

St. Peter Parish Quincy, IL

~Mass Intentions~

Sept. 8-14, 2025

- 8. Monday 8:00 a.m. Dick Olps
- 9. Tuesday 8:00 a.m. Cindy Brown
- **10. Wednesday 8:20 a.m.** Howard Buckley
- **11. Thursday 8:00 a.m.** Gary & Jeanette Noel
- 12. Friday 8:00 a.m.
 Dan Frericks
- **13. Saturday 8:00 a.m.**Dan Barry
- **13. Saturday 5:00 p.m.**Mary Effrein
- **14. Sunday 8:00 a.m.**Wayne & Judy Emerick
- **14. Sunday 9:30 a.m.** Our Parish Family
- 14. Sunday 11:00 a.m. Ken Wolf

— Mass Schedule —

Monday-Saturday 8:00 a.m. Wednesday 8:20 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.

Twenty-third Sunday in Ordinary Time, September 7, 2025 Dear Parishioners.

As we gather on this first weekend of September, we gather and celebrate the 23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time. In our gospel today, Jesus says some very disturbing statements. To the crowds that were following Him, He turns and says, "if anyone comes to me without hating his father and mother, wife and children, brothers and sisters, and even his own life, he cannot be my disciple." That statement I am sure shook the crowds because family was very important for a Jewish person. And now we are to "hate them" as Jesus states. Then He continues as He asks us to hate our own lives. Finally He asks us to renounce all our possessions. If we were to put this forward as the cost of discipleship, not sure how many people would be following Christ. It seems to go contrary to what seems to be important for us.

What Jesus is trying to say, in these rather bold statements, is that you and I can be consumed by any one of these things in our lives to such an extent that we stop looking at Jesus and orienting our lives toward Him. A life of discipleship is a life oriented toward God and striving to be faithful to Him. The key, therefore, is not that we are literally asked to give up our family, or our possessions, or even ourselves, but that we are willing to give these things up for the love of God. It is our willingness that makes all the difference. Discipleship requires sacrifice. It requires the willingness to give up everything for the love of God, to be able to say "yes" to our God whenever we are asked.

This Tuesday, September 9th, begins what we call the OCIA process for our parish family. This is a weekly encounter, helping people grow in their knowledge and understanding of the Catholic faith. People are invited to these classes who are interested in learning more about the Catholic Church, its teachings, its faith, it morals. Each Tuesday we grow in our faith from 7:00 to 8:30 p.m. For those who might be interested, I want to remind you that there is no pressure to join, only a willingness to learn. Then we let God take over and with His grace hopefully complete the conversion experience. But if not, that's okay also. We let God take over and do not force anything upon anyone. I consider our OCIA classes very informative, challenging, and enlightening. This is an opportunity to ask questions and learn about the Catholic faith. Remember, first class is next Tuesday in the Martha Jane Room off the cafeteria in the basement of the Church starting at 7:00 p.m.

I began my second series of chemotherapy treatments last Tuesday. This series will also be three treatments in three consecutive weeks provided my system can take them. I still get extremely fatigued from them and find myself not being able to do the things I originally used to do. And that is frustrating to me! Please keep me in your prayers as I keep you in mine.

This Monday, September 8th, is the birthday of the Blessed Virgin Mary. Our liturgy is very consistent as we celebrate her Immaculate Conception on December 8th, nine months before her birth. If we want to find the perfect human being who said "yes" to God in all her sacrifices, it is the Blessed Mother who is our model and our example.

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Next Meeting Sunday, Sept. 14th 5:40 p.m. - 7:30 p.m.

Meet in the Narthex

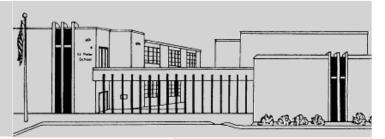
All 7th, 8th, & 9th graders & their friends welcome!



Saints Alive! September 11th 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.

St. Peter School



Week of September 7, 2025 A Message from Mrs. Cindy Venvertloh

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

STUDENTS LOVE RECESS









The construction has not kept the students from enjoying recess! We received a donation to purchase recess items for the students. Recess takes place on the east side of Seton Hall as well

as on the lower lot between Seton Hall and the cafeteria. Despite not having the equipment we have been used to in years past, the children are enjoying all of the new items to play with. We are grateful for the donation to the kids!

SCHOOL MENU

Monday: Hot dog on bun, curly fries, baked beans, fruit.

Tuesday: Sausage/egg biscuit, hash brown, veggie juice, fruit. **Wednesday:** Salisbury steak, mashed potatoes, romaine salad, fruit.

Thursday: Breaded chicken on bun, potato rings, mixed vegetables, fruit.

Friday: French bread pizza, marinara, carrots, fruit.

THIS WEEK

Monday, Sept. 8:

Tuesday, Sept. 9: FALL SCHOOL PICTURES taken.

Wednesday, Sept. 10: Children's Mass at 8:20a.m.: 6th grade in charge of Mass.

Thursday, Sept. 11: 6th gr. Vocation Day; Adoration.

Friday, Sept. 12: HOUSE AS-SEMBLY—students wear their HOUSE shirts with dress code bottoms. (Kindergarten and new students will receive their new HOUSE shirts during the assembly!)

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Fr. Leo's column cont

From Monday, September 15th to Thursday, September 18th, the priests of the diocese will be on their convocation in Florissant, Missouri. We are expected to be there and I am sure that Fr. Paul will be in attendance. But I'm not planning on going as I will still be having my third and final series of chemo that week. Instead, I plan on staying home and having Mass and trying to recuperate.

ON THE LIGHTER SIDE: The ship was sinking fast. The captain called out, "Anyone here know how to pray?"

One man stepped forward: "I do, captain."
"Good," said the captain. "You pray. The rest of
us will put on life preservers. We're one short."

In Sunday school, a teacher asked a small girl why she thought the clergyman in the Good Samaritan story passed by on the other side. "Because the man lying by the roadside had already been robbed," the little girl replied.

A Sunday school teacher was telling her kindergarten children about the Golden Rule. "Remember," she said, "we are to help others."

"Then what are the others here for?" a little girl asked.

Magn. Les J. Eulow

Mark Your Calendar

Mon. Sept. 8:

Tues. Sept. 9: OCIA 7:00 p.m., Martha Jane Room

Wed. Sept. 10: PSR 6:30 p.m., School

Thurs. Sept. 11: St. Veronica's Guild 8:30 a.m., Lower

Level Conf. Room

Saints Alive 3:00 p.m., Martha Jane Room

Fri. Sept. 12:

Sat. Sept. 13:

Sun. Sept. 14: City Wide Adoration 5:45 p.m., Church

Please keep the following in your prayers:

Hunter Hildebrand

Kathy Schuckman

~Joyce Shipp

-Donna Schutte

~Elias Erd ~Amy Seibert

~Terri May ~Mary Lavery

~Ken Althoff ~Virginia Hunter

~John Douglas Holford ~Sarah Sturhahn Stegeman

~Maria (Eberhardt) Sparrow

~Bonnie Haubrich ~Em ~Dave & Bryce Shank ~Liei ~Winnie Vogel ~Ton

~Emmett Hertle ~Anonymous ~Liem Thanh Mai ~Drake Willing ~Tom Friye ~Rinley Barry

~Jo Buckley

~Julie Eftink

~Lori Eaton

~Ellie Peters

~Pat Arnold

~Anonymous

~Nancy Bohan

~Bill Morrison

~Cheryl Liesen

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

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



WEEKLY COLLECTION

	August 31	Total to Date
Loose Collections	\$1,286.51	\$11,083.34
Regular Collections	\$17,551.87	\$236,816.56
Annual School Fund	\$4,087.90	\$61,676.80
Holy Days	\$145.00	\$2,538.00
Totals	\$23,071.28	\$312,114.70
Total Budget Goal	\$32,000.00	\$288,000.00
Difference	(\$8,928.72)	\$24,114.70

Diocesan Collections

Quincy Catholic Cemeteries: \$50.00

Haiti Sister Parish Collections

Collected \$1,037.75

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Social Concerns Collection

Social Concerns is collecting peanut butter & jelly, canned chicken, tuna, mac & cheese, canned fruit this weekend, Sept. 6-7 for the 1st Sunday collection for the Ladies of Charity. Containers will be located in the Narthex. Thank you!

Coffee & Donuts and Blood Pressures Next Sunday

Please join us next Sunday, Sept. 7th, after all Masses in the cafeteria for Coffee & Donuts and blood pressure screenings.

St. Peter Sacred Music Concert Series

The first performance of the St. Peter Sacred Music Concert Series will be held this weekend on September 7th at 3:00 pm. Jesse Mose, our Director of Music & Liturgy, will present an organ recital featuring organ repertoire spanning all of music history. Please see the Parish Facebook Page or grab a flyer in the narthex for more details. We hope to see you there!

St. Veronica Guild

The St. Veronica Guild will meet Thursday, 9/11 in the Lower Level of the rectory at 8:30 a.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!

Anniversary Mass for 50 Years or More

On September 21 at 2 p.m. at the Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception in Springfield, all couples married 50 years or more are invited to attend a special Mass honoring their marriage vocation! The Mass will be celebrated by Bishop Thomas John Paprocki. A reception will follow after Mass. Please register for the Mass by going to dio.org/events and clicking on the Sept 21st Mass. The reception will showcase all photos submitted last year. Due to the number of couples attending, please only submit photos if you did not do so last year. Any questions? Call Ruth Staab at 217-698-8500.

St. Francis Job Opening

St. Francis Solanus School invites applications for a part time cook position starting September 12, 2025. The successful candidate will assist the Cafeteria Coordinator in preparing lunches for students and staff. Prior experience in food service is desirable. Completion of a brief food handler training is required. The scheduled hours are 8:00am-1:30pm, with an hourly rate of \$15. per hour. The selected candidate must pass a Springfield Diocese background check, including fingerprints, and an online safe environment before beginning work. Interested applicants may submit a resume to Julie Radel, Principal: jradel@stfrancissolanus.com.

Right To Life Second Annual National Day of Remembrance for Aborted Children Memorial Service

PLEASE join us for Quincy's second annual National Day of Remembrance for Aborted Children memorial service.

Event: National Day of Remembrance for Aborted Children When: Saturday, September 13, 2024, 1:00 pm

Where: Knights of Columbus grounds, outdoors near the entrance to the main building, 700 S. 36th Street, Quincy

Sponsored by: Right to Life of Adams County

Please bring a lawn chair.

More Info: Jean Cook, 217-430-6967

Holy Family Community Picnic in Hannibal

Everyone is invited to a community picnic on Hannibal's riverfront starting at 4 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 13. Join the Holy Family parishioners for a fun afternoon/evening of fellowship, music by Stone Hill, games and food and drink trucks.

Welcome!

Please welcome to our parish family Liberty Balbort and her daughter Charlotte Blankenship; Maty Waterkotte & Aristidis Harris, and their daughters Georgia & Mia!

Baptism

Eve Marie Weiman, daughter of Michael & Amanda (Ehrhardt) Weiman, was made a child of God through the reception of the sacrament of Baptism on Saturday, August 30, 2025.

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 guiet 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: 11am (week 3), 1pm (weeks 2,4) Please consider an hour in the Adoration Chapel. Contact Mary at 217-653-3127, Jean Anne at 217-430-6967 or Gina W. at 217-257-9966.

Wednesday Evening Ladies Bible Study

Ladies, would you like to deepen your faith, learn what the bible can teach us, and talk and share with other women in an easy-going atmosphere? Please consider joining us for the Wednesday Night Bible Study Group. We are starting Sept 17 and meeting from 6 - 7:30 pm. We will be studying "How to Pray Like Mary" by Sonja Corbett. Please email Laurie Kennedy lakennedy589@gmail.com or text 217-779-6552 to sign up or for any questions.

OCIA Program

If you or a family member is considering the Catholic Faith, please join us in our OCIA program. The program started in September. Wonder no longer, come find out what the Catholic faith is all about. Classes start this Tuesday (9/9) 7:00 to 8:30pm, in the Martha Jane room, beneath the church. Contact the parish office at church@cospq.org or 222-3155. You will be glad you did.

Great River Quest

Inviting all 13-15 year olds! Great River Quest has a retreat coming up September 12-13, 2025(6p-6p). It's a fast paced 24 hour retreat aimed at helping youth to examine their relationship to God, self, and others in their lives. You get to make new friends and get to know the ones you come with better, all while having lots of fun!

Please contact Caroline Wiewel 217-430-6086/ questcoordinator@greatrivertec.org for questions or fill out an app online at www.greatrivertec.org/quest.

Andrew Dinner on September 28

Calling all men juniors in high school and above! Join Bishop Paprocki and Priests of the Diocese for an Andrew Dinner at 5:00pm on Sunday, September 28 at St. Rose in Quincy. The Andrew Dinner is a simple/low key gathering where we will pray, share a meal, and have conversations about Priesthood and how best to discern what vocation God is calling you to. If you would like to attend, sign up at this link: https://forms.gle/exdi2Jvrpbo3zNrC7 or email Fr. Zach Samples at zsamples@dio.org. We hope to see you

Parish in Action



MEET US AT THE TENT @ 11TH & JACKSON BY THE TENNIS COURTS

Pack your coolers and lawn chairs and join us for some tailgate fun starting at 5 p.m.! We will be grilling burgers and have yard games for the whole family.

GAME TIME

7 p.m. vs. Alton Marquette @ Advance Physical Therapy Field

BYOB / LAWN CHAIRS Need More Info? Call 217.214.0187



\$15 COUPLE or FAMILY

Price includes burgers / chips / cookies / water

Pay via Venmo to @LaurenCornell89 or cash on the day of the event

*pre-registration required for food count



RSVP REQUIRED!





RSVP

Area Wide Mass at QND

All are welcome to attend the Area Wide Mass on Tuesday, September 23, 2025, at 9:30 am in the QND gym. Staff and students from the 4 Catholic grade schools in Quincy, St. Mary's in Mt. Sterling and QND will gather with family and friends to celebrate the Eucharist and the gift of Catholic education with Bishop Paprocki.

Men's Cursillo #379

Men's Cursillo weekend #379 will be held September 18-21, 2025 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."

Thank You From Birthright

Birthright of Quincy would like to extend our heartfelt thanks to each of you for sharing your time, talent and baked goods for our bake sale at the KC BBQ. Your delicious treats helped make our fundraiser a success and we are truly grateful for your support. The raffle was also a success. Mandy Young was the winner of the dining out package, and Claudia Coggeshall was the winner of the beautiful quilt!

COMMUNITY

EUCHARISTIC ADORATION

ST. PETER CHURCH

Sunday, September 14th Special Reflection by: Coach Jack Cornell 5:45 PM

Music by

Ashleigh Wisslead

Light Refreshments to Follow

All are welcome - come spend time with Our Lord in prayer and fellowship!

Adoration will finish around 7pm with fellowship to follow in the cafeteria