under. Carry outs available \$12.00 each, Mass time will be 9:30am. Join us for a Homemade delicious meal!

Please keep the following in your prayers:

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| ~Kristopher Schreacke | ~Elias Erd | |
| ~Sue Hildebrand | ~Amy Seibert | |
| ~Hunter Hildebrand | ~Isabella Benner | ~Steve Hull |
| ~Lorna Shade | ~Natalie Meyer | ~Ed Berry |
| ~Bonnie Haubrich | ~Dan Dailing | ~Mary Lavery |
| ~Alden & Joyce Shipp | ~Norma Johnson | ~Ted Kemner |
| ~Joan Wilson | ~Donna Schutte | ~Jo Buckley |
| ~Maria (Eberhardt) Sparrow | | ~Nancy Bohan |
| ~Kathy Schuckman | ~Bill Morrison | ~Julie Eftink |
| ~John & Barb Meyer | ~Anonymous | ~Anonymous |
| ~Ian Mehaffy | ~Charlotte Siebers | ~Ken Wolf |
| ~Diane Zoller | ~Weston Harvey | ~Cindy Barner |
| ~Phil Anthony Sanchez | ~Valerie Fox Ortball | ~Michael Mason |
| ~Michelle & Dustin Houston | ~JoAnn Schaefer | ~Debra Sparrow |
- To have a name added to this list, please call the Parish Office at 222-3155 or email church@cospq.org.



September, 2023

Dear Friends in the Lord,

I am aware that many worthy charities outside our diocese contact you annually for financial support. In the Diocese of Springfield in Illinois, along with parish and diocesan giving, I am reminding parishes and schools of our policy on Fund-raising for Missions (\$9000 Fundraising for Missions) and ask for support of the Pontifical Mission Societies (TPMS), which includes: the Society for the Propagation of the Faith, Missionary Childhood Association (MCA), Society of St. Peter the Apostle, and the Missionary Union of Priests and Religious.

In addition to our diocesan policy, Church documents direct that the Pontifical Mission Societies should be given "first place" [Ad Gentes no. 38] and "the leading role" [Redemptoris Missio no. 84] in the Church's work of missionary formation through their material support, benefiting the poorest in the world. Each of us need to support that work as best we can.

Parishes, schools, and religious education programs may elect to support other worthy charities, but this should be in addition to their works of prayer and sacrifice through the Pontifical Mission Societies. I also ask that you carefully research any additional groups you choose to support to ensure that their work follows Catholic teaching. The Pontifical Mission Societies, given their standing in the Church internationally, are in the position to vet credentials of other Catholic mission relief groups. If you require assistance, contact our diocesan Office for the Missions at (217) 698-8500.

Following these guidelines should help better support the universal evangelization efforts of the Church through the Pontifical Mission Societies.

I extend my thanks to those parishes, schools and religious education programs that already actively participate in the works of these societies. I am ever grateful for your efforts in forming those you serve in the Catholic Faith.

Gratefully yours in Christ,

† Thomas John Paprocki

Most Reverend Thomas John Paprocki
 Bishop of Springfield in Illinois

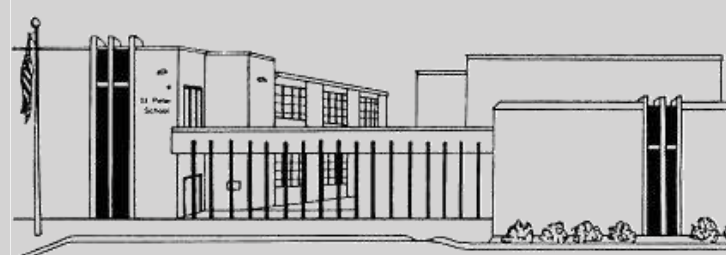
Blessed Sacrament Free Concert

A free concert at Blessed Sacrament Church on Sunday, Oct. 8th, Concert at 6:00pm, sung rosary at 6:45pm. Sing of Mary. A voice that will amaze you. A message that will inspire you. An event that will draw you closer to the Lord. Donna Cori will share songs to praise our Savior, Jesus Christ, honoring and sharing stories & songs of our mother, Mary and ending with a sung rosary. For info, call 217-222-2759.

Annual Respect Life Dinner

Right to Life of Adams County is holding their Annual Respect Life dinner on Thursday, October 12 at the Holiday Inn (4821 Oak). Doors open at 5:30pm, dinner at 6:00pm. \$25 a person, \$40 for 2 people, \$150 for table of 8. Speaker is Steve Karlen, Communications Director for 40 Days for Life. For more information go to rtlac.org.

The School of St. Peter



Week of October 1, 2023

A Message from Mrs. Cindy Venvertloh

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



CONGRATULATIONS

Congratulations to Mrs. Becky McCutchen and Mrs. Emily Mellon for receiving \$150 from the Morning Optimist Club. They will be celebrating a special Dot Day in the near future. This day was created by a teacher named Terry Shay back in 2009 as a way of celebrating creativity, courage and collaboration. The whole day is inspired by a children's book called 'The Dot' which is written by Peter H. Reynolds.



MENU

- Monday:** BBQ rib on bun, emoji fries, corn, fruit.
- Tuesday:** Sausage/egg biscuit, hash brown, veggie juice, fruit.
- Wednesday:** Turkey/bacon wrap, chips, carrots, fruit.
- Thursday:** Sausage pizza, green beans, pudding, fruit.
- Friday:** No School.

THIS WEEK

- Monday, Oct. 2:
- Tuesday, Oct. 3: 4th grade field trip to John Wood Mansion.
- Wednesday, Oct. 4: **Feast Day for the House of St. Francis of Assisi** - students in this house wear their House shirts with dress code bottoms; Children's Mass at 8:30-3rd grade in charge. 2:00 Blessing of the Pets.
- Thursday, Oct. 5: **Raider Road Show** visiting at 9:45; No PM bus service.
- Friday, Oct. 6 : **NO SCHOOL** - teacher in-service.

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Mark Your Calendar

Mon. Oct. 2:

Tues. Oct. 3: Ladies Bible Study 8:30 a.m., Martha Jane Room
RCIA 7:00 p.m., Martha Jane Room

Wed. Oct. 4: Ladies Cursillo 1:30 p.m., Fr. Bauer Prayer Rm
PSR 6:30 p.m., School

Thurs. Oct. 5:

Fri. Oct. 6:

Sat. Oct. 7:

Sun. Oct. 8: Marriage Course 6:00 p.m., Martha Jane Room

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 Tickets
Any remaining tickets are open to the public. If you would like to reserve a seat, please go to dio.org/revival-bos/ to register.
Parishioners who have signed up through the parish office will be receiving information directly from the Diocese regarding the Congress to your smart phone number or email address. Please look for emails from the Diocese that will contain your ticket and information about the day.

Fr. Leo's column continued..

This weekend, Sept. 30-October 1st, we will have on display differing posters describing Eucharistic miracles that have occurred over the centuries. I find these displays quite interesting and helps us appreciate this great Sacrament of the Eucharist that is front and center to our lives. This display of the Eucharistic miracles will be in the basement of our Church after all of our Masses this weekend. Come down and join us after Saturday evening Mass and enjoy some wine and cheese as you survey the displays. Then on Sunday morning, we will have our coffee and donuts after our Masses as you enjoy reading the many miracles that have happened over the years. These displays are well worth seeing. So please join us.

This past week, we sent to Fr. Delix Michel and our mission Churches of Haiti our quarterly check for \$15,000 along with a \$700 check from Social Concerns Committee. Needless to say, this is an important time for our brothers and sisters who are suffering so much from the insecurity and poverty of that country. Please continue to be generous and make sure that you keep them in your prayers. Thank you!

ON THE LIGHTER SIDE: At the checkout counter, the bag boy asked the customer, "Paper or Plastic?" (Remember those days) The customer replied, "I don't care, you pick one." The bag boy stated, "I can't." Customer, "why not?" Bag Boy (you ready for this): "Cause, baggers can't be choosers." (ha, ha)

Magy. Leo J. Eulow



WEEKLY COLLECTION		
	September 24	Total to Date
Loose Collections	\$1,084.81	\$13,654.99
Regular Collections	\$16,299.40	\$335,771.20
Annual School Fund	\$4,961.00	\$90,845.00
Holy Days	\$0.00	\$2,688.00
Totals	\$22,345.21	\$442,959.19
Total Budget Goal	\$32,000.00	\$416,000.00
Difference	(\$9,654.79)	\$26,959.19

Diocesan Collections
Church of Africa: \$70.00
World Mission: \$20.00

Haiti Sister Parish Collections
Collected \$455.00

Parish in Action

S'MORE FUN! RETURNS

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 15

6:00-7:30 P.M.

EVENT COST
\$5 PER PERSON
\$15 PER FAMILY

NEED MORE INFO? Call 217.214.0187

Come spend a cozy evening together as a family! Enjoy s'mores stations, hot chocolate and a light dinner of hot dogs, chips and lemonade. We'll have live music, yard games, a hayride, and a family activity. Don't miss out on this night of cozy family fun!

SCAN CODE TO SIGN UP

SAVE THE DATE

ADVENT PARISH MISSION

DECEMBER 2-5, 2023

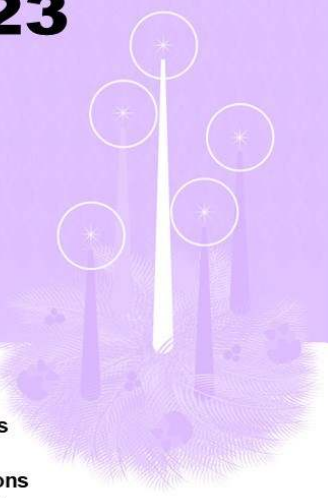
- Begins during all Weekend Masses on 12/2 and 12/3
- Continues with Parish Mission Conferences on 12/4 and 12/5 at 6:30 p.m. in the Church
- A reception will follow on 12/5 in the Cafeteria
- Childcare available for children ages 1 and older in the Martha Jane Room

Call 217.222.3155 for more information

ST. PETER CHURCH



Fr. Kolbe Woniakowski, OSB is excited to return to St. Peter for his second Advent Parish Mission. He will offer a series of presentations on the Eucharist and how this relates to the Advent season.



Eucharistic Miracles Display Boards

Come join us to view displays of Eucharist Miracles. Information highlighting Eucharistic miracles from around the world will be on display after Mass on Saturday, September 30 and Sunday, October 1 in the Cafeteria. We will have wine and cheese following the Saturday Mass and coffee and donuts following the Sunday Masses.