



The Parish of St. Peter Quincy, IL

~Mass Intentions~

February 12-18, 2024

- 12. Monday 8:00 a.m.
Luke Mayfield
- 13. Tuesday 8:00 a.m.
Dave Oakley Sr. &
David Adam Oakley
- 14. Wednesday 8:30 a.m.
Patrick Myers
- 14. Wednesday 12:10 p.m.
Jack Souders
- 14. Wednesday 6:30 p.m.
Robert Deters
- 15. Thursday 8:00 a.m.
Edgar A. & Virginia R.
Newman
- 15. Thursday 6:30 p.m.
Richard Lauer
- 16. Friday 8:00 a.m.
Priscilla Morrison
- 16. Friday 6:30 p.m.
Jeff Steinkamp
- 17. Saturday 8:00 a.m.
Virginia Deters
- 17. Saturday 5:00 p.m.
Ann Anderson
- 18. Sunday 8:00 a.m.
Bud Julius Meyer
- 18. Sunday 9:30 a.m.
Our Parish Family
- 18. 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.

Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time, February 11, 2024

Dear Parishioners,

Remember several years ago when we were under the Covid restrictions, people who were affected by this illness were isolated from the community in order to avoid begin contagious. It got so bad that we cancelled school and we even were asked to cancel our celebration of the Eucharist. Any type of gathering of people was being prohibited and the wearing of masks was mandated. Covid created quite a hysteria in our community as it filled our hospitals and even became a life and death situation for some. I bring this to your attention because it fits in with our first reading and gospel for this weekend. What Covid did to us several years ago, leprosy did the same for the people of Israel. In fact, we find in the book of Leviticus regulations governing those who even appeared to have skin disease. These people were “to keep garments rent and head bare, muffle one’s beard, dwell apart from the community, and cry out ‘Unclean, Unclean.’” If one failed to live by these regulations, one was liable to be punished even with death. The protection of the community from contagious diseases like leprosy was paramount. One can understand then how leprosy became linked to sin. Leprosy was contagious to the physical community as sin was contagious to the spiritual community. And yet in the readings for this same weekend, we find Jesus in our gospel doing the impossible, touching a person with leprosy and healing him of not only the illness but also of the isolation which came as a result of the leprosy. We find Jesus, “moved with pity, stretching out His hand, touching him, and saying to him, ‘Be made clean.’” And he was made clean. This is the same Jesus who does the same for us in His forgiveness of our sins. As we begin Lent in another week, let’s use this time to also “be made clean” through the forgiveness of our sins.

This Wednesday, February 14th, is Ash Wednesday and the beginning of our season of Lent. Our Mass schedule is as follows: 8:30 a.m., 10:00 a.m. Mass at QND (gym), 12:10 Mass, and 6:30 p.m. Mass. Then throughout the season of Lent, we will also be adding an evening Mass at 6:30 p.m. Monday thru Friday. The Sacrament of Reconciliation will be celebrated from 5:45-6:15 p.m. on Monday, Wednesdays, and Fridays during Lent. Also, please consult the bulletin for the Lenten regulations regarding fast and abstinence.

I also want to remind you of the parish mission during his season of Lent. Our speaker this year is once again a person I enjoy and know that you will also enjoy, Fr. Denis Robinson. Fr. Denis is a Benedictine priest and the rector of St. Meinrad Seminary, in Indiana. He will offer a series of presentations on the Eucharist and how this relates to the Lenten season. He will be speaking at all of our Masses next weekend, February 24-25th. Then Sunday and Monday night, at 6:30 p.m. Fr. Denis will presenting a conference each evening. I encourage you to attend and enjoy Fr. Denis and his presentations.

As we begin this season of Lent, I want to encourage you to make use of this time to grow in prayer, to celebrate the Eucharist with us, and to receive the Sacrament of Reconciliation. I also am giving our parishioners a Lenten devotional to use entitled, “Our Daily Visitor, Lent 2024.” This devotion is to be used each day with readings and prayers. Please take one per family.

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Next Meeting
Catch Me If You Can
February 18th
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!
March 10th

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.

<p>Baptism Madison Grace Rakers, daughter of Brennan & Michaela (Treutel) Rakers, was made a child of God through the reception of the sacrament of Baptism on Sunday, February 4, 2024.</p>	<p>Welcome! Please welcome to our parish family Grant Hellenthal and his son Lucas; Blaine Wilson & Madeline Rodeffer!</p>																																										
<p>Ash Wednesday Mass Times Ash Wednesday Mass times are 8:30am, 12:10 & 6:30pm.</p>	<p>Tuesday Treats Join us for Fellowship Tuesdays after 8:00am Mass this week (2/13). Come for Mass, fellowship, coffee and treats!</p>																																										
<p>EMHC & Usher Sign Up for Ash Wednesday We need EMHCs and ushers for Ash Wednesday this next week on Feb. 14. Please signup in the Narthex if you can help.</p>	<p>"A Time To Mourn...A Time to Heal" Bereavement Sessions Thursdays from 4:00-6:00pm February 22nd, March 7th, 14th, 21st 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.</p>																																										
<p>Lenten Evening Masses We are having the 6:30 p.m. evening Masses Monday through Friday during Lent. There will also be confessions at 5:45 p.m. - 6:15 p.m. on Monday, Wed., & Friday before Mass.</p>	<p>St. Peter Men's Group The St. Peter Men's Group meetings for Spring 2024 will begin again on Friday, February 16. A new program will be beginning using "Into the Breach" videos put together by the Knights of Columbus. These videos identify the crisis of faith facing the Church today and a vision of how Catholic men can combat it. Doors to the gym open at 6:00 am and the program begins at 6:30 with discussion ending by 7:30 am. Check out the Youtube trailer for the series: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ss0i4xuSffQ</p>																																										
<p>Social Concerns Meeting Social Concerns will be meeting Friday, Feb. 16 at 8:30 a.m. in the Martha Jane Room. All are welcome!</p>	<p>What is CRS Rice Bowl? CRS Rice Bowl is a Catholic Relief Services' Lenten faith-in-action program for families and faith communities. Through CRS Rice Bowl, we deepen our personal experience of Lent. We can devote our Lenten prayers, fasting and gifts to transform our relationship with God and neighbor. Please pick up your families Rice Bowl. Bowls are in the Narthex and will be collected April 6 & 7—the weekend after Easter.</p>																																										
<p>Marriage Enrichment The Marriage Enrichment ministry is expanding its offerings! We have flexible offerings of two distinct programs to meet the needs of a broader range of couples. The 7-session program "The Marriage Course" will be offered as well as a new program entitled "United in Love, United in Christ". This new program is for those who are seeking to explore their relationship by living out marriage through a sacramental lens. The new program consists of 6 sessions and it is recommended that those interested first participate in "The Marriage Course". Both programs will also be offered in a more flexible customized schedule. Daycare may be an option. Anyone interested in either option should contact Betty: 217-653-3003, Lori: 618-509-1104 or Laurie: 217-617-9062 by February 16.</p>	<p>Fourth Day Renewal Consider attending a Fourth Day Renewal to deepen your spiritual journey this Lent. If you have ever attended a Cursillo weekend, you are invited to attend. All are welcome - couples, singles, widowed, divorced, male and female. This 24 hours can be a real gift from God to you and re-fueling your Piety, Study and Action. The March weekend is March 8-9 (7pm Friday-7pm Saturday) and is held at the Franciscan Retreat Center, Quincy, IL.. Feel free to contact Tom Deters 217-653-9725 for more information or questions. Cost is \$55 per person. To learn more and to register online, go to: https://www.quincycursillo.com/applications/fourth-day-renewal/</p>																																										
<p>The Road to Hope Book Study During this season of Lent, we are called to prayer, which could include spiritual companionship for those who need healing. Please join us for a book study to discover how our Catholic Church calls us to be spiritual companions for those suffering and needing healing. If you are interested in learning about how our Church is helping those who have family members or friends who suffer from any form of addiction, please pick up a copy of the book The Road to Hope: Responding to the Crisis of Addiction, which is available in the Narthex. If you are interested in discussing this book with others in our Catholic Church community, please join us for two book study gatherings on Thursday, March 7 and Thursday, March 21 from 7:00 - 8:00 p.m. in the Martha Jane room. For more information, please contact Carol Frericks at 217-316-6711.</p>	<p>QND Open House Quincy Notre Dame High School will hold their annual Open House for parents on Sunday, February 25, 1:00 - 3:00 p.m. Interested families will have the opportunity to meet QND students, parents and faculty, find out more about the academic programs offered, take a tour and explore the school and discover what's happening at QND. Everyone is welcome to come for all or part of the afternoon. The schedule for the QND Open House is as follows: 1 - 2 pm - Presentations in the QND Cafeteria - Welcome, overview, QND House system, question and answer session about financial assistance and more. 2 - 3 pm - Tour QND and meet teachers in their classrooms on a student-guided tour or explore on your own. For more information, please contact Mary Pat Vahlkamp at mvahlkamp@quincynotredame.org or 217-223-2479.</p>																																										
<p>Please keep the following in your prayers:</p> <table border="0"> <tr> <td>~Kristopher Schrecke</td> <td>~Elias Erd</td> <td></td> </tr> <tr> <td>~Sue Hildebrand</td> <td>~Amy Seibert</td> <td></td> </tr> <tr> <td>~Hunter Hildebrand</td> <td>~Isabella Benner</td> <td></td> </tr> <tr> <td>~Lorna Shade</td> <td>~Natalie Meyer</td> <td>~Ed Berry</td> </tr> <tr> <td>~Diane Wagner</td> <td>~Dan Dailing</td> <td>~Mary Lavery</td> </tr> <tr> <td>~Alden & Joyce Shipp</td> <td>~Ken Althoff</td> <td>~Ted Kemner</td> </tr> <tr> <td>~Joan Wilson</td> <td>~Donna Schutte</td> <td>~Jo Buckley</td> </tr> <tr> <td>~Maria (Eberhardt) Sparrow</td> <td>~Mario Camacho</td> <td>~Nancy Bohan</td> </tr> <tr> <td>~Kathy Schuckman</td> <td>~Bill Morrison</td> <td>~Julie Eftink</td> </tr> <tr> <td>~John & Barb Meyer</td> <td>~Bonnie Haubrich</td> <td>~Anonymous</td> </tr> <tr> <td>~Ian Mehaffy</td> <td>~Charlotte Siebers</td> <td>~Anonymous</td> </tr> <tr> <td>~Diane Zoller</td> <td>~Weston Harvey</td> <td>~Cindy Barner</td> </tr> <tr> <td>~Valerie Fox Ortball</td> <td>~Debra Sparrow</td> <td>~Michael Mason</td> </tr> <tr> <td>~Michelle & Dustin Houston</td> <td>~JoAnn Schaefer</td> <td>~Liem Thanh Mai</td> </tr> </table>	~Kristopher Schrecke	~Elias Erd		~Sue Hildebrand	~Amy Seibert		~Hunter Hildebrand	~Isabella Benner		~Lorna Shade	~Natalie Meyer	~Ed Berry	~Diane Wagner	~Dan Dailing	~Mary Lavery	~Alden & Joyce Shipp	~Ken Althoff	~Ted Kemner	~Joan Wilson	~Donna Schutte	~Jo Buckley	~Maria (Eberhardt) Sparrow	~Mario Camacho	~Nancy Bohan	~Kathy Schuckman	~Bill Morrison	~Julie Eftink	~John & Barb Meyer	~Bonnie Haubrich	~Anonymous	~Ian Mehaffy	~Charlotte Siebers	~Anonymous	~Diane Zoller	~Weston Harvey	~Cindy Barner	~Valerie Fox Ortball	~Debra Sparrow	~Michael Mason	~Michelle & Dustin Houston	~JoAnn Schaefer	~Liem Thanh Mai	
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ST. PETER CHILI COOKOFF

SUNDAY, MARCH 3

12:00 - 2:00 PM

ST. PETER SCHOOL GYM
2500 MAINE ST. IN QUINCY



FLIGHT OF CHILI
\$5 PERSON / \$10 FAMILY
Hot dogs, chips, cookies, cornbread and drinks provided.

DOES YOUR CHILI HAVE WHAT IT TAKES TO WIN?

- FREE to enter cookoff contest
- Chefs set up at 10:00 a.m. / Doors open at Noon
- Prizes awarded for 1st, 2nd, 3rd and People's Choice
- Limited to 25 entries

Questions?
CALL
217.214.0187



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SCAN QR CODE TO RSVP



SCHOOL MENU

Monday: Hamburger, curly fries, baked beans, fruit.
Tuesday: Meatballs, bosco stick, veggie boat, fruit.
Wednesday: French bread pizza, marinara, Romaine salad, fruit.
Thursday: Corn dog, emoji fries, green beans, fruit.
Friday: No School

THIS WEEK AT SCHOOL

Mon., Feb. 12:
Tues., Feb. 13:
Wed. Feb. 14: **Ash Wednesday: Children's Mass**—1st grade in charge of Mass; **Happy Valentine's Day**;
Thurs. Feb. 15: Preschool registration and enrollment information due.
Fri., Feb. 16: No School—teachers attending retreat in Springfield
Mark your calendars for **Kindergarten Round Up**
Thursday, March 14: 5:30-8:30 or Friday, March 15: 12:30-2:30

Mark Your Calendar

Mon. Feb. 12:

Tues. Feb. 13: Ladies Bible Study 8:30 a.m., Martha Jane Room
Tuesday Treats after Mass in Narthex
RCIA 7:00 p.m., Martha Jane Room

Wed. Feb. 14: Ash Wednesday Mass Times:
8:30am(school), 12:10pm & 6:30pm
Ladies Cursillo 1:30 p.m., Fr. Bauer Prayer Room

Thurs. Feb. 15: Mass 6:30 p.m., Church

Fri. Feb. 16: Social Concerns Meeting 8:30 a.m., Martha Jane Room
Mass 6:30 p.m., Church

Sat. Feb. 17:

Sun. Feb. 18: FOUND 6:30 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.

St. Joseph's Annual Shrimp Boil & Fish Fry
St. Joseph Church's all you can eat shrimp boil & fish fry will be held Feb. 10th. Food served at 5pm. All you can eat for \$20, 5-12 \$5, 4 and under free. 1435 E. 1500th St. Quincy (in the country by the airport).

St. Edward's Annual Whole Hog Breakfast
Sausage & Pancake Day and Biscuits & Gravy. All you can eat! Feb. 11th at 8:00am-12:00pm. Adults \$12, 10 and under \$6. 214 S. State Rd, Mendon, IL.

Ash Wednesday Fish Fry
Blessed Sacrament BSA's Ash Wednesday fish fry on 2/14 4:00-7:00pm. Catfish & walleye dinner \$14, macaroni & cheese dinner \$6. Dine in, carryout or curbside pickup. Blessed Sacrament school cafeteria, 1115 S. 7th St.

St. Anthony & St. Dominic Fish Fries
St. Dominic School: 2/16, 3/1, 3/15 at 4:30-7:00pm
St. Anthony Church: 2/23, 3/8, 3/22 at 4:30-7:00pm.
Catfish or walleye plate \$14, child's plate \$8, fish sandwich/fries/drink \$8. Carry outs available: St. Dominic through East driveway, St. Anthony through South basement entrance.

Feast Day of Our Lady of Lourdes
Please visit 'Our Lady of Lourdes of Ghost Hollow Grotto on Sunday, February 11, 2024 for your private prayer or Rosary during daylight hours, located at the spring at the corner of 4507 Ghost Hollow and Herleman Roads, Quincy.

WEEKLY COLLECTION

	February 4	Total to Date
Loose Collections	\$1,370.50	\$36,007.53
Regular Collections	\$37,712.25	\$950,043.76
Annual School Fund	\$10,153.50	\$304,514.37
Holy Days	\$30.00	\$50,833.52
Totals	\$49,266.25	\$1,341,399.18
Total Budget Goal	\$32,000.00	\$1,024,000.00
Difference	\$17,266.25	\$317,399.18

Diocesan Collections
Catholic Times: \$290.00 Seminarians: \$125.00
Latin America: \$180.00 Retired Dio. Priests: \$125.00
Retired Religious: \$125.00 Other: \$375.00

Haiti Sister Parish Collections
Collected \$2,120.00

Fr. Leo's column continued..

I think that I need to apologize to those who were present at the 11:00 a.m. Mass last Sunday. I had been preaching at all the Masses concerning our capital campaign entitled, "Upon this Rock." I had the notes of my talk written out and tried my best to follow them so that everyone heard the same from me. Apparently, however, at the 11:00 a.m. Mass I said that we had \$20 million dollars invested in the diocese that I would be happy to use for this campaign. Not sure if this were wishful thinking but my notes actually stated that we have \$2 million dollars from our stewardship savings that I would be happy to use. My apologies for any confusion that this might have presented. Some parishioners caught it and mentioned it to me. So I am clarifying so that everyone heard the same.

ON THE LIGHTER SIDE: As the weather is changing, perhaps we hear the golf course calling to us. Here are some chapters in a useful golf book:

1. How to properly line up your fourth putt.
2. How to hit a Nike from the rough when you hit a Titleist off the tee.
3. How to get more distance off the shank.
4. How to rationalize a six hour round.
5. How to find that ball that everyone else saw go in the water.
6. Why your wife doesn't care that you birdied the 5th-hole.
7. How to relax when you are hitting 5 off the tee.
8. Re-gripping your ball retriever.
9. How to let a foursome play through your twosome without getting embarrassed.

Magy. Leo J. Eulow

Parish in Action

After months of intensive preparation, we officially launched St. Peter's *Upon this Rock, The Campaign to Build in Faith at St. Peter* capital campaign. In the next week, every family in the parish community will receive a packet of information, which includes a financial request and instructions on how to invest in the future of St. Peter.

In advance of the mailing, I want to express several thoughts regarding this campaign and what is being asked of our families:

Invitation not Expectation
Every family will be asked to consider a specific commitment to the campaign. We have gone through an exhaustive process to determine an appropriate request for each family. That said, in some cases our request may be too high. In some cases, it may be too low. It is not an expectation. It is an invitation – and the starting point for your personal discernment. Ultimately, the parish will gratefully receive whatever gifts you may provide.

Reflect and Pray
In advance of the request, I ask that you spend some time reflecting on St. Peter, its future, and how you can help. Pray and ask the Lord for guidance. Give in a way that represents the blessings that God has bestowed upon you.

Shared Responsibility
Each of our parishioners and school families are responsible for and are invited to support this campaign. The obligation rests with the entire parish community to ensure this effort is a success. That means generosity and sacrifice – and not just monetarily. We need gifts of time, talent and prayer too.

The Campaign to Build in Faith at St. Peter

It's an exciting time for our parish and we want you to be a part of something that will mean so much to the future of St. Peter Catholic Church and School!

LENTEN REGULATIONS

ABSTINENCE - Everyone 14 years of age and over is bound to abstain from meat on Ash Wednesday and all the Fridays of Lent.

1. FAST - Everyone 18 years of age and under 59 is required to fast on Ash Wednesday and Good Friday.
2. On these two days of fast and abstinence, only one full meatless meal is permitted. Two other meatless meals, sufficient to maintain strength may be taken according to each person's needs, but together these two should not equal another full meal. Eating between meals is not permitted, but liquids (including milk and fruit juices) are allowed.
3. To disregard completely the law of fast and abstinence is seriously sinful.

February 2024

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

Throughout his pontificate, our Holy Father, Pope Francis, has often spoken of the need for Christians to evangelize others through accompaniment. Through listening patiently, building trust, and being mindful of others' dignity, we can help one another encounter Christ's merciful love, especially those who suffer from emotional wounds, loneliness, and doubt. For Central and Eastern Europeans living in countries that experienced 70 years of communist oppression, the Church especially needs to accompany people to an encounter with Christ that is patient, understanding, and filled with hope instead of fear, anger, and anxiety.

In Slovakia, the Alexis Counseling Center has accompanied nearly 2,500 women and their loved ones with devotion. Since 2010, the center has provided counseling to women experiencing the anxieties of an unplanned pregnancy or the grief of pregnancy loss, as well as to their partners, family members, and friends. In addition to promoting psychological healing, the center also helps vulnerable women who have experienced miscarriages and abortions to find housing, material and financial assistance, and support groups.

In Albania, lay people are preparing for lay ministries as catechists and extraordinary ministers of Communion through a three-year study program that provides in-depth knowledge of the Gospel, the Church, and sacraments, liturgy, and spirituality. This formation program equips participants to be active, faith-filled agents of evangelization and accompaniment to those who desire to know Christ and the Church.

Ministries of accompaniment such as these are made possible with grant monies raised through the Collection for the Church in Central and Eastern Europe. When you participate in the collection, you help the Church in Slovakia, Albania, and more than 25 other countries accompany people who still experience the hardships and wounds caused by communism. Your support for and promotion of the Collection for the Church in Central and Eastern Europe is crucial to the success of ministries that affirm the dignity of children, youth, and other vulnerable people and show them the love and mercy of Jesus.

For more information about the collection and who it supports, visit www.usccb.org/ccee. Thank you for your help to restore the Church and build the future in Central and Eastern Europe.

Sincerely yours in Christ,
† Thomas John Paprocki
Most Reverend Thomas John Paprocki, Bishop of Springfield in Illinois