



The Parish of St. Peter Quincy, IL

~Mass Intentions~

February 19-25, 2024

- 19. Monday 8:00 a.m.
Orville Lubbe
- 19. Monday 6:30 p.m.
Jeanne Wiatrowski
- 20. Tuesday 8:00 a.m.
Dr. John Nolan
- 20. Tuesday 6:30 p.m.
Daniella Kendrick
- 21. Wednesday 8:30 a.m.
Jacqueline Loos Taylor
- 21. Wednesday 6:30 p.m.
Robert Deters
- 22. Thursday 8:00 a.m.
Dan Frericks
- 22. Thursday 6:30 p.m.
Helen & Dan H. Barry
- 23. Friday 8:00 a.m.
Rebecca Postle Bliefnick
- 23. Friday 6:30 p.m.
Norma Johnson
- 24. Saturday 8:00 a.m.
Catherine Darlene Doyle
- 24. Saturday 5:00 p.m.
Don Vancil
- 25. Sunday 8:00 a.m.
Dan Frericks
- 25. Sunday 9:30 a.m.
Our Parish Family
- 25. Sunday 11:00 a.m.
Dave & Pat Stegeman

— 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.

First Sunday of Lent, February 18, 2024

Dear Parishioners,

This weekend we celebrate the First Sunday in our season of Lent. The gospel readings for this first Sunday are always concerning the temptations of Jesus. It is interesting to note that our particular gospel reading is from the gospel of Mark, very short but filled with deep meaning. With Mark's presentation, Jesus just had been baptized by John and according to the gospel, "the Spirit drove Jesus out into the desert, and He remained in the desert for forty days, tempted by Satan." From the account of His baptism, Jesus is the Holy one of God, but He is also the suffering Servant. In his baptism Jesus took upon Himself the sins of all humanity. And thus He is driven into the desert. Mark wants us to recall the Jewish celebration of Yom Kippur, during which all the sins of the Jewish community were placed upon a goat and that goat was "driven" into the desert. Jesus then becomes for all of us that "scapegoat" as He is driven into the desert with our sins upon Him. Even though the gospel is short, it is very rich with meaning for us as we look at our own sins this Lent, repent of them, and realize that Jesus suffered and died for us as the scapegoat for our sins.

I also want to remind you that we will be celebrating an additional Mass at 6:30 p.m., Monday through Friday during the season of Lent. Since prayer is so much a part of our Lenten practice, I would encourage our parishioners to celebrate the greatest prayer that we have which is our Eucharist. What a gift God gives to us in the Eucharist and I just invite you to take advantage of this gift by celebrating the Eucharist with us during Lent. Further, to assist us in our Lenten practices, we will also be celebrating the Sacrament of Reconciliation on Mondays, Wednesdays, and Fridays from 5:45-6:15 p.m. Don't wait until the last minute to return to the Lord sacramentally and feel His peace and forgiveness in your lives.

Next weekend, we begin our Lenten mission. During the Masses for that weekend, we will have the opportunity to hear Fr. Denis Robinson, the rector of St. Meinrad Seminary in Indiana, preaching on the Eucharist and how it relates to our Lenten season. Fr. Denis is an excellent preacher and we are privileged to have him join us for this mission. I encourage you to attend one of our Masses for this weekend. Then he will also be giving two additional talks to us with the same message. These talks will be on Sunday and Monday nights, Feb. 25th and 26th, at 6:30 p.m. in the Church. Then we will conclude our Lenten mission with a reception on Monday night immediately after the presentation. Come and join us and be inspired by Fr. Denis Robinson.

I was hoping that the Lenten books that I ordered would have arrived last weekend, as announced in the bulletin. But we didn't receive them until last Monday when we made them available. If there are any left they can be found in the narthex. They are entitled "Lent 2024" from Our Daily Visitor. As you are in the narthex, I ask you also to pick up and take home a "Rice Bowl" as a reminder to you of our Lenten practice called almsgiving. The rice bowls are reminders to us that people do go hungry each day and perhaps through the sacrifices that we make each day the money saved could be placed in these rice bowls for those who are in need of our care and our support. So please take home a rice bowl.

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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.

Welcome!

Please welcome to our parish family **Cody & Alyssa Hildebrand**, and their son **Nolan**.

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.

St. Veronica Guild

The St. Veronica Guild will meet **Thursday, February 22** in the Lower Level of the rectory at 1:00 p.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!

QND Job Openings

Quincy Notre Dame has the following full-time positions open for the 2024-25 school year:

- Social Studies Teacher
- Director of Enrollment Management
- Resource Teacher

To receive full consideration, submit a resume, cover letter and three letters of reference to QND Principal Mark McDowell, mmcdowell@quincynotredame.org, by Friday, March 1.

QND Coaching Openings

Quincy Notre Dame has the following **coaching** positions open for the 2024-25 school year:

- Girls Volleyball Head Coach
- Girls Tennis Head Coach

To receive full consideration, submit a resume and three references to QND Athletic Director Bill Connell at: bconnell@quincynotredame.org, by Friday, March 1.

SAVE THE DATE

LENTEN PARISH MISSION

FEBRUARY 24-26, 2024

- Begins during all Weekend Masses on 2/24 and 2/25
- Continues with Parish Mission Conferences on 2/25 and 2/26 at 6:30 p.m. in the Church
- A reception will follow on 2/26 in the Cafeteria
- Childcare available for children age 1 and older



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

Please keep the following in your prayers:

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



"A Time To Mourn...A Time to Heal" Bereavement Sessions
Thursdays from 4:00-6:00pm on Feb. 22, March 7, 14, 21
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.

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.

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.

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.

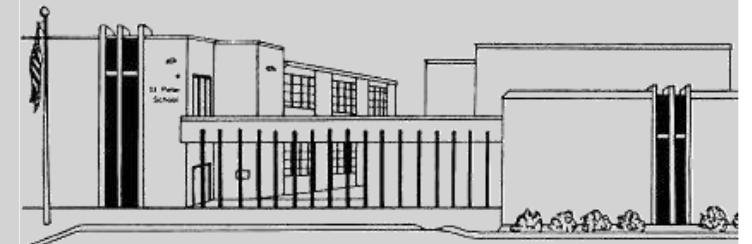
Fourth Day Renewal

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 info. Cost is \$55 per person. To learn more and to register online, go to: <https://www.quincycursillo.com/applications/fourth-day-renewal/>

St. Anthony & St. Dominic Fish Fries

St. Dominic School: 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.

The School of St. Peter



Week of February 18, 2024

A Message from Mrs. Cindy Venvertloh

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

CATHOLIC SCHOOLS WEEK BROUGHT ABOUT FAITH AND COMMUNITY TO OUR STUENTS AND FAMILIES



MENU

- Monday:** No School
- Tuesday:** Sausage pizza, peas, pudding, fruit.
- Wednesday:** Hot ham & cheese, emoji fries, corn, fruit.
- Thursday:** Breaded chicken on bun, curly fries, mixed vegetables, fruit.
- Friday:** Fish shapes, hash brown, baked beans, fruit.

THIS WEEK

- Mon., Feb. 19: **NO SCHOOL**—President's Day.
- Tues., Feb. 20: 7/8 grade field trip to Matilda.
- Wed. Feb. 21: **Children's Mass**—1st grade in charge of Mass; **8th grade** visit to QND.
- Thurs. Feb. 22: **Adoration**; Sr. **Clementia** visiting 3rd & 4th grade from the diocese.
- Fri., Feb. 23: **St. Polycarp Feast Day**—students in this house wear your house shirts and dress code bottoms.

Mark your calendars for **Kindergarten Round Up**
Thursday, March 14:
5:30-7:30 or
Friday, March 15:
12:30-2:30

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2500 Maine Street
Quincy, IL 62301
Phone: 217-223-1120
Website: www.stpeterschool.com
Email: c.venvertloh@cospq.org

Mark Your Calendar

Mon. Feb. 19: Mass 6:30 p.m., Church

Tues. Feb. 20: Ladies Bible Study 8:30 a.m., Martha Jane Room
Mass 6:30 p.m., Church
RCIA 7:00 p.m., Martha Jane Room

Wed. Feb. 21: Ladies Cursillo 1:30 p.m., Fr. Bauer Prayer Room
Mass 6:30 p.m., Church
PSR 6:30 p.m., School

Thurs. Feb. 22: St. Veronica's Guild 1:00 p.m., Lower Level Conf. Room
Mass 6:30 p.m., Church

Fri. Feb. 23: Mass 6:30 p.m., Church

Sat. Feb. 24:


Sun. Feb. 25: Parish Mission 6:30 p.m., Church

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.

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 Freicks at 217-316-6711.

Online Giving Now Available
Starting January 1, 2024, St. Peter has partnered with Pushpay to create an easy way to make online contributions to the Church, School, or Haiti. Please use QRCode or Pushpay link below to start your yearly giving. Any questions please contact the parish office.
<https://pushpay.com/g/stpeterquincy>



St Peter Church, Quincy IL
Church Fund - 8288
<https://pushpay.com/F/PolopEh12>

WEEKLY COLLECTION		
	February 11	Total to Date
Loose Collections	\$1,288.25	\$37,295.78
Regular Collections	\$40,979.25	\$991,023.01
Annual School Fund	\$3,846.00	\$308,360.37
Holy Days	\$0.00	\$50,833.52
Totals	\$46,113.50	\$1,387,512.68
Total Budget Goal	\$32,000.00	\$1,056,000.00
Difference	\$14,113.50	\$331,512.68

Diocesan Collections
Catholic Times: \$45.00
Eastern Europe: \$105.00

Haiti Sister Parish Collections
Collected \$380.00

Fr. Leo's column continued..

This Sunday, the First Sunday of Lent, we celebrate the Rite of Election for those people who have been a part of our RCIA process and who will be baptized at the Easter Vigil. This Rite of Election will take place at the Cathedral in Springfield with the Bishop presiding. In this Rite of Election, the Church makes its "election," that is the choice and admission of those catechumens who have the dispositions that make them fit to take part in the Sacraments of Initiation. But before we send them to this Rite of Election, we will enroll their names in our Book of the Elect, and then celebrate with them a ritual called the Rite of Sending. Those catechumens are the following: David Berry, Alyssa Hawkins, Kelly Hawkins, Steve Hawkins, Morgan Hinton, Roxanne Starman, and Victoria Starman. Please keep them in your prayers.

This weekend, I ask your prayers for the candidates and team members of the Women's Cursillo 366. May they experience God's many gifts during this weekend experience.

ON THE LIGHTER SIDE: The customer in the Italian restaurant was so pleased with his meal that he asked to speak to the chef. The owner proudly led him into the kitchen and introduced him to the chef.

"Your veal parmigiana was superb," the customer said. "I just spent a month in Italy, and yours is better than any I ever had over there."

"Naturally," the chef said. "Over there, they use domestic cheese. Ours is imported."

**Hopefully I don't have to explain this one to anyone.

Magr. Leo J. Enlow

Parish in Action

As we have launched the *Upon this Rock* campaign, we eagerly anticipate the response of our wonderful St. Peter community.

I would like to offer my thanks to our volunteers for their diligent work in getting us to this point. I also would like to thank you for your patience as we have worked hard to present the best, most-evaluated project and campaign possible. While there is much to celebrate, much work remains to be done.

In the coming weeks, volunteers will reach out individually to members of our parish. I ask that you please keep in mind the following:

Volunteers – Dual Donation | Our volunteers are just that – volunteers. They graciously agreed to donate their time and talent for the betterment of St. Peter Catholic Church and School. They are serving in this role because they believe in our parish and are passionate about its future. Please treat them with respect and thank them for helping St. Peter in this important capacity.


Personal Touch | I instructed our volunteers to personally meet with members of the St. Peter community. If you receive a call, I kindly ask that you:

- Take the call or return the message. Don't avoid talking to our volunteers. It makes their job more difficult and puts them in a position where they must keep calling in an attempt to reach you.
- Meet face-to-face. If you are asked to meet, please give our volunteers 15 minutes of your time. They are not trying to twist your arm. They just want to briefly explain the campaign goals, answer your questions and receive a decision about your participation.

When you receive your pledge card? Return It! | If you received a pledge card inside your packet of materials, you likely will not receive a call from a campaign volunteer. Please discern your involvement in the campaign, complete the card and return it in the envelope provided.

Your Gift Matters! | Remember, the letter you received from me includes a financial request. It is not an expectation. It is an invitation. I invite you to pray about this campaign and our parish. You may not be able to give what was asked. You may be able to give more than asked. Whatever your decision, please know that I deeply appreciate your commitment. It is a true blessing to our parish, and so are you!

Thank you for your cooperation, your consideration and your support of St. Peter Catholic Church and School! — Monsignor Leo Enlow



ST. PETER CHILI COOK OFF

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

SCAN QR CODE TO RSVP