



The Parish of St. Peter *Quincy, IL*

~Mass Intentions~

July 14-20, 2025

- 14. Monday 8:00 a.m.**
Ann Anderson
- 15. Tuesday 8:00 a.m.**
Cindy Brown
- 16. Wednesday 8:30 a.m.**
Tom Bergman
- 17. Thursday 8:00 a.m.**
Mary Brahler
- 18. Friday 8:00 a.m.**
Jan Faler
- 19. Saturday 8:00 a.m.**
Merle & Joan Hellhake
- 19. Saturday 5:00 p.m.**
Don Vancil
- 20. Sunday 8:00 a.m.**
Robert & Joanne Schlepphorst
- 20. Sunday 9:30 a.m.**
Our Parish Family
- 20. Sunday 11:00 a.m.**
Jan Faler

— 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.

Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time, July 13, 2025

Dear Parishioners,

As a teacher of the faith, there is one question that is often asked as people want a definitive answer. That question is basically, “how do I get to heaven?” When people consider their mortality, this question becomes front and center in the lives of many. Well, it was no different in Jesus’ time. In our gospel today Jesus is approached by a scholar of the law and is asked the simple question, “Teacher, what must I do to inherit eternal life?” As I stated, people want to know the answer to this simple question. It will continue to plague each of us as we imagine our lives ending here on earth. The question is, “what’s next?” And “how do I attain the what’s next?” In reply, Jesus asks, “how do you read the law?” The scholar responded, “You shall love the Lord, your God, with all your heart, with all your being, with all your strength, and with all your mind, and your neighbor as yourself.” One can imagine Jesus’s response, nodding and thinking, “this young man gets it.” But this is where the exchange gets interesting as this scholar asks, “who is my neighbor?” Rather than stating who the neighbor is, Jesus gives a parable of the Good Samaritan, a concrete story stating matter of fact how we are to act as a neighbor. The unexpected happens as the neighbor becomes a person unexpected, perhaps someone with whom we have issues. But the one person that does respond is the one person a Jewish person would never have expected to be the neighbor-namely, a Samaritan. I’m sure this story raised some eyebrows and created a stir in many. It’s as if Jesus takes a person in our lives, an enemy who has hurt us, or a relative who created havoc in our lives, and raises them up as the neighbor in our lives. And all Jesus does as He concluded His story is to tell us “go and do likewise.” Treat others as this Samaritan treated this victim of robbers.

On the weekend of July 19-20th, we will be having a visiting priest who will be present as part of the annual Missionary Appeal sponsored by the diocese. This appeal provides differing parishes with priests from all over the missionary world, touching on our hearts of generosity to assist them in their various ministries. This year we will be having Fr. Varghese Aratukulam from the diocese of Alleppey, India who will be with us next weekend asking us to assist them in their many needs. I ask that you welcome him as we normally do and respond generously to his appeal. Remember, we are the Samaritan as we assist the victims who need our help.

As you can see from observation, our construction project continues. The pilings in the ground will be completed and I can picture some of the foundation to begin taking shape. It’s exciting to observe and I can’t wait to see its completion which should be next July. What an addition this will be to our school and parish. I am so proud of this family and what we have done together. Thank you for being the stewardship parish that you are. Besides sharing your generosity of time, talents, and treasures with us, we also have been sharing our treasures with our sister parishes in Haiti. Recently I sent a check of Fr. Michel for \$27,615 which included the \$15,000 quarterly commitment along with \$12,615 for the tuition payments made by some of our parishioners.

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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.



Rest in Peace
May the soul of
Robert Softys
sing praises with the Angels in Heaven forever.



Welcome!
Please welcome to our parish family **Darin & Catherine Green** and **Jesse & Kyia Mose!**

Adoration on July 13
Please join us for Eucharistic Adoration this Sunday, July 13th from 5:45pm until 7:00pm. There will be a reflection at 5:45pm with Adoration from 6:00pm until 7:00pm. This is an open Adoration hour, come for as long as you are able.

Dear PSR Parents
We need to prepare for the PSR 2025-2026 school year. Please let us know if your students will attend so we can order supplies. Applications are available on the table in the Narthex. You can place them in the collection basket or take them to the Rectory.
If you have any questions, please contact Gina Wolf, PSR Coordinator at 217-257-9966 or email g.wolf@cospg.org.
Please inform me if your children will be attending by July 15, 2025. We look forward to seeing you and your children at PSR in the fall. Your prompt response will help in planning a successful start to the school year. Thank you for your cooperation regarding your child's religious education. Blessings, Gina Wolf

EMHC for Homebound
We are looking for Eucharistic Ministers to take communion to the homebound on weekends either approximately monthly or as a substitute. Please email parishnurse@cospg.org if you are interested.

Women's Cursillo #378
Women's Cursillo weekend #378 will be held July 17-20th at the Franciscan Retreat Center in Quincy. During this three day experience, those attending pray together, celebrate the Eucharist, listen to talks given by priests, religious and laypersons, and share the fellowship of Jesus Christ and each other. It provides a casual and relaxed experience in a Christian community. Cost of the weekend is \$185 with lodging and all meals provided. A partial monetary gift to defray the cost is available. For more information or to receive an application, please contact Emily Goodapple, 217-242-8802 or go to <https://quincycursillo.com> to print one.

Please keep the following in your prayers:

~Kristopher Schreacke

~Isabella Benner

~Hunter Hildebrand

~Joyce Shipp

~Donna Schutte

~John Douglas Holford

~Sarah Sturhahn Stegeman

~Maria (Eberhardt) Sparrow

~Linda Mettemeyer

~Bonnie Haubrich

~Dave & Bryce Shank

~Winnie Vogel

~Elias Erd

~Amy Seibert

~Terri May

~Mary Lavery

~Ken Althoff

~John & Barb Meyer

~Cheryl Liesen

~Julia Maas

~Pat Arnold

~Ian Mehaffy

~Emmett Hertle

~Liem Thanh Mai

~Tom Friye

~Jo Buckley

~Nancy Bohan

~Julie Eftink

~Bill Morrison

~Elizabeth Topf

~Lori Eaton

~Ellie Peters

~Anonymous

~Anonymous

~Drake Willing

~Rinley Barry



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

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!
Tues: 2pm
Wed: 9am (weeks 1,3,5), 2pm
Thurs: midnight (1,3), 1am (1,3) & (2,4,5), 9pm (1,3)
Fri: 1pm (3,5), 11 pm
Sat: midnight-1:30am (week 1), 4am (2,4), 11am (2,3,4,5)
Please consider an hour in the Adoration Chapel. Contact Mary at 217-653-3127 or Jean Anne at 217-430-6967.

The QCES Foundation is Hiring!
The Quincy Catholic Elementary Schools Foundation is seeking an Executive Director. This flexible full- or part-time role leads fundraising, donor relations, and community engagement efforts to support Catholic education in Quincy. Responsibilities include overseeing the tuition assistance and teacher grant programs, managing all aspects of fund-raising, supporting marketing initiatives, and partnering with the Board on strategic planning and goals. More details and how to apply can be found at www.bit.ly/QCESFD

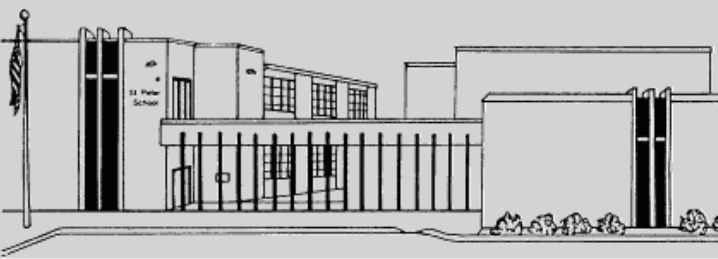
St. Joseph Ice Cream Social
St. Joseph Ice Cream Social will be held on Sunday, July 13 from 4pm - 10pm. Come and enjoy our homemade ice cream. There will be sandwiches, desserts, kids' games, BINGO and raffles. Come and share in an evening of fun. St. Joseph Catholic Church, 1435 E. 1500th St., Quincy.

Biking For Babies
The Minnesota Biking for Babies team is again stopping in Quincy on their over-500-mile bike ride from Minnesota to St. Louis. They ride to raise money for pregnancy resource centers. They will ride into Quincy on Friday afternoon, July 18. Please check out www.bikingforbabies.com to learn more about these incredible teams of bicycling missionaries and their awesome mission, and then come to meet them. Join them for Mass at 5:30 p.m. at Blessed Sacrament Church, 1119 S. 7th Street, Quincy, and/or join them for dinner at 6:15 p.m. in the gathering space at the church. If you have any questions, call Vicki Wittland 217-316-9936. There will be more information in a bulletin to follow but mark your calendars and plan to attend.

QND Boys Soccer Camp
The QND Boys Soccer Team will be hosting their annual summer camp for incoming Kindergarten - 6th grade boys July 28 - 31. Come learn soccer skills and have some fun with your friends. Please go to the website below to complete the google form to register. Please register by July 15 to guarantee a t-shirt. Let's Go Raiders! <https://www.quincynotredame.org/qnd-summer-camps-events/>

Meals on Wheels
Become a volunteer today. Whether you can give an hour a week, or more, every bit helps. If volunteering with Meals on Wheels fits into your schedule, contact me for more information. Contact: Briana Glas, brianaglas@wcian.org, office: 217-592-3653, cell: 217-242-4181.

The School of St. Peter

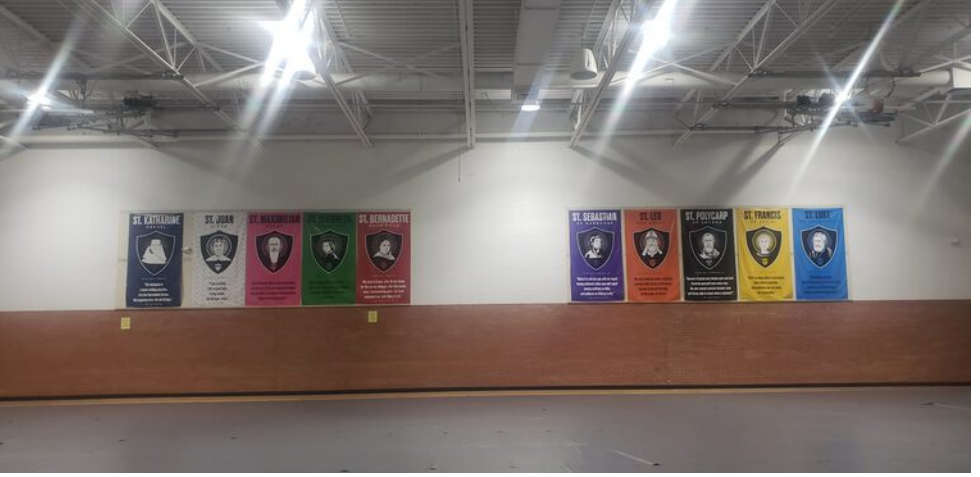



Week of July 13, 2025
A Message from Mrs. Cindy Venvertloh
“St. Peter School provides a quality education built on Catholic values and teachings.”

A COMMON QUESTION PRIOR TO THE START OF SCHOOL

When do I find out which classroom (homeroom) that my child will be in for the school year? Everyone will find out towards the end of July and will be notified in the way of an email message along with information about the start of the school year. Please note that we do not grant requests for placement or make any changes. Class lists are completed and we rely on the teachers as we trust they have learned who their students are for placement for the coming school year. It would be impossible to fill everyone's needs. We look forward to seeing you soon!!!

GYM WALLS HAVE BEEN PAINTED





**Wednesday, July 16:
9:00-2:00p.m.**
(Please check the bulletin weekly for changes.)

We thank Eric Entrup for painting our gym walls! They look great and are ready for the new school year!

School of St. Peter
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Quincy, IL 62301
Phone: 217-223-1120
Website: www.stpetersschool.com
Email: c.venvertloh@cospg.org

Mark Your Calendar

Mon. July 14:

Tues. July 15: Tuesday Treats after Mass in Narthex

Wed. July 16:

Thurs. July 17:

Fri. July 18:

Sat. July 19:

Sun. July 20:

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.

Diocese Catholic Charities Summer Hunger Campaign

This July kicks off our annual Summer Hunger Campaign that helps to fund Catholic Charities Mobile Food Pantry Program. The Mobile Food Pantry reaches out to feed disadvantaged people facing poverty in rural communities across our 28-county diocese. Our 7 Mobile Food Pantry trucks deliver meat, fresh produce, dairy and nonperishable food items all year long to those in need. We humbly ask you to consider a gift to help us continue to feed God's children through our mission to "extend to all the healing and empowering presence of Jesus." Every gift you give, no matter how small, makes a difference. Donate today at: https://cc.dio.org/ways_to_give/donate or scan the QR code.

Fr. Leo's column continued..

I found the following that I would like to share with you. I was personally moved by it and thought you might be the same. It's called "Dancing with God."

"When I meditated on the word Guidance, I kept seeing 'dance' at the end of the word. I remember reading that doing God's will is a lot like dancing. When two people try to lead, nothing feels right. The movement doesn't flow with the music, and everything is quite uncomfortable and jerky. When one person realizes that, and lets the other lead, both bodies begin to flow with the music. One gives gentle cues, perhaps with a nudge to the back or by pressing lightly in one direction or another. It's as if two become one body, moving beautifully. The dance takes surrender, willingness and attentiveness from one person and gentle guidance and skill from the other. My eyes drew back to the word 'Guidance.' When I saw 'G' I thought of God, followed by 'u' and 'i.' 'God,' 'u' and 'i dance.' God, you and I dance. As I lowered my head, I became willing to trust that I would get guidance about my life. Once again, I became willing to let God lead."

ON THE LIGHTER SIDE:

A woman was considering buying an aging thoroughbred but wanted a veterinarian's opinion of the horse before finalizing the deal.

When the vet had completed his examination, she asked, "Will I be able to race him?"

The veterinarian looked at the woman, then at the horse, "Sure," he replied "and you'll probably win!"

Magi. Lisa J. Embury

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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

	July 6	Total to Date
Loose Collections	\$1,307.00	\$1,307.00
Regular Collections	\$27,933.56	\$27,933.56
Annual School Fund	\$6,313.00	\$6,313.00
Holy Days	\$10.00	\$10.00
Totals	\$35,563.56	\$35,563.56
Total Budget Goal	\$32,000.00	\$32,000.00
Difference	\$3,563.56	\$3,563.56

Diocesan Collections

Retired Dio. Priests: \$40.00
Quincy Catholic Cemetery: \$50.00
Peters Pence: \$70.00

Haiti Sister Parish Collections

Collected \$2,049.00

Parish in Action

St. Peter Back to School Help Fair 2025

Socks and Underwear Donations: Tags for donating new socks and underwear will be laid out in the Narthex on July 12 & 13. Select a tag, purchase the item(s), affix the coded label to the front of the package(s) and return items to St. Peter Church on either July 19-20 or July 26-27. Thank you for your generosity. Questions - please call Mary Christensen 217-257-1403.

Clothing donations: Please help out our ministry this summer with donations. When you are cleaning out closets this summer consider donating gently used school aged (Pre-K through high school) clothing and shoes. Bring the items to Iles Elementary located at 3111 North 12th Street. There is a tote at the front of the building for donations. This tote will be available for drop off items from June 1 - August 1. Questions about donations - please call Mary 217-257-1403.

St. Peter Church Summer Choir

The St. Peter Church Summer Choir Opportunities will be offered on July 20th and August 3rd . Rehearsals will begin at 8:30 am in the parish choir room, located to the side of the cafeteria, followed by 9:30 am Mass. Any high school or adult parishioners are welcome! For more information and/or to RSVP, please contact Jesse Mose, Director of Music & Liturgy at j.mose@cospq.org.

Adults Only Summer Date Night Challenge Check In

BYOB & App to share!

Extra entry for a chance to win a \$50 gift card for each couple who joins!

RSVP

Friday, August 8th 5pm-6:30pm @ The Party Room Jen's Dance Academy 510 Jersey Street

ST. PETER CHURCH

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

QUESTIONS? CALL 217.214.0187

SCAN TO SIGN UP

ST. PETER CHURCH

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