



# The Parish of St. Peter Quincy, IL

## ~Mass Intentions~

February 5-11, 2024

- 5. Monday 8:00 a.m.  
Karen Wiewel
- 6. Tuesday 8:00 a.m.  
Mason Graves
- 7. Wednesday 8:30 a.m.  
Sherrie Craven
- 8. Thursday 8:00 a.m.  
Dale Tangy
- 9. Friday 8:00 a.m.  
Frank Poore
- 10. Saturday 8:00 a.m.  
Bradley Havermale
- 10. Saturday 5:00 p.m.  
Bill & Mary Brahler
- 11. Sunday 8:00 a.m.  
Jack Terford
- 11. Sunday 9:30 a.m.  
Our Parish Family
- 11. Sunday 11:00 a.m.  
Barbara Wolf

## — 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.

*Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time, February 4, 2024*

Dear Parishioners,

After an interesting month of January regarding the weather that we endured, we turn the page on that month and begin a new one. The good part of beginning this new month is that we are closer to Spring. And at this stage of the game with sickness that has afflicted many of us, the gloominess of the weather patterns, Spring can not come soon enough. So let us all live in anticipation of the thought of warmer weather and the sun shining brightly.

This weekend we celebrate the Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time. Our gospel finds Jesus facing a continual barrage of people seeking His time and His space. What He desired was a quiet place to pray, a time of solitude to be at one with His Father. Yet, people were continually around Him always looking for something, be it a healing, His words of wisdom, or His own desire to preach the gospel. And that Jesus would do. His life was truly lived for others. Prayer was important to Him but so were the people to whom He was sent to preach and teach. This is our Messiah, this is our Savior. And the beautiful part is that He has time for each of us. We need to take the time to be with Him in prayer.

This weekend we kick-off our capital campaign entitled “**Upon this Rock.**” Does the title of our campaign sound familiar to you? It should since anyone who knows much about St. Peter realize that God chose Peter, named him the Rock, and then would build His Church upon him. What a beautiful imagery of what we are trying to do in this capital campaign. I don’t know about you, but in undertaking this campaign, I was very much in need of a rock upon which I could depend to help this campaign be successful. And our patron saint is that very rock that will assist us in succeeding in all our endeavors. And so I place my confidence and trust in this rock of our faith as we do our best to continue to grow St. Peter Parish and School in this capital campaign.

As I look at our history, I am just amazed that our forefathers knew and understood the importance of a Church was for any community of believers. Soon after the importance of this place of worship would come a place of education where the faith was nurtured, challenged, and helped to grow. And so our St. Peter School would go hand in hand with the growth of our Church, as school was seen fulfilling the mission of our Church. It’s amazing that the St. Peter School that we have today was at one time both the Church on one level and the school on another level. Worship and education, praise and knowledge, all essential elements of a parish Church and School. And we continue to operate this same vision today. Ever since I have been pastor of St. Peter, we have tried to grow our parish and our school. This campaign continues that same growth as we finally commit ourselves to a self-contained school with a cafeteria attached, thus securing our buildings a little more. With this commitment, then it frees our current cafeteria to become a new parish center for the parish, allowing more space for meetings and other gatherings. This vision of a cafeteria and parish center has been the center of conversation for the many years that I have been pastor, hearing it quite often from parishioners. I am hoping and praying that the words that I have been hearing now become concrete in this new capital campaign.

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Next Meeting  
Catch Me If You Can  
February 4th  
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!  
February 4th  
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  
**Shirley Marold**  
 sing praises with the Angels in Heaven forever.

**Baptism**  
**Lincoln Clyde Kvittle**, son of **Jason & Courtney (Thomas) Kvittle**, was made a child of God through the reception of the sacrament of Baptism on Sunday, January 28, 2024.

**Coffee & Donuts and Blood Pressures This Sunday**  
 Please join us this Sunday, Feb. 4th after all Masses in the cafeteria for Coffee & Donuts and blood pressure screenings.

**Social Concerns Collection**  
 Social Concerns is collecting cereal, toilet paper, laundry detergent and dish soap this weekend, February 3-4 for the 1st Sunday collection for Quincy Catholic Charities. Containers will be located in the Narthex. Thank you!

**St. Veronica Guild**  
 The St. Veronica Guild will meet **Thursday, Feb. 8** 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!

**Thank You – Pennies for Life**  
 We collected \$979.20 during the Pennies for Life collection last weekend. Thank you! That is amazing! The money will help to pay for things like prolife sign boards and literature, prolife speakers, and transportation to the state and national March for Life events.

**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 or Lori: 618-509-1104.

Please keep the following in your prayers:

~Kristopher Schreacke	~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@cosppq.org.

**Welcome!**  
 Please welcome to our parish family **Teresa Killday!**

**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>


**Women's Cursillo #366**  
 Women's Cursillo # 366 will be held February 15-18 at the Franciscan Retreat Center in Quincy. Cost of the weekend is \$185.00 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 Emily, 217-242-8802 or go to [www.quincycursillo.com](http://www.quincycursillo.com) and click on "applications" to print one.

**Many Thanks!**  
 Thanks to you the Giving Wreath was a great success! The 850+ gifts to 8 different organizations produced much gratitude and smiles. Cornerstone is one of those organizations. They have shared some of the heartwarming experiences that came from your generosity...  
 We would like to thank the St. Peter Social Concerns Committee for the generous donations we were able to provide for our families at Christmas time.

One family who has no ties to the area and is just learning about community resources was overwhelmed by your generosity and stated, "I'm so happy that my baby has toys for Christmas."  
 A young family was so excited and surprised to receive gifts for Christmas and stated, "I can't believe that people who don't even know us are willing to give us gifts."  
 Another family had unexpected expenses when December arrived, and both parents work but were unable to purchase items for Christmas. Although they said, "it doesn't matter, they're young anyway, they won't know" we were able to provide them with gifts for their children as well as a gift card for the parents to get a good Christmas dinner.  
 A single mom who is awarded child support but does not receive it cried when we delivered her gifts to her and her two young children. She was overwhelmed by your generosity. (even if a parent is awarded child support but doesn't receive it, the amount will often push them over the limit for assistance, which is the case with her).

There are many many more stories like these. And we just wanted to share a few with you.  
 All these parents work as do many others who are enrolled in our program but barely make enough to survive. So, it was wonderful to share your generosity with them and provide hope and support during the holiday season.  
 St. Peter Social Concerns is very vital to our program with your assistance at Christmas and your ongoing support with the Covered Bottoms Diaper Bank. And we just wanted to thank you for all you do for those in the community!!!  
 Raquel, Kate, Jennifer, First Steps Team!!  
 Please know that your sacrifice in giving to others makes our community a better place!  
 May God Bless you 100-fold!  
 Sincerely,  
 Your Social Concerns Committee

# The School of St. Peter



Week of February 4, 2024  
**A Message from Mrs. Cindy Venvertloh**  
 "St. Peter School provides a quality education built on Catholic values and teachings."

## AGING OVERNIGHT



**Happy 100th Day of School!**  
 Kindergarten celebrated 100 day by dressing as if they were 100 years old! Throughout the day they participated in various activities. Each year the kindergarten students look forward to this special recognition of the 100th day of School.



## IT'S PRESCHOOL REGISTRATION TIME

We are excited that it is time to begin registering students for our preschool classes for the **2024-2025 school year**. St. Peter School is happy to offer a faith-based program specifically designed to help meet the spiritual, social, emotional, physical, and intellectual needs of the preschool age child. We strive to provide an atmosphere of love, concern, support, and acceptance while developing a positive self-concept. We want to instill in the child an attitude that learning is fun. A firsthand approach to a wide range of activities encourages the preschool child to explore, create, experiment, and learn the skills and concepts appropriate to their development level.  
 Please click on the link: <https://stpeterschool.com/wp-content/uploads/2024/01/preschool2425.pdf>  
 QR code to learn more and to complete the first steps towards possible enrollment.



**MENU**  
**Monday:** Chicken drummies, emoji fries, green beans, fruit.  
**Tuesday:** Nachos, black beans & corn, fruit.  
**Wednesday:** Sausage/egg biscuit, hash brown, veggie juice, fruit.  
**Thursday:** BBQ rib on bun, curly fries, peas, fruit.  
**Friday:** Chicken quesadilla pizza, salsa, carrots, fruit.

### THIS WEEK

Mon., Feb. 5: **7th grade visit QND for Will About QND.**  
 Tues., Feb. 6:  
 Wed., Feb. 7: **Children's HOUSE Mass**—2nd grade in charge of Mass—students wear their house t-shirts or colors with dress code bottoms.  
 Thurs., Feb. 8: **Adoration**  
 Fri., Feb. 9: **Mother/Son event 6:30-8:30**—Don't miss out on this great evening!

### 2nd Annual Mardi Gras with The Gentlemen

Year one was so much fun, we decided to do it again! Join The Gentlemen to celebrate Mardi Gras at Dick Brothers Brewery on Saturday, Feb. 10 from 7-11 pm. Tickets are \$20 in advance and \$25 at the door. Proceeds benefit the QCES Foundation. Tickets are available at [ticketstripe.com/MardisGras24](http://ticketstripe.com/MardisGras24)

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**Mark Your Calendar**

- Mon. Feb. 5:**
- Tues. Feb. 6:** Ladies Bible Study 8:30 a.m., Martha Jane Room  
RCIA 7:00 p.m., Martha Jane Room
- Wed. Feb. 7:** Ladies Cursillo 1:30 p.m., Fr. Bauer Prayer Room  
2nd Grade Sacramental Meeting 6:30 p.m., Cafeteria  
PSR 6:30 p.m., School
- Thurs. Feb. 8:** St. Veronica's Guild 8:30 a.m., Lower Level Conf. Room
- Fri. Feb. 9:**
- Sat. Feb. 10:**
- Sun. Feb. 11:**

**Fr. Leo's column continued..**

But I have to be honest with you. I am very anxious about this project and if I am totally honest I am a bit fearful of undertaking it. But as I said, this campaign was the result of what parishioners have told me about a need in both our school and our parish. We have been great stewards of our treasures, and have reflected our thankfulness to God for His gifts with the generous support to our parish and school. I only hope that you will continue to be those stewards for we are undertaking some capital improvements which will continue to advance St. Peter Parish and School. May the rock whose name we reflect be with us to guide and direct us in our efforts.

After our Mass today, I invite you to the cafeteria of our school, downstairs of our Church, to view some architectural renderings which will give you a model of what our capital improvements are. There will be people downstairs to answer any questions. So please join us for snacks after the 5:00 p.m. Mass and coffee and donuts after the Masses on Sunday.

**ON THE LIGHTER SIDE:** A husband and wife were having a heated argument. This is how the conversation went:  
 Husband: "When I get mad at you, you never fight back. How do you control your anger?"  
 Wife: "I clean the toilet."  
 Husband: "How does that help?"  
 Wife: "I use your toothbrush."

*Magi. Leo J. Eulow*

**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.

**Addiction Issues?**

Is someone you love struggling with addiction issues? Please consider joining us to discuss how the church can be a resource for those who are affected by addiction. We will be exploring the issue through reading a short book "The Road to Hope" by Keaton Douglas. This book examines how the i-THIRST initiative, a comprehensive, faith-based approach to education, is transforming the way the Catholic Church understands and responds to persons struggling with addiction. For more information, contact Carol Frericks 217-316-6711.

**40 Days for Life**

The 40 Days for Life Campaign begins on Ash Wednesday, February 14<sup>th</sup>. 40 Days for Life is a national peaceful prayer outreach. We are asked to increase our prayers and abstaining/ fasting to seek an end to abortion. And to keep the abortion industry's centers, mobile units and drugs from coming into Quincy and the surrounding Adams County.

**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/g/stpeterquincy>

**WEEKLY COLLECTION**

	January 28	Total to Date
Loose Collections	\$1,526.33	\$34,637.03
Regular Collections	\$23,652.25	\$912,331.51
Annual School Fund	\$3,146.00	\$294,360.87
Holy Days	\$45.00	\$50,803.52
Totals	\$28,369.58	\$1,292,132.93
Total Budget Goal	\$32,000.00	\$992,000.00
Difference	(\$3,630.42)	\$300,132.93

**Diocesan Collections**

Catholic Times: \$195.00  
Latin America: \$1,413.00

**Haiti Sister Parish Collections**

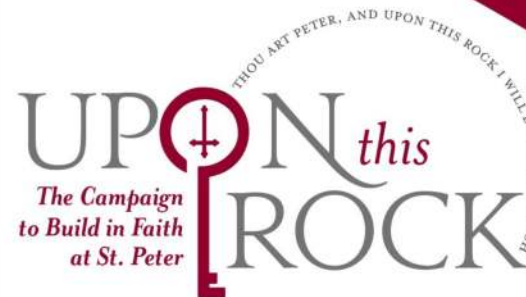
Collected \$210.00

**Parish in Action**

**WE ARE OFFICIALLY LAUNCHING THE UPON THIS ROCK, the Campaign to Build in Faith at St. Peter Capital Campaign!**

Please join us after Masses in the cafeteria for refreshments and the unveiling of the architect's conceptual renderings for the building projects! Campaign committee members and leadership will be on-hand to answer questions.

Spend a few minutes with friends and fellow parishioners...learn about the projects, the campaign and the future of St. Peter!



**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

