



# The Parish of St. Peter Quincy, IL

## ~Mass Intentions~

May 19-25, 2025

- 19. Monday 8:00 a.m.  
Steve Sinnock
- 20. Tuesday 8:00 a.m.  
Marjorie & Leo Enlow Sr.
- 21. Wednesday 8:30 a.m.  
Mary Effrein
- 22. Thursday 8:00 a.m.  
Anita Wavering
- 23. Friday 8:00 a.m.  
Gary & Jeanette Noel
- 24. Saturday 8:00 a.m.  
Merle & Leta Mae Frese
- 24. Saturday 5:00 p.m.  
Joan Whitney Whitcomb
- 25. Sunday 8:00 a.m.  
Dan Frericks
- 25. Sunday 9:30 a.m.  
Howard Buckley
- 25. 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.

*Fifth Sunday of Easter, May 18, 2025*

Dear Parishioners,

It is hard to believe that we have less than a week of school remaining. Summer vacation is coming and our weather and the mood of our students seem to reflect this reality. I'm not sure where Spring went but it seemingly has come and gone. Summer is in our midst and our temperatures seem to be the indicator of this change of season. Our last day of school will be Wednesday May 21st. But I caution our young people that even though they are on summer vacation, there is no such thing as a vacation from our faith and living that faith. So I am expecting to see our families present each and every weekend to celebrate our Eucharist together.

This weekend we are celebrating the Fifth Sunday in our season of Easter. After the resurrection, we find Paul and Barnabas teaching and preaching the good news, making a considerable number of more disciples for Jesus and His Way. One of the messages that they preached was very short and simple and endeavored to attract more and more people. This message found in our gospel simply stated the statement of Jesus when He said, "I give you a new commandment; love one another. As I have loved you, so you also should love one another. This is how all will know that you are my disciples, if you have love for one another." Wow! Those words of Jesus are so very profound yet simple. The message was not an intense study of theology but rather a challenge for all disciples to make a difference in the world through their love for Jesus and each other. What would happen if those words became reality for all of us? I think we would literally change our world.

I was thinking to myself that those words of Jesus would be valid for any graduation/promotion ceremony. And to our 8th graders, our graduates from QND and QHS, and our graduates of any college and university, let these words of Jesus ring true in your lives. "I give you a new commandment; love one another. As I have loved you, so you also should love one another. This is how all will know that you are my disciples, if you have love for one another." These words are a lasting remembrance and should be reflected in our lives. Once again, on behalf of our parish of St. Peter, I congratulate all of our graduates from QND and QHS, as both schools celebrate their graduation this weekend.

For the past several years, some of our parishioners have shared their stewardship of treasure by sponsoring some young people in Haiti in their quest to overcome their poverty through education. Not all education in Haiti is rewarding and this gives some of their young people to attend private/Catholic schools. We have sponsored 29 students for the past several years. Now Fr. Michel is requesting to have our parish sponsor 35 students, an increase of 6 from previous years. So far we have had parishioners volunteer to sponsor two more, so we are still looking to fulfill the need of four more. The cost is \$350 but our sponsorship is a way of helping the young people of our sister parishes to overcome their poverty through a proper education. If you can help or would like to share your stewardship of treasure, please call the rectory and we will explain the procedure. To all those who have given in the past and to those new, I thank you!

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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.



Please welcome to our parish family **Brianna Krogman!**

Join us for Fellowship Tuesdays after 8:00am Mass this week (5/20). Come for Mass, fellowship, coffee and treats!

The St. Veronica Guild will meet **Thursday, May 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!

The Mega Raffle is officially sold out! Thank you for all your support!

The Memorial Day Mass will be held at the Calvary Cemetery Chapel (east end of the cemetery) on Monday, May 26, 2025, at 9:00 a.m. Please bring your own chair(s) if possible.

In case of rain, the service will be held at St Francis Church.

We will not have 8:00 a.m. Mass here at St. Peter on Memorial Day. Mass will be at Calvary Cemetery.

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

- Full-Time English Teacher

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. \* Students of full-time employees are eligible for a 50% tuition discount.

Quincy Notre Dame High School is seeking qualified candidates for a Head Cheer Coach beginning immediately. Qualified candidates should contact QND Athletic Director Bill Connell at [bconnell@qndhs.org](mailto:bconnell@qndhs.org).  
More specific information will be provided upon request.

- ~Kristopher Schreacke
- ~Isabella Benner
- ~Hunter Hildebrand
- ~Kathy Schuckman
- ~Joyce Shipp
- ~Donna Schutte
- ~Cheryl Liesen
- ~Sarah Sturhahn Stege
- ~Maria (Eberhardt) Spa
- ~John Douglas Holford
- ~Linda Mettemeyer
- ~Bonnie Haubrich
- ~Dave & Bryce Shank
- ~Drake Willing
- ~Tom Frive

- ~Elias Erd
- ~Amy Seibert
- ~Terri May
- ~Mary Lavery
- ~Ken Althoff
- ~John & Barb Meyer
- ~Elizabeth Topf

- ~Jo Buckley
- ~Nancy Bohan
- ~Julie Eftink
- ~Bill Morrison
- ~Roger Voorhis

~Pat Arnold  
~Ian Mehaffy  
~Emmett Hertle  
~Liem Thanh Mai  
~Winnie Vogel  
~Rinley Barry

- ~Julia Maas
- ~Anonymous
- ~Anonymous

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

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!

Tues: 1 pm (weeks 1,3,5), 3pm, 8pm, 10pm  
Fri: 11 pm  
Sat: 1:30 am  
Please consider an hour in the Adoration Chapel. Contact  
Mary at 217-653-3127 or Jean Anne at 217-430-6967.

The 23rd Annual QND Raider Challenge 5k run/walk & 10k run will be held June 14, start time 7:00am at QND, 1400 S. 11th. Signup and support the QND Cross Country Team by visiting the link below. Registration ends June 9 at 7:00pm.  
<https://runsignup.com/Race/IL/Quincy/RaiderChallenge>

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](https://go.dio.org/cas) or by using the QR code.



St. Peter and St. Francis are working together to bring another Totus Tuus Camp to our area this summer! Totus Tuus is a week filled with fun and faith! The Evening Camp runs from Sunday, June 15<sup>th</sup> through Thursday, June 19<sup>th</sup> this year from 6:30 pm – 8:15 pm at St. Francis School. Teens who are entering 7<sup>th</sup> – 12<sup>th</sup> grade in the fall of 2025 are welcome to attend. The Day Camp will take place Monday, June 16<sup>th</sup> – Friday, June 20<sup>st</sup> from 9:00 am until 2:30 pm. This camp is for students entering 1<sup>st</sup> grade through 6<sup>th</sup> grades this fall. The cost of the camp is \$25 a child or \$60 for 3 or more siblings. All area youth are welcome! To sign up please, use this link: <https://dio.org/totus-tuus-camper-registration/>. Text Grant at 217-602-9293 for more information. Thank you!



On vacation and want to find the Mass times for the nearest church? The oldest and best place to find Mass Times is at [MassTimes.org](http://MassTimes.org).

If you are moving, please call the parish office at 222-3155 to give us your new address. We get charged for any returned newsletters, contribution envelopes, or mailings.

We are aware of the names being incorrect on the front of the bulletin. It will be corrected on the June bulletins.

*Week of May 18, 2025*

*A Message from Mrs. Cindy Venvertloh*

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

**TEACHER/STAFF APPRECIATION WEEK**



Our teachers and staff were treated to a “rock star” week that really made all of us feel extremely special and appreciated. The week began with a delicious breakfast on Monday. On Tuesday we were given a Sonic drink and popcorn to fuel our day. Wednesday began with a blessing during Mass with special messages from the students. Additionally we were presented with a special ice cream treat during our faculty meeting. On Thursday we were presented with beautiful flowers. Our week came to a close on Friday with a special luncheon that included a generous amount of prizes. Many parent volunteers supervised the students so that all staff could be part of this culminating event. We are all so incredibly blessed and thankful to the Teacher Appreciation Committee and to the St. Peter School Parents for their kindness and generosity. It was a “rock star” week.

St. Peter School is accepting applications for a teacher aide position 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).

**Monday:** Cook's Choice.  
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**Wednesday:** School Picnic.

Monday, May 19: **7th grade field trip** to Mark Twain Cave.

**Tuesday, May 20: PS4 Graduation Day.**

Wednesday, May 21: **8:30 Children's Mass**—7th grade in charge of Mass planning; **School Picnic** begins following Mass (volunteers needed for the picnic); **School Day ends at 11:30: NO pm bus or daycare.**

Thursday, May 22: **1st day of Summer Vacation!!!!**

**Hiring for 2025-2026 School Year**

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

**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@cospg.org](mailto:c.venvertloh@cospg.org)**



Mark Your Calendar

Mon. May 19:

Tues. May 20: Tuesday Treats after Mass in Narthex

Wed. May 21:

Thurs. May 22: St. Veronica's Guild 1:00 p.m., Lower Level Conf. Room

Fri. May 23:

Sat. May 24:

Sun. May 25:

Fr. Leo's column continued..

For the past few bulletins, you have seen my mug shot in the bulletin, from 50 years ago to the present. What a change! In celebrating my 50 years as a priest, I wanted two things, namely, a Mass of thanksgiving and a parish picnic with my parish family. There is no cost, but all we ask is that you tell us if you are coming so that the food can be ordered. We will have a BBQ lunch catered by Niemanns, Kuhn family ice cream, a beer tent, the Heidelberg German Band, the QND music department, Bingo, corn hole, a Bounce house, and the St. Peter train. Our Mass will be at 10:30 a.m. followed by our parish picnic until 3:00 p.m. My family (siblings) will be here to celebrate with us and I cannot imagine having such a celebration without my parish family. You have been a part of my priesthood and I just want your presence with me for this day. Also please pray for good weather, no rain!

If you haven't noticed by now, we are beginning some preliminary work on our new building. We had to take down two trees, which we did, and now they are preparing the plumbing and electrical work. Things will be changing in our back yard.

ON THE LIGHTER SIDE: Golfing realities:

1. When you stop to think about it, did you ever notice that it's a lot easier to get up at 6:00 a.m. to play golf than at 10:00 a.m. to mow the lawn.

2. Golf is the perfect thing to do on a Sunday because you always end up praying a lot.

3. That rake by the sand trap is there for golfers who feel guilty about skipping out on lawn work.

Magi. Leo J. Embury

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.

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.

QR Code

St Peter Church, Quincy IL  
Church Fund - 8288  
https://pushpay.com/g/stpeterquincy

WEEKLY COLLECTION

	May 11	Total to Date
Loose Collections	\$1,256.99	\$53,155.93
Regular Collections	\$25,484.00	\$1,315,701.59
Annual School Fund	\$5,708.55	\$373,614.65
Holy Days	\$170.00	\$75,010.92
Totals	\$32,619.54	\$1,817,483.09
Total Budget Goal	\$32,000.00	\$1,440,000.00
Difference	\$619.54	\$377,483.09

Diocesan Collections

Holy Land: \$50.00 Retired Dio. Priests: \$10.00  
Catholic Communication: \$120.00 Seminarians: \$50.00  
Quincy Catholic Cemetery: \$731.00  
Catholic Home Mission: \$281.00

Haiti Sister Parish Collections

Collected \$836.00

Parish in Action

50 Years

Fr. Leo J. Embury

Fr. Thomas J. Schmitt

Reservations are required for the catered lunch.  
(No charge, but we need an accurate number.)

RSVP by May 30 to the office at church@cospq.org or 217-222-3155.

In lieu of gifts, please consider a donation to establish scholarships for St. Peter and QND students with the QND and QCES Foundations.

Please make check payable to St. Peter Church with "Fr. Leo Scholarship" in the memo line.

A gift box will be available that weekend for cards and donations.

Jubilee Mass at 10:30am

Sunday, June 8

Celebration Picnic to follow on the church grounds!

11:30am-3:00pm

Food, games, music, family fun & fellowship!

Return Home: Quincy Premiere of "Tolton Speaks"

Sunday, June 22 3:00-5:00pm

St. Peter Church

Join us for the Quincy screening of "Tolton Speaks," the documentary about Venerable Fr. Augustus Tolton's journey to priesthood.

Born into slavery and prohibited from entering any seminary in the United States, Fr. Tolton defied social expectations and the odds to become America's first recognized African-American Roman Catholic priest.

Learn about this man's extraordinary story through expert interviews, historical documents and his words as told through never-before-seen letters. It's a film you cannot afford to miss!

Scan QR code to purchase tickets, \$10 each. They are also available at the Quincy Area Chamber of Commerce.

Email queries: [tolton.spirituality.center@gmail.com](mailto:tolton.spirituality.center@gmail.com)

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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