



The Parish of St. Peter Quincy, IL

Sixth Sunday of Easter, May 5, 2024

~*Mass Intentions*~

May 6-12, 2024

- 6. **Monday 8:00 a.m.**
Luke Mayfield
- 7. **Tuesday 8:00 a.m.**
Daniella Kendrick
- 8. **Wednesday 8:30 a.m.**
Becky Bliefnick
- 9. **Thursday 8:00 a.m.**
Dale Tangy
- 10. **Friday 8:00 a.m.**
Robert & Mildred Simms
- 11. **Saturday 8:00 a.m.**
T.J. Lavery
- 11. **Saturday 5:00 p.m.**
Bill & Mary Brahler
- 12. **Sunday 8:00 a.m.**
Priscilla Morrison
- 12. **Sunday 9:30 a.m.**
Mae Jackson
- 12. **Sunday 11:00 a.m.**
Our Parish Family

— *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.

Dear Parishioners,

What a joy! The month of May has arrived. It is a month of exams; it is a month of graduations; it is a month of baseball and other sporting activities; and it is a month that we anticipate school closings and summer vacations. But in the meantime, let's just enjoy this time that God has given to us this May, 2024.

One of the qualities that God desires that we have is one of joy. In our gospel, Jesus tells us "I have told you this so that my joy may be in you and your joy might be complete." After reading such a statement, we might wonder how do we get that "joy?" He tells us in that same gospel, we will receive that joy when we remain in His love, always keeping His commandments. We receive that joy when we love one another as Jesus loves us. We open ourselves up to that joy when we remain friends with Jesus, doing what He commands us as friends. In other words, the joy that God desires for us comes from the realization that God has chosen us and appointed us "to go and bear fruit." In other words, our lives must reflect that we are right with God and when we do, we discover His joy for all of us. Let's open ourselves to God's grace and always strive to be right with Him and our joy will be complete.

This Thursday, May 9th, Quincy Notre Dame High School will be celebrating their Baccalaureate Mass for their seniors at Blessed Sacrament Church at 7:00 p.m. Please pray for our young people as they begin a new phase in their lives, having been well prepared to continue the journey, as being chosen by God to go forth and to bear fruit. May God fill them with His joy as we congratulate them.

For those who were not present last weekend, Fr. Zach Samples announced to the parish that he will be leaving us to begin a new assignment as parochial vicar of St. Agnes Church, Springfield, Chaplain of Sacred Heart Griffin High School, Springfield, and as Associate Vocation Director for the Springfield Deanery. We wish him the best and thank him for his two years of service to our parish. Also, in the announcements from the Bishop, you will find that I have concluded my appointment as Dean of the Quincy Deanery while retaining my duties as pastor of St. Peter and Chaplain at QND. After many years as Dean, I asked that I be relieved and let a new face fulfill this role. In place of Fr. Zach, Fr. Paul L. Lesupti is appointed parochial vicar of St. Peter Parish, and Associate Chaplain of Quincy Notre Dame. He has been serving the Cathedral in Springfield as a parochial vicar since his ordination two years ago with Fr. Zach. Please welcome him with open minds and hearts as he begins his service with us on the 1st day of July, 2024.

As of last weekend, we are beginning to wrap up the active fund-raising phase of the **Upon this Rock** campaign. I want to thank all of our parishioners and school families for their support. We had our Commitment weekend last weekend and some of parishioners responded with pledges and/or donations. We are still hovering around the 25% participation rate of parishioners participating. If some of you have not filled out your pledge cards, please do so. There is still time and a matching pledge awaits us if 500 families would only respond. Thank you!

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Next Meeting

TBD

6:30 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.

Location To Be Determined

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



Saints Alive!
Start Again This Fall
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 souls of
Lorna Shade & Mark Schell
sing praises with the Angels in Heaven forever.

Social Concerns Collection

Social Concerns is collecting hamburger helper, pasta & pasta sauce with meat, canned fruit and cereal this weekend, May 4-5 for the 1st Sunday collection for the Ladies of Charity. Containers will be located in the Narthex. Thank you!

Coffee & Donuts and Book Fair This Sunday

Please join us this Sunday, May 5th, after all Masses in the cafeteria for Coffee & Donuts and the Book Fair.

**HIRING AFTERNOON DAY CARE HELPERS
for the 2024-2025 School Year**

St. Peter School is hiring adult daycare workers (18 or older) to supervise students varying from Kindergarten-8th grade for the St. Peter School after school program from 2:15-5:30 Monday-Friday during the 2024-2025 school year. 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. Loretta Goehl at 2500 Maine Street, Quincy, IL 62301 or tomnrets71@comcast.net. You may also contact Mrs. Loretta Goehl, Daycare Director at 217-779-1429.

QCES Foundation Job Opening

The Quincy Catholic Elementary Schools Foundation seeks a Part-time Bookkeeper/Office Assistant to join our team. This role primarily involves managing all bookkeeping functions of the organization in QuickBooks. Training will be provided. Additionally, the position will provide clerical support, assist with special events, and undertake other duties based on the candidate's experience. This is an hourly position of approximately 6 hours/week. For a more detailed job description, visit bit.ly/QCESFoundationJob

St. Francis Women's Saints Study

Women of all ages: Join us Tuesday, May 7 at 7:00pm in the St. Francis Parish Hall for our monthly Women's Saints Study. Featured this month is Blessed Anne Catherine Emmerich presented by Ginny Fuentes. Bring a friend! Women's Saints Study is open to all parishes. For more information, contact Karen Weiman (217-242-5513) or Kelli Lunt (217-617-1566)

Please keep the following in your prayers:

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| ~Kristopher Schrecke | ~Elias Erd | |
| ~Mario Camacho | ~Amy Seibert | |
| ~Hunter Hildebrand | ~Isabella Benner | |
| ~Diane Wagner | ~Dan Dailing | ~Mary Lavery |
| ~Alden & Joyce Shipp | ~Ken Althoff | ~Jay Grawe |
| ~Joan Wilson | ~Donna Schutte | ~Jo Buckley |
| ~Maria (Eberhardt) Sparrow | | ~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.



The Mega Raffle is Back!

It could be YOUR year to win MEGA MONEY! The "Everybody Wins" Mega Raffle is in its 13th year and tickets are on sale now. Only 4,000 tickets will be sold. Tickets must be turned in by May 3 to be eligible for the Early Bird drawing of \$25,000 on May 17. The \$100,000, \$25,000, \$15,000, and 37 more cash prizes will be drawn on May 31. Proceeds benefit the QCES Foundation, QND Foundation, and Quincy's five Catholic Schools. More info., including how to get your tickets, at QuincyMegaRaffle.org.

PSR Closing Mass

Parish School of Religion is at the end of the school year. Please join us for the Closing Mass on May 15 at 6:30 PM in the church. All are welcome to attend. Parents, siblings, friends, parishioners. We would love to have you there and we are looking forward to next year.

Adoration Chapel Open Hours

Did you know that the Adoration Chapel has been a vital part of Quincy located at the St Peters Campus since Oct 1987. We are trying to get the chapel open again 24/7 but WE NEED YOU.

Are you looking for an uninterrupted quiet hour alone with the Lord once a month or every week? Doesn't everyone need an hour with the Lord? We need you and are asking for your assistance in getting the hours below filled!

OPEN Hours that are available are:
 Wed 1 am, 2 am, 3 am, Noon
 Thurs Midnight (week 2), 1 am (weeks 2,4,5)
 Fri 1 am, 2 pm (weeks 1,2)
 Sat Midnight (week 1), 1 am, 2 am, 11 am (weeks 2,3,4)

Please consider an hour in the Adoration Chapel. Contact Mary at 217 653 3127 or Gina at 217 257 9966.

The Franciscan Friars' Dinner

Mark your calendars! The Franciscan Friars' Dinner will be on Tuesday, May 21, 2024, 6 pm - 9 pm, at the Quincy Elks Lodge. With this event, we will celebrate and continue to support our beloved Franciscans who have been part of our lives over the past 165 years as pastors, teachers, chaplains and retreat directors. Tickets are \$45 and a silent auction will be held. Ticket reservations must be received by May 14. For more information and to make reservations, please contact Brother Ed, OFM at 815-409-8705.

St. Dominic Junefest

Junefest will be Saturday, June 1, 5pm-midnight at St. Dominic School, 4100 Columbus Road! There will be Mass at 4 pm in St. Dominic School gym. (No 4 or 6:30 p.m. Mass at St. Anthony on June 1 but there will be a 6:30 p.m. Mass on Sunday June 2 at St. Anthony). The band will be *Raised on Radio and* will be playing 7:30-11:30 p.m. There will be food, drinks, games, entertainment, youth talent performances, bingo, kiddieland, raffle, basket raffle, and silent auction. Come out and join the fun.

St. Francis Parish Picnic

St. Francis Solanus Parish will hold its annual Parish Picnic on Saturday June 8, 5:00 p.m. to Midnight. The picnic will host a variety of food and beverages, live music, cash raffle, silent auction, basket raffle, dunk tank, kids' games, train ride, bounce houses and more. The Heidelberg Band will play from 5:30-7:30 p.m. and Eleven will take the stage from 7:30 p.m.-11:30p.m. We hope to see you there!

The School of St. Peter



Week of May 5, 2024

A Message from Mrs. Cindy Venvertloh

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



CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR ST. PETER STUDENTS
 First COMMUNION AND CONFIRMATION



On April 6, 2024 the students from St. Peter traveled to the Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception in Springfield, IL to receive the sacrament of First Communion and Confirmation. Congratulations to Parker A., Hudson A., Vivian B., Samuel B., Maxwell B., Duke B., Bryson B., Lexi C., Sawyer C., Quinton C., Joseph D., Joel D., Andrew D., Lauren E., Natalie F., Alejandra G., Jace G., Jayden G., Charles G., Madelyn H., Elijah H., Zoey H., Caleb H., Wade J., Benjamin K., Michael K., Gunnar L., Benjamin M., Dexton M., Landon M., Eleanor N., Hugh N., Rory O., Lynus P., Olivia Q., Dominic R., Caroline R., Jackson R., Leia R., Myah S., Samson S., Josephine S., Harrison S., Carolyn S., Madison T., Ava T., Nathan T., Blake U., Annabeth V., Jace V., Beckett W., Rhys W., Ryker W., Gracie W., and Anderson Z. Also pictured above is Mrs. Gina Bergman, Deacon Bob Lundberg, Fr. Leo Enlow, Bishop Paprocki, Fr. Zach Samples, Mrs. Sandy Gallaher, and Mrs. Pam Hagerbaumer.

SCHOOL MENU

- Monday:** Ravioli, marinara, peas, fruit.
- Tuesday:** Chicken chunks, hash brown, mixed vegetables, fruit.
- Wednesday:** Nachos, corn/black beans, salsa, fruit.
- Thursday:** Hamburger, emoji fries, baked beans, fruit.
- Friday:** Ham & cheese wrap, chips, carrots, fruit.

THIS WEEK

**STAFF APPRECIATION WEEK
 ALL WEEK**

Monday, May 6:

Tuesday, May 7: HOUSE Scavenger Hunt—students wear house t-shirts with out of dress code bottoms; Preschool 4's field trip to QU.

Wednesday, May 8: **Children's Mass**—8th grade leading; 7th grade Parent Washington, DC meeting at 6 pm in the cafeteria.

Thursday, May 9:

Friday, May 10: **Spirit Day**—wear your Spirit Day shirt with out of dress code bottoms if you bring in 25 cents for Haiti; MAP Testing Celebration—students can bring their flipflops, beach towels and a hat for our 1:00 celebration.

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Mark Your Calendar

Mon. May 6:

Tues. May 7:

Wed. May 8: Ladies Cursillo 1:30 p.m., Fr. Bauer Prayer Room
PSR 6:30 p.m., School

Thurs. May 9: St. Veronica's Guild 8:30 a.m., Lower Level Conf. Room

Fri. May 10:

Sat. May 11:

Sun. May 12:

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.

Check Out Our Library in the Narthex.
Do you have questions about the Catholic faith? Looking for books about the saints? Have you read the Catechism? We have lots of books, CDs and pamphlets for you! Take a book, read it and return it when you're done. Help yourself to the pamphlets as well.

Bracelet Found after Easter Vigil
A bracelet was found in the parking lot after the Easter Vigil Mass. Please call or text 217-316-6564 to identify the bracelet.

QMG FREE Sports Physicals
Wednesday, May 22 / Tuesday, July 23: 5:30 - 8:00pm
Appt. required. 217-222-6550 x3282 to schedule. No immunizations for 6th and 9th grade. More info at www.quincymedgroup.com/sports

Online Giving Now Available
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
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WEEKLY COLLECTION		
	April 28	Total to Date
Loose Collections	\$949.34	\$52,704.57
Regular Collections	\$24,130.25	\$1,333,705.68
Annual School Fund	\$5,886.00	\$382,324.87
Holy Days	\$20.00	\$68,018.77
Totals	\$30,985.59	\$1,836,753.89
Total Budget Goal	\$32,000.00	\$1,408,000.00
Difference	(\$1,014.41)	\$428,753.89

Diocesan Collections
Catholic Home Mission: \$950.00
Catholic Charities: \$20.00 Retired Dio. Priests: \$20.00
Catholic Cemeteries: \$220.00

Haiti Sister Parish Collections
Collected \$765.00

Fr. Leo's column continued..

Continuing on my theme for this campaign, we have raised \$6,219,173 towards our total goal. As I said, there is what I call a participating challenge by a donor who has pledged another \$150,000 if we have 500 parishioners participating in this campaign. As of last weekend, we have 440. Will you help us? We need 60 more parish families. And lastly, I ask for all of you to pray for this project. It will be a tremendous asset to our campus here at St. Peter Church, providing a secure cafeteria, a renovated parish center, and much needed classroom space.

As we look ahead, 8th grade graduation for St. Peter School will be Tuesday, May 14th, at 6:00 p.m. in the Church. Our closing Mass for our PSR students is Wednesday, May 15th, at 6:30 p.m.

ON THE LIGHTER SIDE: In his Easter sermon, a young parochial vicar was addressing a youth group. "People waste many thousands of dollars on ornate coffins, fancy mausoleums, and monuments to their dead bodies," he said. "Jesus was so unconcerned about death that He had to use a borrowed tomb."

A voice in the back of the room said, "Father, He only needed it for three days."

A Sunday school teacher asked her class to draw a picture of their favorite Bible story. She was puzzled by one drawing—it showed four people on an airplane! Teacher: "What Bible story is that?" Child: "It's the flight into Egypt. Teacher: "I see.. And that must be Mary, Joseph, and Baby Jesus...but whose the fourth?" Child: "Oh, that's Pontius, the Pilot."
Magy. Leo J. Eulow

Parish in Action

**ST. PETER
KICKOFF TO
SUMMER**

**BLOCK
PARTY**

SATURDAY, MAY 18 • 6 - 9 P.M.
ON THE ST. PETER CAMPUS BEHIND SETON HALL



- BULL TRUCK
- BIG BROS BBQ
- TACOS TEQUILLA MEXICAN GRILL
- SUGAR ADDICTS MINI DONUTS
- COOKIES 2 GO
- TRI STATE SNO BIZ

Kick off summer with our 3rd annual BLOCK PARTY! Dust off your lawn chairs and pack your coolers for an epic evening of fun. After the 5 p.m. mass, families can purchase dinner or dessert from one of the food trucks while listening to live music and participating in family games and activities!



LIVE MUSIC



SCAN QR CODE TO RSVP



Need More Info? or to phone in RSVP, Call 217.214.0187

May 2024

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,
This May, our diocese will take up a collection for the Catholic Communication Campaign (CCC). Please prayerfully consider supporting the collection this year. Fifty percent of collected funds stay in the Diocese of Springfield in Illinois and the other 50 percent support communications projects in the United States and around the world.

Through Catholic Times, social media, podcasting, and other digital methods, our diocese is taking advantage of several communication outlets to spread the news of our diocese, teach the faith, and provide hope and encouragement to people no matter where they are in their faith life.

Followers on the diocesan social media channels continue to grow. Our channels have far more followers than most dioceses our size, and several that are two to three times as big as our diocese. For example, our Facebook page has neared 11,000 followers (we had about 3,000 followers five years ago).

In 2020, our YouTube channel had under 500 subscribers. Today, it is approaching 5,000 subscribers. This shows that the content our Curia team is producing is engaging, inspirational, and educational, and people want to consume it because it is helping them.

For example, a search on YouTube for "How to go to Confession," has a video from our diocese in the top five for answering that question, with more than 145,000 views. Dive Deep, the official podcast of the Diocese of Springfield in Illinois, has listeners all over the world, and recently was endorsed by EWTN which placed Dive Deep on their podcast central webpage. God is Alive, a documentary produced by our Communications team, was featured in several national media outlets this past year.

With your generosity, we can continue creating engaging content and bringing people closer to our faith or even back to our faith.

Parishioners can donate online at parishgiving.dio.org/secondcollections or use their second collection envelope. You can also mail your donation to your parish office. For more information about the collection and the projects it supports, visit www.usccb.org/ccc. Thank you. Sincerely yours in Christ,

+ Thomas John Paprocki

Most Reverend Thomas John Paprocki,
Bishop of Springfield in Illinois