



# *The Parish of St. Peter Quincy, IL*

## *~Mass Intentions~*

*June 2-8, 2025*

2. **Monday 8:00 a.m.**  
Jay Grawe
3. **Tuesday 8:00 a.m.**  
Cindy Brown
4. **Wednesday 8:30 a.m.**  
Daniella Kendrick
5. **Thursday 8:00 a.m.**  
Tom Lepper
6. **Friday 8:00 a.m.**  
Linda McCulla
7. **Saturday 8:00 a.m.**  
Jim Gibson
7. **Saturday 5:00 p.m.**  
Billy Smith
8. **Sunday 8:00 a.m.**  
Priscilla Morrison
8. **Sunday 10:30 a.m.**  
Penny Norton

## *— 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 Ascension of the Lord Solemnity, June 1, 2025*

**Dear Parishioners,**

As we celebrate the Eucharist this weekend, my memories of my past seem to be front and center. Fifty years ago on May 31, 1975, two young men from the diocese were ordained to the priesthood by Bishop William A. O'Connor. I still remember that day, as the grace of God filled my life and would direct that life in service to the Church. The ordination Mass was at 10:00 a.m. and the weekend would be filled with family and friends gathering to celebrate the grace of God active and alive in the lives of these two young men. Then the following day, June 1, 1975, I would celebrate with my family my first Mass at Blessed Sacrament Church, in Springfield. The weekend was filled with much joy and happiness although I was a little naïve as I had no idea what would lay ahead. In spite of my human failings, God called me to serve His Church. Even though my seminary days would do their best to prepare me for my new role in the life of the Church, I would have to say that the priesthood was a learning experience for me, encountering struggles, trials that were far from my learning curve in the seminary. God never seemed to give up on me and for that I will always be thankful to Him. After my first Mass, I enjoyed time with family before I would start my first assignment as the parochial vicar of Our Saviour Church, Jacksonville. I served in that capacity for 8 years where I also learned more about priesthood through my work with the deaf. After 8 years, I was appointed administrator in two small parishes, St. Sebastian in Waverly, Illinois and Holy Rosary in Palmyra, Illinois while continuing my role as chaplain at the deaf school for another six years. After an enjoyable time in these two small parishes, the wisdom of the Church soon was questionable in my life as I was then moved from a pastoral ministry that I enjoyed with the deaf to a new assignment as the pastor of St. Anthony Church, Effingham, Illinois. From my experiences in the differing parishes, I have learned that when one door closes that God always seems to open another one. And even though I might disagree with the wisdom of the Church, the Lord would always provide me with means of grace in whatever ministry I would enjoy. After over 21 years of pastoral service in a very challenging parish, the wisdom of the Church was in question again as I was moved from this parish to St. Peter Church, Quincy, Illinois. I still remember coming to the parish after 21 inches of snow hit Quincy. What I didn't realize was the fact that mourning and grieving was also an experience of the priests especially in pastoral reassignments. People thought I disliked coming to Quincy which was not the case but rather a time of grief in my life as I adjusted to a new change. And after 13 years of being the pastor of this parish, I found my home here in Quincy where the people have been fabulous and the parish life most rewarding. My apologies for any time that I might have shown my humanity with change in my life. As I said, St. Peter Church has become my home and I have appreciated the people. And so I thank you for being a part of my life and priesthood.

This weekend the Church celebrates the Ascension of Jesus into heaven. What used to be a holyday of obligation (40 days after Easter) has now been transferred to Sunday, challenging us all to celebrate the Eucharist together. This Solemnity recalls that God has never abandoned us but is with us always.

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**Next Meeting**

**TBD**

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

**Meet in the Martha Jane Room**

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



**Saints Alive!**

**TBD**

**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.



**Mia Rose Malinowski**, daughter of **Nicholas & Julie (Rose) Malinowski**, was made a child of God through the reception of the sacrament of Baptism on Sunday, May 25, 2025.

Please welcome to our parish family **Jason & Lindsey Hinkamper**, and their children **Camden, Rhealee, Jersie & Aryia!**

Social Concerns will be collecting toilet paper, laundry detergent, dish soap, cleaning supplies, body wash, feminine products, adult incontinence products this weekend, May 31-June 1 for the 1st Sunday collection for the Ladies of Charity. Containers will be located in the Narthex. Thank you in advance!

On Sunday, June 8th, we will have Mass at 8:00am and 10:30am (Fr. Leo's Jubilee Mass). We will not have 9:30am or 11:00am Masses that day.

The St. Peter Music Ministry Program warmly invites any high school or adult parishioners to join the St. Peter Festival Choir which will sing for Fr. Leo's Jubilee Mass which will be celebrated on June 8th at 10:30 am. Please see Jesse Mose, Director of Music & Liturgy after one of the weekend Masses or send him an email at [j.mose@cospg.org](mailto:j.mose@cospg.org) for more information.

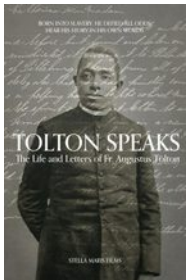
Quincy Notre Dame High School is seeking qualified candidates for the following position for the 2025-26 school year:

- Qualified candidates should submit a cover letter, resume and three letters of reference by Friday, May 23, to QND Principal Mark McDowell at [mmcdowell@qndhs.org](mailto:mmcdowell@qndhs.org). Compensation for full-time teachers is based on years of experience and level of education and ranges from \$35,000 - \$65,000. More specific information will be provided upon request.

Quincy Notre Dame High School is seeking qualified candidates for a Head Cheer Coach beginning immediately.

**Rinley Barry**  
Parish Office

On vacation and want to find the Mass times for the nearest church? Go to [MassTimes.org](http://MassTimes.org).



### *A Message from Mrs. Cindy Venvertloh*

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



## CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR PRESCHOOL GRADUATES

### Preschool 4's PM Class



## CONGRATULATIONS TO THE ST. PETER SCHOOL CLASS OF 2025



# St Peter School

## 8th Grade Graduation

### 2025



**(Please check the bulletin  
weekly for changes.)**

**Hiring for 2025-2026 School  
Year**

**Teacher Aide**  
8:00-1:00 Monday-Friday

## Teacher Aide Opening– St. Peter School

St. Peter School is accepting applications for a teacher aide positions for the 2025-2026 school year. Applicants should have experience working with young children, complete a background check and fingerprinting. Interested applicants send a resume and references to Mrs. Cindy Venvertloh 2500 Maine St, Quincy, IL 62301 or [c.venvertloh@cospq.org](mailto:c.venvertloh@cospq.org).

**School of St. Peter**  
**2500 Maine Street**  
**Quincy, IL 62301**

**Phone: 217-223-1120**

**Website: [www.stpetersschool.com](http://www.stpetersschool.com)**

**Email: [c.venvertloh@cospq.org](mailto:c.venvertloh@cospq.org)**



Mark Your Calendar

Mon. June 2:

Tues. June 3:

Wed. June 4:

Thurs. June 5:

Fri. June 6:

Sat. June 7:

Sun. June 8: NO 9:30 a.m. and NO 11:00 a.m. Masses  
Mass will be held at 10:30 a.m.  
Fr. Leo's Celebration Picnic 11:30 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.  
behind 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.

Called & Sent Retreat

Dive Deep with God. July 19-23 at the Villa Maria Retreat Center, Springfield, IL. A fun and powerful retreat for high school students filled with prayer and fellowship! This is open to all high school students, including those who have just graduated. Hosted by the Office of Vocations. Please register at go.dio.org/cas or by using the QR code.

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  
<https://pushpay.com/g/stpeterquincy>

WEEKLY COLLECTION

	May 25	Total to Date
Loose Collections	\$1,194.70	\$55,337.61
Regular Collections	\$18,504.55	\$1,352,278.14
Annual School Fund	\$21,636.10	\$397,479.30
Holy Days	\$0.00	\$75,010.92
Totals	\$41,335.35	\$1,880,105.97
Total Budget Goal	\$32,000.00	\$1,504,000.00
Difference	\$9,335.35	\$376,105.97

Diocesan Collections

Holy Land: \$30.00 Catholic Relief Services: \$30.00  
Catholic Communication: \$341.00 Seminarians: \$30.00  
Quincy Catholic Cemetery: \$215.00  
Catholic Home Mission: \$20.00 Catholic Times: \$15.00

Haiti Sister Parish Collections

Collected \$710.00

Fr. Leo's column continued..

Next weekend, I hope that you will come and celebrate with me my 50th Jubilee as a priest of the diocese of Springfield in Illinois. Our Mass schedule will be 5:00 p.m. on Saturday, 8:00 a.m. on Sunday, and then we will be celebrating my Jubilee Mass at 10:30 a.m. There will be NO 9:30 nor 11:00 a.m. Mass for that day. After this Mass, we will be having a large parish picnic with many differing activities including a luncheon for everyone. Thank you for your understanding as we celebrate this day together.

ON THE LIGHTER SIDE: Garrison Keillor

Quotes:

1. A good friend is a person who thinks you're one of the good eggs, even if he knows you are a little cracked.

2. We'd all be a lot happier if we'd stop assuming we're supposed to be happy.

3. All solutions are temporary, so why not go for the duct tape.

4. That's why God created marriage, so people wouldn't have to fight with strangers.

5. Beauty is worth thinking about; what's important is your mind. You don't want a fifty dollar haircut on a fifty-cent head.

6. Life is continuous. Life never stops. We come to that really great questions and before we can answer them, life has moved on to something else.

7. We are not chips of wood drifting down the stream of time. We have oars.

8. My ability to keep cool in a crisis is based entirely on not knowing all the facts.

Msgr. Leo J. Embury

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Parish in Action

May, 2025

Dear Friends in Christ,

Each year on the feast of Pentecost we rejoice that the gifts of the Holy Spirit are given to the Church in every age. As we celebrate this feast, I ask you to consider a generous response in the Retired Diocesan Priests Collection to meet the immediate retirement and health care needs of our priests.

Please pray for our priests who serve so generously in various apostolates throughout our diocese. Please thank God for all that we have received from our priests who are now retired, many of whom continue to offer generous service in every way that they are able throughout our diocese.

If you are unable to make an in-church contribution, please make your donation online at [parishgiving.dio.org/secondcollections](http://parishgiving.dio.org/secondcollections). You can also mail your donation to your parish office.

Thank you in advance for your support this year. May the Holy Spirit give us every gift we need to build up the Body of Christ in our time and place.

With every best wish and prayers, I remain

Sincerely yours in Christ,  
+ Thomas John Paprocki

Most Reverend Thomas John Paprocki, Bishop of Springfield in Illinois

JOIN THE CHALLENGE AND GO ON ONE DATE PER MONTH THIS SUMMER  
TO TRANSFORM YOUR MARRIAGE!

DATE NIGHT CHALLENGE

JUNE 1, 2025 - AUGUST 28, 2025

JOIN THE CHALLENGE TODAY!

YOUR MARRIAGE IS WORTH IT!

HOW IT WORKS:

• WE WILL SEND DATE IDEAS AND DISCUSSION TOPICS TO YOU MONTHLY

• SEND A PICTURE OF YOURSELVES ON YOUR DATES

• COMPLETE 3 DATES AND BE ENTERED FOR GRAND PRIZE

ST. PETER CHURCH

QUESTIONS?  
CALL 217.214.0187

SCAN TO SIGN UP

An Invitation to College Graduates:

We would like to recognize parishioners who are graduating from college this spring. Information will be printed in the June 15 bulletin. To be included, please legibly print the info. below and return it to the Parish Office by Friday, June 8. Or email this information to [church@cospq.org](mailto:church@cospq.org). Thank you!

Name of Graduate: \_\_\_\_\_

Degree Received / Major: \_\_\_\_\_

Name of College: \_\_\_\_\_

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