



The Parish of St. Peter Quincy, IL

~Mass Intentions~

February 3-9, 2025

- 3. Monday 8:00 a.m.
Leo & Marjorie Enlow
- 4. Tuesday 8:00 a.m.
Dan Barry
- 5. Wednesday 8:30 a.m.
Paul Poore
- 6. Thursday 8:00 a.m.
Dale Tangy
- 7. Friday 8:00 a.m.
Ann Anderson
- 8. Saturday 8:00 a.m.
Leo L. Bauer
- 8. Saturday 5:00 p.m.
Our Parish Family
- 9. Sunday 8:00 a.m.
Robert & Joanne
Schlepphorst
- 9. Sunday 9:30 a.m.
Marty Peters
- 9. Sunday 11:00 a.m.
Bradley Havermale

— 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.

The Presentation of the Lord Feast, February 2, 2025

Dear Parishioners,

After celebrating several weeks of Ordinary Time, the Church takes a break in this time to celebrate a Feast, namely, the Presentation of the Lord in the Temple. This particular feast is celebrated 40 days after Christmas. The reason for this celebration is that according to Jewish law, the parents of a Jewish child were to present their child in the Temple offering in sacrifice a pair of turtledoves or two young pigeons. According to the law of Moses, every child was to be consecrated to the Lord and by offering this sacrifice, the parents then were able to redeem their child and then take the child home to be raised by them. If you remember the last plague before the Exodus, the first born males of both man and animal died unless they were redeemed by the blood of the lamb over the homes of the Jewish family. And so today, 40 days after Christmas (remember the Exodus of 40 years) was very significant as it challenged parents to remember that their child was consecrated to God and through this sacrifice it was not their responsibility to remind them that this life truly belonged to God.

In this time in the Temple, they met up with a man named Simeon, “a righteous and devout man, awaiting the consolation of Israel.” He ends up blessing the child and proclaiming how this child would be a “revelation to the Gentiles and the glory for your people Israel.” No words would be more fulfilled than his. But then he also said something to Mary that she didn’t understand but would in time reflect in her life, when he said, “that Jesus is destined for the fall and rise of many in Israel, and was to be a sign that would be contracted”—and then looking to Mary he would say, “and you yourself a sword will pierce so that the thoughts of many would be revealed.” This sword would be known today as Mary’s seven sorrows. These include the following: the prophecy of Simeon; the flight into Egypt; the loss of the boy Jesus in the Temple; meeting Jesus on the way of the cross; the crucifixion of Jesus; the taking down of Jesus from the cross; and the burial of Jesus. These seven sorrows reflect the sorrows of a Mother who endured so much without understanding any of them. It was only after the resurrection that her sorrows turned to joy. And so to all our mothers, we offer Mary as their patron and ask her help to assist them in the sorrows that often occur in their role as mothers. Our Lady of Sorrows, pray for us now and always.

This weekend also begins our new month of February. Fortunately, this month only has 28 days, with the thoughts of winter coming to an end and the thoughts of Spring beginning to arise in our wishes. Be patient, Spring is right around the corner.

Our meeting with the Commission of Buildings and Property in Springfield last Thursday went very well. We received their tentative approval but still have to continue to dot our i’s and cross our t’s as we follow the directions of the diocese. Needless to say, they were impressed with our plans and our representatives from Klingner and Associates made quite a showing. I was very proud of their presentation as each of you would have been. Now we have to continue to honor our pledges and continue our fund-raising so that the financial burden of our plans will be met. Thank you again for all who participated. Be proud!

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Next Meeting
Sunday, February 2nd
6:30 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.

Meet in the Martha Jane Room

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



Saints Alive!
February 12th
3:00-4:30 p.m.

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 the fun! Please check Facebook for updates.

Social Concerns Collection
 Social Concerns is collecting toilet paper, laundry detergent, dish soap, cereal and canned fruit this weekend, Feb. 1-2 for the 1st Sunday collection for Quincy Catholic Charities. Containers are located in the Narthex. Thank you!

Coffee & Donuts and Blood Pressures This Sunday
 Please join us this Sunday, Feb. 2nd, after all Masses in the cafeteria for Coffee & Donuts and blood pressure screenings.

Pennies for Life
 We will be collecting Pennies for Life after all Masses on February 8th & 9th. The pennies/money collected goes to Right to Life of Adams County. Please consider donating to help support our community.

New Contribution Envelope Company
 We are working with a new contribution envelope company. If you currently receive contribution envelopes, you should have received the new January & February envelopes. You will notice the envelopes look different.
 If you have not received them, please call the parish office at 217-222-3155 or email church@cospq.org.

Preschool Open Houses
 Looking for the perfect preschool for the 2025-2026 school year? Our four Catholic elementary schools offer faith-based programs to fit every child's unique needs. Open houses are coming up! Bring your family to learn more about our incredible programs.
 St. Francis, Feb. 3, 5-6:30 pm
 Blessed Sacrament, Feb. 6, 6-7 pm
 St. Dominic, Feb. 6, 6-7 pm
 St. Peter, Feb. 13, 6-7 pm

Theology on Tap
 Four Desires of the Human: Join Father Dominic Rankin at Theology on Tap the Fuzzy Bubbler - 111 Jail Alley - on Feb. 4th as he discusses the four hs of the human heart (hunger, hope, happiness, and heaven) and how they can lead us to the Kingdom of God. Drinks begin at 6:00pm, talk begins at 6:35pm.

St. Edward Annual Whole Hog Sausage & Pancake Day
 St. Edward Church, Mendon, Annual Whole Hog Sausage and Pancake Day with biscuits and gravy. Sunday, February 9 from 7:30 a.m.-12 p.m. Adults \$12; 10 and under \$6 To place a meat order by February 5 call Lindsey at 430-7437 or stedwardsmeatorders@gmail.com.

Please keep the following in your prayers:

~Kristopher Schrecke	~Elias Erd	
~Isabella Benner	~Amy Seibert	
~Hunter Hildebrand	~Terri May	~Jo Buckley
~Kathy Schuckman	~Mary Lavery	~Nancy Bohan
~Joyce Shipp	~Ken Althoff	~Julie Eftink
~Donna Schutte	~John & Barb Meyer	~Bill Morrison
~Cheryl Liesen	~Tom Schutte	~Roger Voorhis
~Sarah Sturhahn Stegeman	~Maria (Eberhardt) Sparrow	
~John Douglas Holford	~Bonnie Haubrich	~Anonymous
~Ian Mehaffy	~Dave & Bryce Shank	~Anonymous
~Drake Willing	~Valerie Fox Orbal	
~Liem Thanh Mai	~Emmett Hertle	~Winnie Vogel

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

Quincy Catholic School Chess Tournament
 St. Peter is holding a Chess Tournament for all Catholic grade school students on February 22 in the cafeteria. Registration at 8:00am, games begin at 8:30am. Children in K-8th grade are eligible to play in the tournament regardless if they came to Chess Club meetings or not. Games will be divided into different age groups depending upon the amount of students that sign up. Tournery should conclude by 12:30pm. Cost is \$7 per child. You must register by February 19.
 Contact Chris Gill for more information at 573-719-9331 or at fishgills1208@gmail.com.

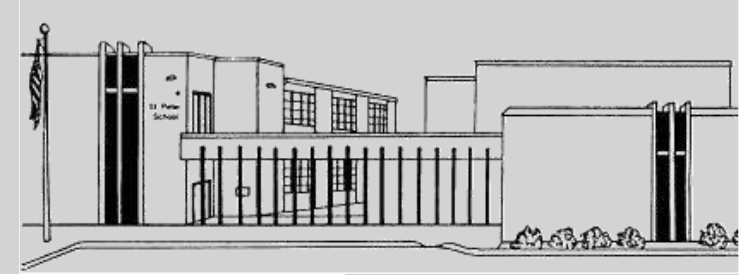
Job Opening at St. Peter School Part-time Cafeteria Manager
 The Cafeteria Manager will be responsible for reporting and providing State approved meals for the school lunch program. Other duties included but are not limited to cooking, managing employee schedules, and maintaining a clean, safe, and welcoming environment for staff and students. Starting wage is \$16 per hour with state required paid time off.

EMHC Training
 We will be offering Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion (EMHC) training on March 29th at 9:30am in the church. If you are interested and plan to attend, please contact Gina Bergman at g.bergman@cospq.org or text 217-430-6080.

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!
 Wed: 2 am, 3 am, 8pm (week 2,4,5)
 Thurs: Midnight (week 2,4,5), 1 am (weeks 2,4,5)
 Fri: 1 am
 Sat: 1 am, 2 am
 Please consider an hour in the Adoration Chapel. Contact Mary at 217-653-3127 or Jean Anne at 217-430-6967.

QND Job Openings
 Quincy Notre Dame High School is seeking qualified candidates for the following positions for the 2025-26 school year:
Full-Time Spanish Teacher - Qualified candidates should submit a cover letter, resume and three letters of reference by Friday, February 14, to QND Principal Mark McDowell at mmcdowell@qndhs.org. Compensation for full-time teaching staff is based on years of experience and education ranging from \$35,000 - \$65,000. More specific information will be provided upon request.
Full-Time Administrative Assistant - Qualified candidates should submit a cover letter, resume and three letters of reference by Friday, February 14, to QND Principal Mark McDowell at mmcdowell@qndhs.org. Compensation is based on skill set and related experience ranging from \$15 - \$20 per hour. More specific information will be provided upon request.

The School of St. Peter



Week of February 2, 2025
A Message from Mrs. Cindy Venvertloh
 "St. Peter School provides a quality education built on Catholic values and teachings."



The St. Peter School Kindergarten students celebrated the 100th day of school by dressing as if they were 100 years old. They always enjoy this special day by participating in several activities. We have some great looking 100 year olds at our school!



Once again the Father Daughter Dance was a huge success! We are so grateful to everyone who could attend. This event is loved by all. It is such a great opportunity to create the best memories for dads and daughters!

THREE TEACHER OPENINGS FOR THE 2025-2026 SCHOOL YEAR
 Grade 3, 4 and 6th Positions
 If you are interested in becoming part of our amazing teaching staff for the 25/26 school year, please send a cover letter, resume and 3 letters of recommendation to c.venvertloh@cospq.org or mail attention to Cindy Venvertloh, 2500 Maine Street, Quincy, IL. Applicants must have an Illinois teaching license.

SCHOOL MENU
Monday: Hot dog on bun, emoji fries, green beans, fruit.
Tuesday: Sausage/egg biscuit, hash brown, veggie juice, fruit.
Wednesday: Nachos, corn/black beans, salsa, fruit.
Thursday: BBQ rib on bun, potato rings, baked beans, fruit.
Friday: Pepperoni pizza, carrots, yogurt, fruit.

EVENTS FOR THE WEEK
 ACRE testing begins with grades 5 & 8.
 Monday, Feb. 3: **School Advisory Board Meeting** at 5:30 p.m.
 Tuesday, Feb. 4: **Chess Club** 6:30.
 Wednesday, Feb. 5: **8:30 Children's Mass**—6th grade.
 Thursday, Feb. 6: **Adoration**
 Friday, Feb. 7: **Quarter 3 mid-term; HOUSE Lunch**—Students wear HOUSE shirts with dress code bottoms.

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Mark Your Calendar

Mon. Feb. 3:

Tues. Feb. 4: Tuesday Ladies Bible Study 8:30 a.m., Martha Jane Room
OCIA 7:00 p.m., Martha Jane Room

Wed. Feb. 5: Ladies Cursillo 1:30 p.m., Fr. Bauer Prayer Room
PSR 6:30 p.m., School

Thurs. Feb. 6:

Fri. Feb. 7:

Sat. Feb. 8:

Sun. Feb. 9:


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.

Portugal with Fr. Bob Barko
Travel through Portugal with Fr. Bob Barko, July 18th - 29th, 2026. Enjoy 3 nights Lisbon, visit the Shrine of Fatima, and sail 7 nights on the Douro River. For more information contact Quincy's Discount Travel at 217-228-1122. Limited space available.

Save The Date
Save the date for June 1, 2025 for a celebration of Fr. Leo's 50th anniversary of his Ordination. More details to follow in the future.

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		
	January 26	Total to Date
Loose Collections	\$902.91	\$34,515.16
Regular Collections	\$52,829.85	\$883,362.80
Annual School Fund	\$8,608.00	\$284,562.30
Holy Days	\$105.00	\$53,705.53
Totals	\$62,445.76	\$1,256,145.79
Total Budget Goal	\$32,000.00	\$960,000.00
Difference	\$30,445.76	\$296,145.79

Diocesan Collections
Catholic Times: \$320.00

Haiti Sister Parish Collections
Collected \$690.00

Fr. Leo's column continued..

This Sunday we welcome our Boy Scouts to our Mass as they celebrate Boy Scout Sunday. Our Scouts and their leaders reflect the positive things about Scouting as they live out their promises. I am very proud of our troop for the things that they learn in the scouting program will assist them in living out their Catholic faith.

Not sure how many of you know, but we celebrate Mass at two of our nursing homes on a monthly basis. Adams Pointe and Bickford are our two nursing homes that have monthly Masses. Furthermore we have parishioners who regularly take Holy Communion to them on a weekly basis. Thank you to all of our extraordinary ministers who provide this service to our residents.

I hope everyone enjoyed our Pancake and Sausage breakfast last Sunday. I have to admit I did not catch my breakfast but had fun watching others try. It was a great time had by all and I thank all of our volunteers for making this fun-time a reality for all of us.

ON THE LIGHTER SIDE: A little boy was caught swearing by his teacher.
"Jeffrey," she said, "you shouldn't use that kind of language. Where did you hear it?"
"My daddy said it," he responded.
"Well, it doesn't matter," explained the teacher, "you don't even know what it means."
"I do so!" Jeffrey corrected. "It means that car won't start."

Magy. Leo J. Embor

Parish in Action



Haiti Sister Parish Update

Father Michel contacted Father Leo and the Haiti Sister Parish committee with an update on the conditions in Haiti. Recently the rains have been severe in the region. Although Father has been able to say Mass with no problem in Passe-Reine, it's been a challenge to reach the mountain churches. Roads have turned into mud and become impassable. Father Michel and his servers were forced to walk from Passe-Reine to Garoty for Christmas services. When they finally arrived, his parishioners were waiting. He said it brought him great "joy" to see them.

Gangs still impact life in Haiti. Over one hundred and fifty elderly people were killed in the Artibonite diocese, where Our Lady of the Assumption Church is located.

Father Michel continues to seek ways to bring God and the Church into the lives of young children and youth. Recently he established two groups, Prophet Amos and Hearts of the Angels for that purpose.

Father Michel is most appreciative of the recent monetary donation he received from St. Peter Parish. He continues to pray for us and asks that we pray for him and his parishioners.



HAPPY HOUR at **QUINCY BREWING CO.**

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 8, 2025
2:30 - 4:30 P.M.
110 N. 6TH STREET IN QUINCY

Grab a date or a group of friends and join us for a fun afternoon of fellowship! Take advantage of this opportunity to spend some quality time together. Light snacks will be provided and the first FIVE couples to arrive will each receive a free drink on us!

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

SCAN QR CODE TO RSVP

