



# St. Peter Parish Quincy, IL

## ~Mass Intentions~

October 6-12, 2025

- 6. Monday 8:00 a.m.  
Luke Mayfield
- 7. Tuesday 8:00 a.m.  
Margaret Frier
- 8. Wednesday 8:20 a.m.  
Ken Wolf
- 9. Thursday 8:00 a.m.  
Joe Penn
- 10. Friday 8:00 a.m.  
Barbara & Ken Wolf
- 11. Saturday 8:00 a.m.  
T.J. Lavery
- 11. Saturday 5:00 p.m.  
Billy Smith
- 12. Sunday 8:00 a.m.  
Priscilla Morrison
- 12. Sunday 9:30 a.m.  
Dr. John Nolan
- 12. Sunday 11:00 a.m.  
Our Parish Family

## — 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-seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time, October 5, 2025*

Dear Parishioners,

Well, we have begun a new month in our Autumn season, that of the month of October. This month should be filled with many signs of the presence of God in our midst as mother nature will begin her preparation for winter with the change of colors that will surround us. I hope that each of you makes a choice to view this change and enjoy the beautiful show that God will present in nature itself.

On this first weekend of October, the Church celebrates the 27th Sunday in what we call “ordinary time.” There are often times in our lives when crosses come our way, when difficulties seem to dominate our lives. Unfortunately, I have found myself in a similar situation with my struggle with cancer. There are times in our lives we just want to say to the Lord, “what’s going on?” Jesus understood the predicament of human beings and seems to challenge each of us. In our gospel, we find the apostles very perplexed with what was going on in their lives. They didn’t understand the things that were happening to them. And so they simply asked Jesus, “Lord, increase our faith.” How many times have we prayed for that in our lives. Even though we might be a person of faith, often times we are challenged to question our own level of faith as we pray, “Lord, increase our faith.” Our gospel tells us today that “if we have faith the size of a mustard seed, we could say to the mulberry tree, ‘be uprooted and planted in the sea,’ and it would obey us.” I would like to think that but perhaps my own lack of faith has me questioning this response of Jesus. But I will continue to trust in Him, knowing that I do not have all the answers and trusting that He does. Until we learn the answers and ask the right questions, we try to do what we have been commanded and say, “we are unprofitable servants; we have done what we were obliged to do.”

Our 8th grade students and their chaperones will be leaving this Sunday, October 5th for their annual trip to Washington D.C. I ask you to remember them in your prayer, asking their Guardian angels to watch over them and return them safely to us the following Friday.

The month of October is dedicated to the Holy Rosary, a powerful prayer entrusted to us by Our Lady. This month invites us to meditate more deeply on the mysteries of Christ through Mary’s eyes. Also, each October the Catholic Church in the United States celebrates Respect Life Month, and the first Sunday of October is designated as Respect Life Sunday. Perhaps as a family we can pray the rosary together with the special intention that through Mary perhaps we might restore a greater respect for all Life. May Our Lady of the Rosary, pray for us.

One of the concerns that I have had for quite a while is the security for our young people and older ones who attend our Masses, be it on the weekend or during the weekday. Unfortunately, we live in a world filled with a lack of respect for life. And so, as a response, I hope to form a committee to help us deal with this concern. Anyone that would like to volunteer time and talents toward this committee, please call me and leave your name and number here at the rectory. I want to make our Church as secure as possible but cannot do it alone.

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Next Meeting  
Sunday, Oct. 12th  
6:30 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.

Meet at Tangerine Bowl

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

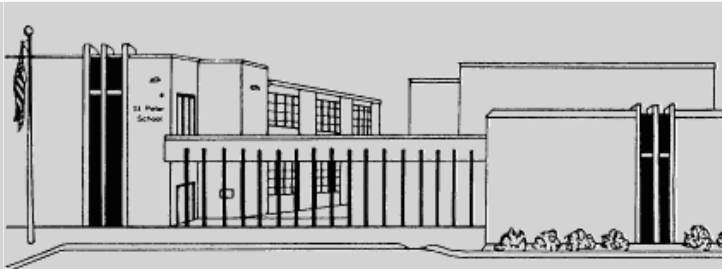


Saints Alive!  
October 9th  
3:00-4:30 p.m.

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 October 5, 2025

## A Message from Mrs. Cindy Venvertloh

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

### CELEBRATING A CITY-WIDE MASS WITH OUR QUINCY CATHOLIC ELEMENTARY SCHOOLS AND MT. STERLING AT QND



### 8th GRADE LEAVE FOR THEIR DC TRIP!

Once again our 8<sup>th</sup> grade class will be traveling to Washington, D.C. This is a once in a lifetime educational experience they will remember for many years. The knowledge they gain on this very fast paced trip is unbelievable! A huge thank you to Mrs. Martin, Mr. VanderBor, and Mr. Dave Cawthon for working with the 8<sup>th</sup> grade and organizing the details of the trip.

Mr. Cawthon took over the planning of the trip in 2004 upon Fr. Bauer's retirement from St. Peter. This has been an amazing educational tradition from year to year for our 8<sup>th</sup> grade students.

The students are very prepared in understanding what they are going to see, what they need to look for in the venues they visit, and the historical content and religious history of what they are touring.

We thank the parents who have agreed to chaperone and we are extremely grateful to the tremendous support Fr. Leo gives us for this trip. The students and chaperones will depart today (Oct. 5). Please keep them in your prayers.



### SCHOOL MENU

**Monday:** French toast sticks, sausage, veggie juice, fruit.  
**Tuesday:** Sloppy joes, au gratin potatoes, romaine salad, fruit.  
**Wednesday:** Dorito walking taco, lettuce/tomato, refried beans, fruit.  
**Thursday:** Hamburger on bun, curly fries, corn, fruit.  
**Friday:** Toasted cheese ravioli, mixed vegetables, pudding, fruit

### THIS WEEK

#### 8th grade DC trip: Oct. 5-10

Monday, Oct. 6: **7th gr. field trip** to Villa Katherine & Woodland Cemetery.

Tuesday, Oct. 7: **QFD Fire Safety House** visiting grades 3 and 5; **7th gr. field trips**—Fr. Leo church tour and Mercantile Bank; **Chess Club parent meeting**—6:30 p.m. in the cafeteria.

Wednesday, Oct. 8: **Children's Mass at 8:20 a.m.** - 3rd grade in charge; **7th gr. field trips**—Log Cabins & Art class with Stephanie Weis.

Thursday, Oct. 9: **Adoration**; PTA meeting 11:00 in the gym kitchen; **7th gr. field trip**—Washington Theatre.

Friday, Oct. 10: **No PM Quincy Public School bus service**; **7th gr. field trip** to All Wars Museum and Bob Mays trail.

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### Fr. Leo's column continued..

One of the most popular events sponsored by our parish is our annual S'More Fun night. This year it will be held on campus by Seton Hall on Sunday, October 19th, from 6:00-7:30 pm. This event will include live music, a hayride, hot dogs & chips, s'mores stations, and hot chocolate. Come and join us for a great time. Please consult the bulletin for further details.

### ON THE LIGHTER SIDE: Matt Groening

#### Quotes:

1. My standard comment is, if you don't want your kids to be like Bart Simpson, don't act like Homer Simpson.
2. I'd be a vegetarian if bacon grew on trees.
3. If God didn't want us to eat cows, why are they made out of meat.
4. A woman knows all about her children. She knows about dentist appointments, soccer games, romances, best friends, location of friend's houses, favorite foods, secret fears and hopes and dreams. A man is vaguely aware of some short people living in the house.
5. Son, if you really want something in life, you have to work for it. Now quiet, they're about to announce the lottery numbers.
6. God often gives nuts to toothless people.
7. Me fail English? That's impossible.

*Mrs. Leo J. Enlow*

### Mark Your Calendar

**Mon. Oct. 6:**  
**Tues. Oct. 7:** Ladies Bible Study 8:30 a.m., Martha Jane Room  
OCIA 7:00 p.m., Martha Jane Room  
**Wed. Oct. 8:** PSR 6:30 p.m., School  
**Thurs. Oct. 9:** St. Veronica's Guild 8:30 a.m., Lower Level Conf. Room  
Saints Alive 3:00 p.m., Martha Jane Room  
**Fri. Oct. 10:** Men's Group 6:00 a.m., Martha Jane Room  
Parish Office Closes at Noon.  
**Sat. Oct. 11:**  
**Sun. Oct. 12:**

Please keep the following in your prayers:

~John & Barb Meyer	~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	~Virginia Hunter	~Bill Morrison
~John Douglas Holford		~Cheryl Liesen
~Sarah Sturhahn Stegeman		~Lori Eaton
~Maria (Eberhardt) Sparrow	~Anonymous	~Ellie Peters
~Linda Mettemeyer	~Don McCleary	~Pat Arnold
~Kristopher Schreacke	~Ian Mehaffy	~Anonymous
~Bonnie Haubrich	~Emmett Hertle	~Mary Neuser
~Dave & Bryce Shank	~Liem Thanh Mai	~Drake Willing
~Winnie Vogel	~Tom Friye	~Rinley Barry

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).

### 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

	September 28	Total to Date
Loose Collections	\$1,134.00	\$15,656.04
Regular Collections	\$21,111.57	\$349,647.87
Annual School Fund	\$3,085.20	\$83,566.00
Holy Days	\$0.00	\$2,558.00
Totals	\$25,330.77	\$451,427.91
Total Budget Goal	\$32,000.00	\$416,000.00
Difference	(\$6,669.23)	\$35,427.91

### Diocesan Collections

Church of Africa: \$70.00 Gaza: \$200.00  
Black & Indian Mission: \$35.00

### Haiti Sister Parish Collections

Collected \$1,471.20



<p><b>Coffee &amp; Donuts, Blood Pressures &amp; Book Fair This Sunday</b> Please join us this Sunday, 10/5, after all Masses in the cafeteria for Coffee &amp; Donuts, blood pressures &amp; book fair.</p>	<p><b>Adoration Chapel</b> Mary, Gina and Jean Anne would like to thank all those who have stepped forward in taking an hour in St. Peter's Adoration Chapel. All open hours have been filled, but we can't stop here. Our ultimate goal is to eventually have the Chapel open again 24/7. WE NEED YOU. But for now, if you are interested in joining us, we are still in need of substitutes to help when an Adorer cannot cover their hour due to sickness, work or other reasons, especially the middle of night hours. Please consider an hour in the Adoration Chapel. Contact Mary at (217) 653-3127, Jean Anne at (217) 430-6967 or Gina at (217) 257-9966. Thank you!</p>
<p><b>Social Concerns Collection</b> Social Concerns is collecting baby shower items (new items for infants: clothes, diapers, wipes, baby shampoo, Vaseline, bottles, etc) this weekend, Oct. 4-5 for the 1st Sunday collection for the Ladies of Charity. Containers will be located in the Narthex. Thank you!</p>	<p><b>Men's Group Fall Session</b> Please join us in fellowship and a joint effort in growing our faith and leadership in our faith as we started the Fall session of the St. Peter's Mens Group on Friday, October 3. We will hear from some of the most prominent voices in Catholic Formation: Father Mike Schmitz, Father Dave Pivonka, Chris Stefanick, and others. The group meets in the Martha Jane room under the church on Friday mornings. Enter through the south door of the church/cafeteria. The door opens at 6:00 am with the meeting beginning at 6:30 am and ending by 7:30 am. Coffee and juice and a light breakfast is served.</p>
<p><b>St. Veronica Guild</b> The St. Veronica Guild will meet <b>Thursday, Oct. 9</b> in the Lower Level of the rectory at 8:30 a.m., making prayer shawls &amp; blankets for those who need to feel the love of Jesus in a time of need. All are welcome, please join us!</p>	<p><b>Upcoming Eucharist Mission at St. Peter Church</b> The St. Peter's Eucharist Revival Ministry was begun by parishioners that were blessed to be able attend the National Eucharist Congress (NEC) in Indianapolis last summer. They came back from Indianapolis with a deepening of their faith in the real presence of Jesus's body, blood, soul, and divinity in the Eucharist and a fire in their hearts to share it. They are bringing a snippet of that experience to St. Peter Church on the afternoon of October 19 from 12:30pm to 3:30pm in the form of a Eucharistic Mission. Father Steve Arisman, pastor of St. Francis Church in Quincy, will be leading our worship. Father Arisman was also blessed to attend the NEC. Father and some of our parishioners will be giving testimony of their experiences at the NEC, sharing the intensity of joy they experienced there, and how their faith in the real presence of Jesus has intensified from that experience. Videos from prominent Catholic leaders who spoke at the conference will be shared. Father will be providing Adoration and Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament to finish the experience with time one on one with Jesus Christ. Come share the joy! This event is free and all area parishes are invited.</p>
<p><b>"A Time To Mourn...A Time to Heal"</b> We are looking at holding bereavement sessions. We are open to those who have lost a loved one whether recently or in the past. If you would be interested in attending, please call the Parish Office at 217-222-3155.</p>	<p><b>Explore Graduate Theology at Saint Meinrad</b> Laity and deacons are invited to an Open House for the Graduate Theology Program of Saint Meinrad Seminary and School of Theology. In-person Sat Oct 11 OR online Wed Nov 19 at 6:30pm CT. Discover how our Master of Arts and certificate programs in theology can deepen your understanding of the faith and support your call to ministry or discipleship. Visit <a href="http://saintmeinrad.edu/openhouse">saintmeinrad.edu/openhouse</a>.</p>
<p><b>Quincy Catholic Chess Club</b> Attention any K-8 students interested in playing chess! Quincy Catholic Chess Club starts on October 7 at 6:30pm at St. Peter's Cafeteria. No cost to join. Don't know how to play chess? We will teach you! We meet on Tuesday evenings. More information: contact Chris Gill at: <a href="mailto:fishgills1208@gmail.com">fishgills1208@gmail.com</a></p>	<p><b>Moving?</b> If you are moving, please call or email the parish office at 222-3155 or <a href="mailto:church@cospq.org">church@cospq.org</a> to give us your new address.</p>
<p><b>QCES Job Opening</b> Quincy Catholic Schools is seeking a half-time Business Manager to support financial operations, budget planning, and HR functions. The ideal candidate will be detail-oriented, mission-driven, and experienced with QuickBooks, FACTS, and financial reporting. Please check QCES website for more detailed information. Salary range is \$17,000-\$22,000, with paid-time-off benefits. To apply, send a cover letter, resume, and references to <a href="mailto:dcgill@quincycatholicschools.org">dcgill@quincycatholicschools.org</a> or call 217-222-2898 for more information.</p>	
<p><b>2025 Life Chain</b> Sunday, October 5, 2:30 pm-3:30 pm, South Side of Broadway between 14th &amp; 18th Streets, Quincy, IL. Right to Life supporters will again join with pro-lifers in hundreds of other U.S. cities in a nationwide observance of the sanctity of life at the 2025 Life Chain. Life Chain is a peaceful and respectful public witness by pro-life Americans standing for one hour praying silently for our nation and for an end to abortion. (Those not able to stand for one hour may bring lawn chairs). Please join the pro-life community in making a visual statement of pro-life solidarity. YOUR participation is crucial. High Visibility--A great opportunity to impact thousands of passers-by with the pro-life message. Please stand two arm-lengths apart. Pick up your sign at the SW corner of 16th and Broadway between 2:00 and 2:30 pm. The National Life Chain signs are provided for each participant by the Right to Life of Adams County.</p>	
<p><b>Birthright Paddles for Purpose</b> Tuesday, October 14th, doors open at 5:30pm, bidding starts at 6:15pm at Eagles main building, 3737 N. 5th, Quincy. 40+ items to bid on. Bring your own snacks &amp; water, drinks are available for purchase at the bar. A very limited amount of quarters will be available for purchase, please bring your own. Multiple vendors to shop.</p>	

# Parish in Action

## S'MORE FUN!

**SUNDAY, OCTOBER 19 - 6:00-7:30 P.M.**

- S'mores Stations
- Cozy Family Time
- Hot Dogs & Chips

- Live Music
- Hayride
- Hot Chocolate

**SIGN UP TO ATTEND**

**\$5 PER PERSON**

**\$15 PER FAMILY**

**ON CAMPUS BY SETON HALL**

**CALL 217.214.0187**

Moving Things Around In The Narthex

We are moving some things around in the narthex. The items that were on the table between the church doors are now locating on the bookshelf just to the south.



All Souls Day Remembrance

To have the names listed in the bulletin the weekend of 11/2, please return this form in the collection by October 26th. You can also email this information to [church@cospq.org](mailto:church@cospq.org). **Please Print**

From: \_\_\_\_\_

In Memory of: \_\_\_\_\_

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