



The Parish of St. Peter Quincy, IL

~Mass Intentions~

August 19-25, 2024

- 19. Monday 8:00 a.m.
Dan Frericks
- 20. Tuesday 8:00 a.m.
Antonio C. Nascimento
- 21. Wednesday 8:30 a.m.
Loren Tournear
- 22. Thursday 8:00 a.m.
Sherrie Craven
- 23. Friday 8:00 a.m.
Don Christ
- 24. Saturday 8:00 a.m.
Frank Poore
- 24. Saturday 4:00 p.m.
David Adam Oakley
- 25. Sunday 8:00 a.m.
Our Parish Family
- 25. Sunday 9:30 a.m.
Wayne & Dorothy Schlipman
- 25. Sunday 11:00 a.m.
Dan Miller

— 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.

Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary Time, August 18, 2024

Dear Parishioners,

Our responsorial psalm seems to summarize both our gospel and our first reading for our Mass this weekend. This responsorial psalm declares, “Taste and see the goodness of the Lord.” Our first reading is from the Book of Proverbs and it presents the Wisdom of God, a wisdom that invites us to her banquet. In this banquet this wisdom of God states: “Come, eat of my food, and drink of the wine I have mixed.” Does this sound familiar to us? It should since that is what we do each and every time that we gather to celebrate the Eucharist. We are invited to come, eat of my food and drink of the wine I have mixed. So often we fail to understand this call to each of us. But the Lord and His wisdom invites us to a meal where the food and drink we share each Sunday is truly the Body and Blood of Jesus. The difficulty is that we need to recognize our own lack of understanding with this meal, not realizing how much we are hungering and thirsting for this Wisdom that God gives to us in this meal. So often our hungering and thirsting seem to reside in the things of this world, the very things that are not lasting but only fleeing. The Eucharist is the one meal that the Church celebrates which opens up our hearts, and lives, to the very wisdom of God, seeking what is permanent and lasting which is what the Bread of Life and the Cup of Salvation is all about.

Our gospel for today continues this theme. Inviting us to “taste and see the goodness of the Lord.” Jesus speaks to us that which Catholics have believed from the very beginning of the Church, namely, that “Jesus is the living bread that came down from heaven; whoever eats this bread will live forever; and the bread that Jesus gives is His flesh for the life of the world.” The difficulty is that many of His disciples thought this was a very hard saying, so much so that many left Him. But Jesus did not soften his language but rather continued to say strongly, “Whoever eats my flesh and drinks my blood has eternal life and I will raise that person up on the last day.” In this statement, we have the wisdom of God presented to us. It is the understanding of the Church that the Eucharist is the Real Presence of Jesus, that when we come forward for Holy Communion, we are receiving the very Body and Blood of Christ. It is not a symbol, but rather the Real Presence of Jesus. This is a hard saying as it was in Jesus’ time but it reflects the wisdom of God, not the wisdom of humankind.

On behalf of our parish family, I want to welcome our visiting Religious Sister from the Benedictine Sisters of Our Lady of Help of Christians. She is here this weekend through the 2024 Missionary Coop Appeal from our diocese. I ask you to open your hearts and your ears to her message and then respond generously to her message.

Next Saturday, August 24th, we will be celebrating our St. Peter Annual Parish Picnic beginning right after the 4:00 p.m. Mass. This picnic will go until Midnight and will involve many games, raffles, silent auctions, much food and drink and music. I invite you to come and join us, bringing your smiles, and welcoming spirit as we try to make this evening a lot of fun and enjoyment. Please help to support our efforts especially in your prayers and volunteering your time.

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Next Meeting
Sunday, August 25th
6:30 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.
Martha Jane Room

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



Saints Alive!
Start Again This Fall
6:00-7:30 p.m. in the Gym

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 these fun evenings in the St. Peter Gym 6:00-7:30 p.m. Wear your Saints Alive Shirt! Please check Facebook for updates.

Mass at 4:00pm on Saturday, August 24th
 Because of the Picnic, our Mass time on Saturday, August 24th, will be at **4:00pm** instead of 5:00pm. There will not be confessions before Mass.

Baptism
Emma Catherine Niemann, daughter of **Adam & Catherine (Swanson) Niemann**, was made a child of God through the reception of the sacrament of Baptism on Sunday, August 10, 2024.

Tuesday Morning Ladies Bible Study
 Topic: When You Pray: A Clear Path to a Deeper Relationship with God by Edward Sri
 When: Every Tuesday starting Sept. 17th – Nov. 12th
 Time: 8:30 am–9:00 am - social, study will start at 9:00 am and end by 10:30 am.
 If interested in joining this study, please contact Gina Bergman at 217-430-6080 or g.bergman@cospq.org by Sept. 1st so we can order materials. Study guide will be \$20. Please also contact Gina by Sept. 1st if you need childcare.

Wednesday Evening Bible Study
 If you would like to meet with great ladies, study the bible, listen to awesome video speakers and grow in your relationship with the Lord, please consider giving us a try. We meet most Wed nights from 6-7:30 pm and are going to study "Fulfilled" Part 2 by Sonja Corbitt starting Sept 18. We will be ordering books in August. If you have any questions, please call/text Laurie Kennedy 217-779-6552 or email lakennedy589@gmail.com.

RCIA Program
 If you or a family member is considering the Catholic Faith, please join us in our RCIA program. The program started in September. Wonder no longer, come find out what the Catholic faith is all about. Classes are on Tuesday evenings 7:00 to 8:30pm, in the Martha Jane room, beneath the church. Contact the parish office at 222-3155. You will be glad you did.

Volunteers needed at Ladies of Charity
 Ladies of Charity is looking for volunteers for both our Thrift Store (24 & Elm) and our Center (4th&State). Most volunteers are women but men are also invited to assist us with some of the heavy lifting jobs. Volunteers typically donate 2 to 5 hours of their time per week. Please call/text either Kathy Obert at 703-786-4788 or Brenda Ehrhardt at 217-257-8832 to learn more.

Little Raiders Soccer Camp
 Learn skills/fundamentals, this fall, K-6th, girls/boys, \$40 incl shirt. Contact Dave White for more info...
davewhite0811@gmail.com 217-653-3586

Please keep the following in your prayers:

~Kristopher Schreacke	~Elias Erd	
~Mario Camacho	~Amy Seibert	
~Hunter Hildebrand	~Isabella Benner	~Jo Buckley
~Diane Wagner	~Mary Lavery	~Nancy Bohan
~Alden & Joyce Shipp	~Ken Althoff	~Julie Eftink
~Donna Schutte	~John & Barb Meyer	~Bill Morrison
~Kathy Schuckman	~Maria (Eberhardt) Sparrow	~Anonymous
~Bonnie Haubrich	~Ian Mehaffy	~Drake Willing
~Valerie Fox Ortbal	~Charlotte Siebers	~Anonymous

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

Welcome!
 Please welcome to our parish family **Ethan Chandler!**

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

Picnic Silent Auction & Raffle Baskets
 We are in need of new silent auction items and baskets of items for our annual Picnic August 24, 2024. Please consider a donation that will help with these two events. Please drop donated items off at the parish office Monday-Friday 8:30am – 4pm. If you have any questions, please contact Randy at randymartin1213@gmail.com or 217-653-3538.

Technology Committee Volunteers Wanted
 St. Peter is looking to start a technology committee! Looking for interested and knowledgeable stewards to meet and discuss our present and future technology needs. Contact a.goerlich@cospq.org for more information.

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!
 OPEN Hours that are available are:
 Wed 1 am, 2 am, 3 am
 Thurs Midnight (week 2,4,5), 1 am (weeks 2,4,5)
 Fri 1 am, 2 pm (weeks 1,2), 6 pm every other week
 Sat Midnight (week 1), 1 am, 2 am, 8 am (weeks 1,3)
 Please consider an hour in the Adoration Chapel. Contact Mary at 217-653-3127 or Jean Anne at 217-430-6967.

Diocesan Council of Catholic Women Convention
 The Springfield Diocesan Council Of Catholic Women are excited to announce their upcoming convention on Wednesday, August 28th, at Lake Williamson Retreat Center in Carlinville, IL. Kelly Wahlquist, speaker, and Donna Cori, singer, will be sharing their message as women who are "Sent On Mission & Fortified By The Eucharist." We are excited about the two speakers we have this year and think many women will be blessed by their message! There will be the church basket silent auction raffle, the quilt and garden statue raffles, vendors and the 50/50 drawing. Signup in the narthex. The annual convention is a rewarding and enjoyable day with our fellow sisters in Christ! Hope to see you in Carlinville on August 28th!

Registration is now open for the Married 50+ Years Mass
 On September 22, 2024 at 2 p.m. at the Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception, 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.
 To register, go to the following link: <https://dio.org/event/mass-for-couples-married-50-years-or-more/> Or go to the Diocese webpage (dio.org), select Events (on the top line), scroll down to Sept. 22 and click on Mass for couples married 50 years or more. For questions, contact Gracie Ortiz at the Diocese at gortiz@dio.org or call 217-698-8500.



The School of St. Peter



Week of August 18, 2024

A Message from Mrs. Cindy Venvertloh

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

THE SCHOOL YEAR HAS BEGUN

Wednesday, August 14th marked the beginning of the 2024-2025 School Year. We welcomed 481 students in grades Preschool through 8th grade. In addition to our returning families many new school families and staff have joined St. Peter!

We graciously thank the St. Peter parishioners for their constant support and prayers for the school.



WELCOME TO THE ST. PETER SCHOOL FAMILY

We are so happy to announce the hiring of Mrs. Connie Schrage as one of our paraeducators. To date all para/teacher aide positions have been filled.

Mrs. Connie Schrage is a lifelong member of St Peter Parish. Her husband's name is George. They have two sons: George (Jenna) and Tim (Heather), who graduated from St. Peter School many years ago. This school year, their granddaughter will be starting in Kindergarten. Connie believes in Catholic education and is happy to help our teachers at St Peter School. We are grateful that she is part of our school family!

SUBSTITUTE TEACHERS NEEDED You will love working with our students and staff!

St. Peter is in need of substitute teachers. If you are interested in subbing for the 2024-2025 school year please contact Mrs. Cindy Venvertloh—Principal or Mrs. Chris Reichert—Assistant Principal at 217-223-1120.

(Requirements to sub include having a bachelor's degree, completing fingerprinting, a background check and safe environment training.)

SCHOOL MENU
Monday: Chicken quesadilla pizza, corn, salsa, fruit.
Tuesday: Hamburger, curly fries, mixed vegetables, fruit.
Wednesday: Sausage/egg biscuit, veggie juice, hash brown, fruit.
Thursday: Hot dog, emoji fries, baked beans, fruit.
Friday: Pepperoni pizza, carrots, yogurt, fruit.

THIS WEEK

Monday, Aug. 19: **All 4yr old's attend** : first full day for Kindergarten; **School Advisory Board mtg 5:30; gym floor construction begins.**

Tuesday, Aug. 20: 3yr old preschool—second 1/2 alphabet attends for am; all attend for pm.: **Kindergarten Parent meeting** from 6-7 pm.

Wednesday, Aug. 21: 8:30 **Children's Mass—7th grade** in charge of planning; **All 3yr old preschool attend.**

Thursday, Aug. 22:

Friday, Aug. 23:
 Saturday, Aug. 24: **St. Peter Picnic** from 5-Midnight.

School of St. Peter
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Quincy, IL 62301
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Website: www.stpeterschool.com
Email: c.venvertloh@cospq.org

Mark Your Calendar

Mon. August 19: Ladies Cursillo 6:00 p.m., Fr. Bauer Prayer Room

Tues. August 20: Tuesday Treats after Mass in Narthex

Wed. August 21: Ladies Cursillo 1:30 p.m., Fr. Bauer Prayer Room

Thurs. August 22:

Fri. August 23:

Sat. August 24: Mass at 4:00 p.m. instead of 5:00 p.m.
Picnic 5:00 p.m. - Midnight

Sun. August 25:


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.

Holy Moments Group
We are looking into starting a weekly informal discussion group based on the book "Holy Moments" by Matthew Kelly. The group would read a few pages from the book and then discuss how God has helped us to recognize and utilize these moments for the good of others. We are looking at meeting on Thursday evenings, around 6:30pm. If you are interested, please call Denny Meyer at 217-926-4829.

Volunteer Needed With Youth Ministry
Do you have a heart for youth ministry? We are looking for someone to coordinate our 4th - 6th grade youth group, Saints Alive. Saints Alive typically meets one Sunday evening a month during the school year. Anyone interested in learning more about what this would entail or if you would like to lead this group, please contact Gina Bergman at 217-430-6080 or g.bergman@cospq.org.

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/FPoland@117>

WEEKLY COLLECTION		
	August 11	Total to Date
Loose Collections	\$1,161.32	\$7,293.48
Regular Collections	\$25,054.00	\$154,543.45
Annual School Fund	\$3,727.00	\$38,361.00
Holy Days	\$206.00	\$296.00
Totals	\$30,148.32	\$200,493.93
Total Budget Goal	\$32,000.00	\$192,000.00
Difference	(\$1,851.68)	\$8,493.93

Diocesan Collections
Catholic Charities: \$55.00

Haiti Sister Parish Collections
Collected \$673.00

Fr. Leo's column continued..

As I have said since we started this picnic that this is a "fun raiser," meaning that our parish family is invited to enjoy each other in an evening of fun. We pray together, we gather to work together, but this night is a time of having fun together. We need plenty of volunteers to staff the various events for the evening and if you haven't been asked to work, please consider calling one of the chairs for an assignment. I want to thank our co-chairs once again for their preparation and coordination of our picnic: Randy and Amanda Martin, James Weisenberger, Clayton and Niki Cawthon, and Teresa and Brian Baker. Please find their emails in the next page if you wish to volunteer for the evening. Whatever the case come out and join us for an evening of fun.

ON THE LIGHTER SIDE: Two medical residents were invited to a costume party after their shift ended. They stopped at the Army/Navy store to see if they could find costumes but only had enough money to buy one pair of fatigues.

But that was okay. One wore the top half and the other words the bottom half...they went as an upper and lower GI.

Quotes from Erma Bombeck: "If the nest is truly empty, who owns all this junk?"
"Encourage independence in your children by regularly losing them in the supermarket."
"It's frightening to wake up one morning and discover that while you were asleep you went out of style."
"I worry about scientists discovering that lettuce has been fattening all along."

Magy. Leo J. Enlow

Parish in Action



St. Peter Picnic
August 24, 2024
5pm to Midnight



Live Music from
The i-Berrys 8:00pm to 11:30pm

Food, Drinks, Games, Silent Auction, Main Raffle

Behind the Church
2600 Main Street Quincy, IL 62301



ST. PETER PICNIC
Food. Fellowship. Fun.

Volunteers Needed

August 24, 2024
5:00pm to Midnight

Sign Up Today!! Either on the sign up link you received in your email, on the parish website (www.cospq.org) under Parish Picnic Sign-Up, or the QR Code below!!



Or contact a chairperson
Games--Randy or Amanda Martin--randymartin123@gmail.com
Drinks or Food--James Weisenberger--jweisenberger@birkeys.com
Setup or Cleanup--Clayton or Niki Cawthon--nikicawthon@gmail.com
Raffles or Auction--Teresa or Brian Baker --tnbbakers@gmail.com