



The Parish of St. Peter Quincy, IL

~Mass Intentions~

January 6-12, 2025

- 6. Monday 8:00 a.m.
Dan Frericks
- 7. Tuesday 8:00 a.m.
Don Adolfs
- 8. Wednesday 8:30 a.m.
Connie Brassfield
- 9. Thursday 8:00 a.m.
Frank Poore
- 10. Friday 8:00 a.m.
Bob & Eileene Anderson
- 11. Saturday 8:00 a.m.
Marjorie Bergman
- 11. Saturday 5:00 p.m.
Our Parish Family
- 12. Sunday 8:00 a.m.
Robert & Joanne
Schlepphorst
- 12. Sunday 9:30 a.m.
Marty Peters
- 12. Sunday 11:00 a.m.
Brett Allen 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.

The Epiphany of the Lord Solemnity, January 5, 2025

Dear Parishioners,

“Rise up in splendor, Jerusalem! Your light has come, the glory of the Lord shines upon you. See, darkness covers the earth, and thick clouds cover the peoples; but upon you the Lord shines, and over you appears His glory. Raise your eyes and look about; they all gather and come to you, your sons come from afar.” On this Solemnity of the Epiphany, the day seems to fulfill these words. This Solemnity celebrates the glorious appearance of the Lord to all humanity and to all of creation. As the glory of the Lord appeared to the Jewish people on Christmas, this day celebrates the glorious appearance to the non-Jewish world represented by the Magi. Between Christmas and Easter, Jesus has entered our world to reconcile Jews and Gentiles, and shows Himself as the Lord of all. The Magi, often called the wise men or three kings, were Gentiles or unbelievers. Something about their observation of the stars led them to the place where they found this newborn Savior. With an act of adoration, they placed before Him gifts of gold, frankincense, and myrrh. Each of these gifts had a special meaning, gold for a king, frankincense for a God, and myrrh, indicating His death and burial. In many of the European countries, this particular Solemnity had greater significance than Christmas itself. And so in the spirit of this Solemnity, I wish each of you a very Merry Christmas.

This coming Sunday, January 5th, I want to invite you to the QND Pancake and Sausage Breakfast being served at QND cafeteria from 8:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. The cost is \$10 for adults and \$5.00 children. The benefits of this breakfast help defray the costs of the Catholic Heart Workcamp this summer.

We have a new contribution envelope company recommended by our diocese. If you currently receive contribution envelopes, you will hopefully be receiving the new January, February envelope in the next week or so. If observant, you will notice that the new envelopes look different. If you do not receive them by this week, please call the parish office. Also, for some of you there was a mix-up at the envelope company itself. Some of you received packets of envelopes for a cathedral in South Dakota. I bet that surprised you! Please throw these away as you will be getting a new packet of the correct envelopes soon. Thank you for having a sense of humor with this mistake.

This past Advent, one of the activities that impressed me the most was the giving wreath project sponsored by our social concerns committee. As usual, our parishioner responded so well to the invitation to make this Christmas special for people who were in need in our community. Our faith goes beyond our Church walls and puts smiles on faces through our generous gift giving. I couldn't believe the number of gifts given. The community organizations that distributed them were also impressed with our generous spirit. So I thank each of you for making this Christmas special for people in need in our community.

Finally I can't say enough about our Christmas decorations. Our Church was beautifully decorated, with careful thought for each decoration, and these decorations reflected the worship of our community. To the committee, to the helpers, to Frericks Garden Center, I say thank you on behalf of all of us.

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

Meet in the Martha Jane Room

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



Saints Alive!
TBA

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
Anna Mae Koetters
and Rose Hockgraver
sing praises with the Angels in Heaven forever.

No Coffee & Donuts in January

Because of the QND Breakfast, we will not have coffee & donuts in January.

Social Concerns Collection

Social Concerns will be collecting adult & kids gloves & hats, adult & kids socks, bedding: sheets, blankets, comforters, mattress covers (new or clean, gently used bedding) this weekend, January 4-5 for the 1st Sunday collection for the Ladies of Charity. Containers will be located in the Narthex. Thank you!

Social Concerns 5th Sunday Collection

January 4 & 5 is the Fifth Sunday collection for the Social Concerns Committee. Please consider making a donation to help support our community. Thank you for your generosity!

St. Veronica Guild

The St. Veronica Guild will meet **Thursday, January 9** 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!

Adoration on January 12

Please join us for Eucharistic Adoration on January 12th 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.

Men's Cursillo 373

Men's Cursillo #373 will be held January 23 to January 26, 2025 at the Franciscan Retreat Center in Quincy. 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.

QND Pancake & Sausage Breakfast

The Annual QND Pancake and Sausage Breakfast will be Sunday, January 5th from 8:30am-12:30pm in the QND cafeteria. The cost is \$10.00 for adults and \$5.00 for children. (Children under 5 eat free). All proceeds benefit the Catholic Heart Workcamp trip this summer.

Please keep the following in your prayers:

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| ~Kristopher Schreacke | ~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 | ~John & Barb Meyer | ~Bill Morrison |
| ~Maria (Eberhardt) Sparrow | ~Butch Ditto | ~Cheryl Liesen |
| ~Sarah Sturhahn Stegeman | ~Bonnie Haubrich | ~Anonymous |
| ~John Douglas Holford | ~Ian Mehaffy | ~Anonymous |
| ~Charlotte Siebers | ~Drake Willing | ~Dave Shank |
| ~Valerie Fox Ortbal | ~Liem Thanh Mai | ~Emmett Hertle |

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



St. Peter Christmas Decorations: We Remember

Fitch and Wood Families

By: Chuck & Meg Fitch
Mr. & Mrs. Henry Hickey and Mr. & Mrs. William Waterman

By: Terry & Debbie Hickey

Tracy Shaw McDonald

By: Stef & Erik Longbrake

Job Opening - Part-time Cafeteria Manager

The St. Peter School Cafeteria Manager will be responsible for reporting and providing State approved meals for the school lunch program. Other duties included but are not limited to cooking, managing employee schedules, and maintaining a clean, safe, and welcoming environment for staff and students.

New Contribution Envelope Company

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Also, there was a mix-up at the envelope company. You will receive a packet of envelopes for a cathedral in South Dakota. Please throw those away. You will also get a packet of our church envelopes at the same time or maybe a few days later.

Tuesday Morning Ladies Bible Study

Tuesday Morning Ladies Bible Study Topic: "Luke: The Story of Salvation Fulfilled" by Jeff Cavins and Dr. Jeffrey Morrow. When: Every Tuesday starting January 14th - March 11th 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 ASAP so we can order materials. Cost will be \$28 (study guide).

Adoration Chapel Open Hours

"Adoration is a sign of devotion to and worship of Jesus Christ under the appearance of the consecrated host." Come spent time in prayer with Jesus.

We have had numerous people step up and take an hour and we are grateful!! Please pray about taking an hour at the Adoration Chapel.

OPEN Hours that are available are:

- Wed 2 am, 3 am, 7pm
- Thurs Midnight (week 2,4,5), 1 am (weeks 2,4,5)
- Fri 1 am
- Sat 1 am, 2 am (starting January)

Ask a friend, spouse, sibling,...to join you in taking an hour or share the time slot! Please call Mary Voorhis 217-653-3127 or call or text Jean Anne Cook at 217-430-6967 or call or text Gina Wolf at 217-257-9966 with questions.

Theology on Tap - Kingdoms in Conflict

Join area Catholics on Tuesday, **January 7 from 6:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.** at The Fuzzy Bubbler (111 Jail Alley) for Theology on Tap to Quincy. Dr. Daniel Strudwick will discuss the spiritual battle between the Kingdom of God & the Kingdom of Darkness. Drinks will be available for purchase beginning at 6:00 p.m. The talk will begin at 6:35 p.m. and will be followed by a period of Q&A.

The School of St. Peter



Week of January 5, 2025

A Message from Mrs. Cindy Venvertloh

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

CONGRATULATIONS 6th GRADE



We congratulate our 6th grade students for graduating from D.A.R.E this past December. They were instructed by Officer Amber Haistings for a total of 10 weeks. All students composed an essay stating the importance of making good decisions in their lives. Mary V. was chosen as the winner of the essay contest! Thank you 6th grade—you make us so proud!



CHRIS CAKES RETURNS to KICK OFF CATHOLIC SCHOOLS WEEK

Please mark your calendars to attend our 12th annual pancake breakfast Sunday, January 26th from 8:30 am - 1:00 pm. This event will be held in the St. Peter gym. Chris Cakes will again be cooking, serving and tossing pancakes! Breakfast cost is \$7.00 per plate for every person over 2 years old. Children 2 years and younger eat free. As long as you keep your plate your breakfast will be all you can eat!! More information about this yummy event will be coming and we will have information on volunteer opportunities available soon.



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:** No School
- Tuesday:** Pepperoni pizza, peas, yogurt, fruit.
- Wednesday:** Salisbury steak, mashed potatoes, mixed vegetables, fruit.
- Thursday:** Nachos, corn/black beans, salsa, fruit.
- Friday:** French toast sticks, sausage, veggie juice, fruit.

EVENTS FOR THE WEEK

WELCOME BACK!!

- Monday, Jan. 6: **Teacher In-service**
- Tuesday, Jan. 7: **School resumes** with full bus service; **St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Feast Day**—students in this house wear house shirts with dress code bottoms.
- Wednesday, Jan. 8: **8:30 Children's Mass**—2nd grade in charge.
- Thursday, Jan. 9: **Adoration**
- Friday, Jan. 10: **Quarter 2** report cards sent home: **House Lunch**—students wear house shirts with dress code bottoms and enjoy lunch together.

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Mark Your Calendar

Mon. Jan. 6:

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

Wed. Jan. 8: Ladies Cursillo 1:30 p.m., Fr. Bauer Prayer Room
PSR 6:30 p.m., School

Thurs. Jan. 9: St. Veronica's Guild 8:30 a.m., Lower Level Conf. Room

Fri. Jan. 10:

Sat. Jan. 11:


Sun. Jan. 12: Adoration 5:45 p.m., Church

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.

Save The Date
Save the date for June 1, 2025 for a celebration of Fr. Leo's 50th anniversary of his Ordination. More details to follow in the future.

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.



St Peter Church, Quincy IL
Church Fund - 8288

Fr. Leo's column continued..

On the page entitled Parish in Action, we are asking you to save the dates for special events taking place during the next several months. Please cut these out and save them on your calendar. Each of these days will add a lot of fun to your lives.

I want to announce that we have hired a new parish nurse. Her name is Sarah Wietholder and she will be working closely with Rebecca Knuffman as she becomes familiar with her new part-time job. I ask you to welcome her and help her in her new ministry within our parish family.

We are still looking for a part-time cafeteria manager for our school cafeteria. Please consult the bulletin for further details if interested.

ON THE LIGHTER SIDE: A kindergarten child is in Sunday School and they have finished their lesson and so their teacher has asked them to draw a picture of the manger scene. The children worked on their pictures and as they finished they wanted to show them to their teacher. She surveyed all the pictures of the manger, with baby Jesus, Joseph, and Mary. Some had the wisemen or angels, most had animals.

But in one young man's picture the teacher noticed a single, chubby man standing at the corner of the stable. The teacher asked, "Who is this, standing back in the corner?"

The child said, "Well, that is 'round John Virgin,' of course."

On the Solemnity of the Epiphany, I wish you a Merry Christmas.

Magi. Leo J. Embury

WEEKLY COLLECTIONS

	December 22	Total to Date
Loose Collections	\$1,265.92	\$28,730.06
Regular Collections	\$46,966.84	\$722,217.85
Annual School Fund	\$39,643.00	\$251,741.60
Holy Days	\$2,623.00	\$14,788.03
Totals	\$90,498.76	\$1,017,477.54
Total Budget Goal	\$32,000.00	\$800,000.00
Difference	\$58,498.76	\$217,477.54

	Dec. 25 & 29	Total to Date
Loose Collections	\$1,023.75	\$29,753.81
Regular Collections	\$37,080.10	\$759,297.95
Annual School Fund	\$9,713.70	\$261,455.30
Christmas Loose	\$3,452.50	
Christmas Collect.	\$32,572.00	
Holy Days	\$280.00	\$51,092.53
Totals	\$84,122.05	\$1,101,599.59
Total Budget Goal	\$32,000.00	\$832,000.00
Difference	\$51,122.05	\$269,599.59

Diocesan Collections
Catholic Home Mission: \$1,458.00 Latin America: \$5.00
Retired Religious: \$255.00 Catholic Times: \$45.00

Haiti Sister Parish Collections
Collected \$1,379.20

Parish in Action



DIocese OF SPRINGFIELD IN ILLINOIS
OFFICE OF THE BISHOP

December, 2024

My dear Friends in Christ,

Catholic Times, the magazine of the Diocese of Springfield in Illinois, has always been a key communication tool for our diocese. Whether it is important announcements, teaching the faith, or inspirational stories, the magazine provides tremendous value to readers. For example, that was apparent this past year with special coverage of the historic National Eucharistic Pilgrimage procession that stopped in seven cities in our diocese.

Catholic Times continues to hear from readers across the diocese that they read it from "cover to cover." In fact, two people specifically told us they "finally understand purgatory" and why we must pray for the dead after Catholic Times offered several pages in a November edition educating people about this aspect of our faith.

For another consecutive year, Catholic Times received national awards from the Catholic Media Association's national awards program. Catholic Times' new website offers a much better user experience that features podcasts, videos, articles, my column, and an easy search tool.

Catholic Times is committed to deepening readers' understanding of the Catholic faith through its Hey, Father! series, tackling complex topics in bioethics, and illuminating the meaning of sacraments, the Mass, and Church teachings. At the heart of the magazine is its feature reporting, which highlights inspiring stories of individuals, parishes, and schools working to advance the Kingdom of God within the diocese. With a strong focus on local coverage, each issue delivers stories that resonate with readers, featuring contributions from both laity and clergy who are integral to the community.

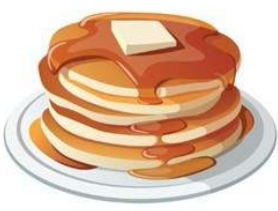
My column, "Lex Cordis Caritas," is one of the best ways I can speak about the issues we face as Catholics and update readers on important decisions I make that impact the faithful.

It is all these reasons why I believe Catholic Times should be available to every household in our diocese, either digitally or by mail.

Sincerely yours in Christ,
Thomas John Paprocki

Most Reverend Thomas John Paprocki, Bishop of Springfield in Illinois

SAVE THE DATE FOR ST. PETER 2025 EVENTS!



SUNDAY | JANUARY 26

PANCAKE BREAKFAST

**FRIDAY
APRIL 25**

PARENTS' NIGHT OUT

**SATURDAY
FEBRUARY 8
QUINCY
BREWING CO.**

HAPPY HOUR

**SUNDAY
MARCH 30**



CHILI COOKOFF

**SATURDAY
MAY 17**

KICKOFF TO SUMMER



BLOCK PARTY