



The Parish of St. Peter Quincy, IL

~Mass Intentions~

April 28-May 4, 2025

- 28. Monday 8:00 a.m.
Mildred Simms
- 29. Tuesday 8:00 a.m.
Anita Lavery
- 30. Wednesday 8:30 a.m.
Loren Tournear
- 1. Thursday 8:00 a.m.
Mary Brahler
- 2. Friday 8:00 a.m.
Ann Anderson
- 3. Saturday 8:00 a.m.
Edgar A. & Virginia R. Newman
- 3. Saturday 5:00 p.m.
Dan Frericks
- 4. Sunday 8:00 a.m.
Paul Poore
- 4. Sunday 9:30 a.m.
Our Parish Family
- 4. Sunday 11:00 a.m.
Zakery Haubrich

— 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.

Second Sunday of Easter, April 27, 2025

Dear Parishioners,

This Sunday we are celebrating the feast of Divine Mercy Sunday. You may ask yourself why Divine Mercy Sunday? On April 30, 2000, Pope St. John Paul II canonized a Polish nun by the name of Faustina Kowalski who had visions and conversations with Jesus during the 1930's. At the age of 18, she left home to go to Warsaw to join the Convent. After two years she was accepted into the congregation of sisters of Our Lady of Mercy. In 1931, she had a vision of Jesus in a white robe with red and pale rays emanating from His heart. You may have seen a painting, or a picture of Jesus based on the vision given to St. Faustina. In the picture or painting, it shows Jesus raising His right hand in a gesture of blessing, with His left hand on His heart from the gush of two rays, one red and one white. The picture or painting has a message, "*Jesus I Trust in You.*"

The red ray symbolizes the blood of Jesus, which is the life-giving source of salvation and forgiveness. It is also associated with the Sacrament of Reconciliation and the Eucharist.

The white ray represents the water that flowed from Jesus' side, which is associated with baptism, repentance, and the purification of souls. It also signifies the grace that God pours out to those who trust in His mercy. At the canonization of St. Faustina, Saint John Paul II said, "Believing in the love of God means believing in His mercy... St Faustina invites us by the witness of her life to keep our faith and hope fixed on God the Father, rich in mercy, who saved us by the precious Blood of His Son our Lord Jesus Christ." St. John Paul II, in canonizing St. Faustina, he designated the Second Sunday of Easter as Divine Mercy Sunday and officially made it part of the church's liturgical calendar. He re-emphasized the message of the feast: "Humanity will never find peace until it turns with trust to Divine Mercy. Divine Mercy! This is the Easter gift that the church receives from the risen Christ and offers to humanity." Devotion to Divine Mercy has grown rapidly over the past few years. We live in a culture that would rather attack and blame others than forgive and show mercy.

On this Divine Mercy Sunday, we are invited to celebrate the boundless Mercy of God. We are called to be a vessel of mercy, extending grace and forgiveness to others as we have received it ourselves. In our Gospel today we are reminded of how Jesus instituted the sacrament of Reconciliation, Sacrament of Divine Mercy. The risen Lord gave the apostle and their successors the power to forgive sins with the words: "*Whose sins you forgive are forgiven, and whose sins you retain are retained*" and the second part of the Gospel present us with doubting Thomas' famous profession of Faith, "My Lord and My God." Jesus shows mercy to doubting apostles and emphasize the importance of faith and trust in Jesus. As we celebrate the Divine Mercy Sunday, we are invited to put our trust and have Faith in God's divine mercy in our daily life by practicing corporal works of mercy and receiving the sacrament of Reconciliation. Let us all entrust our worries, doubts, and cares to the Divine Mercy of God by saying "*Jesus, I Trust in You*" and make a profession of Faith like the Apostle Thomas, "My Lord and My God."

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Next Meeting
Sunday, April 27th
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.

Social Concerns Collection

Social Concerns will be collecting hamburger helper, pasta & pasta sauce with meat, canned fruit and cereal next weekend, May 3-4 for the 1st Sunday collection for the Ladies of Charity. Containers will be located in the Narthex. Thank you in advance!

Coffee & Donuts and Blood Pressures Next Sunday

Please join us next Sunday, May 4, after all Masses in the cafeteria for Coffee & Donuts and blood pressure screenings.

Biscuit and Gravy Breakfast

Hosted by the St. Peter Men's Group
Freewill donation breakfast - Recommend \$5/person over 12.
St. Peter's Cafeteria - Lower level of church.
Food served from 8:30 am to 12:30 pm, Sunday, April 27th.
Coffee and juice included.
Interested in helping serve and enjoy the fellowship please contact Mark Strieker at marklyn2927@gmail.com or text/call 217-316-0080.

Chaddock Collection: Hygiene Products

The Chaddock Outreach Ministry will be collecting hygiene products. Items needed are body wash, shampoo, conditioner, African-American hair care products, lotion, combs/brushes, stick deodorant, toothbrush/paste, shaving cream, razor, and chapstick. Please take a tag from the table in the Narthex. Items can be placed in the box in the Narthex May 10-11. Thank you for being a good neighbor to the residents at Chad-dock.

Divine Mercy Sunday at St. Anthony Church

Plan to join us on Divine Mercy Sunday, Apr. 27, at St. Antho-ny Church. 2:00pm Holy Hour includes Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, Confession & Rosaries, 3:00pm Chaplet of Divine Mercy followed by Benediction, about 3:30pm Divine Mercy Sunday Sundae's in the Quilt Room.

Support Our schools! The Everybody Wins Mega Raffle

This is the ONLY fundraiser that supports ALL K-12 Catholic education in Quincy. To keep our schools strong, **we need YOU - our parish family** - to help us sell tickets! As a way of saying thanks, for every 5 tickets you sell, you'll be entered to win \$4,000 in tuition credit or \$3,000 cash. Tickets are available in the school office, back of church or at the front entrance of QND. www.quincywinsmegaraffle.org. Please turn in the tickets to any of the 5 school offices or the Gene Grawe Fund office.

Please keep the following in your prayers:

~Kristopher Schreacke

~Isabella Benner

~Hunter Hildebrand

~Kathy Schuckman

~Joyce Shipp

~Donna Schutte

~Cheryl Liesen

~Sarah Sturhahn Stegeman

~Maria (Eberhardt) Sparrow

~John Douglas Holford

~Linda Mettemeyer

~Bonnie Haubrich

~Dave & Bryce Shank

~Winnie Vogel

~Elias Erd

~Amy Seibert

~Terri May

~Mary Lavery

~Ken Althoff

~John & Barb Meyer

~Elizabeth Topf

~Pat Arnold

~Ian Mehaffy

~Emmett Hertle

~Liem Thanh Mai

~Tom Friye

~Jo Buckley

~Nancy Bohan

~Julie Eftink

~Bill Morrison

~Roger Voorhis

~Diane Ary

~Ellie Peters

~Julia Maas

~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@cospq.org.

Prayer Requests

Easter Flowers We Remember...

Brian David Reis, Dorothy & Wayne Messick and Helen Rose Brink

By: Ann & Dave Reis, Sue Gray & Families

Turn In Your CRS Rice Bowl

Please turn in your Rice Bowl this weekend April 26 & 27. There should be a basket in front of the ambo/reader podium. Or you can place an envelope in the collection.

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. We need you and are asking for your assistance in getting the hours below filled!
Tues: 1 pm (weeks 1,3,5), 3pm, 8pm, 10pm
Fri: 11 pm
Sat: 1:30 am
Please consider an hour in the Adoration Chapel. Contact Mary at 217-653-3127 or Jean Anne at 217-430-6967.

May 2025 Usher Schedule

Saturday, 5:00 p.m. Mass
Lead Usher: Kent Lepper Ushers: Rick Halter, Bob Rakers, Doug Sperry, John Terstriep
Sunday, 8:00 a.m. Mass
Lead Usher: Tom Hellhake Ushers: John Cunningham, Dave Kuhl, George McDonnell, Kurt Stuckman
Sunday, 9:30 a.m. Mass
Lead Usher: Pat Hibbeler Ushers: Harold Ellerbrock, Mike Lawrence, Brian Untiedt, James Weisenberger
Sunday, 11:00 a.m. Mass
Lead Usher: Steve Koester Ushers: Steve Adair, Tim Hau-brich, Scott Larson, Jim Scott

May 2025 EMHC Schedule

Saturday, 5:00 p.m. Mass - Lou Anderson (1), Veronica & Warren Brush (2 & 3), Ray Koenig (4), Angela Lepper (5), Sharon Mitten (6)
Sunday, 8:00 a.m. Mass - Sara Bradfield (1), Jean Cook (2), Ashley Koettters (3), Tom McLaughlin (4), Lyn & Mark Striek-er (5 & 6)
Sunday, 9:30 a.m. Mass - Ann Gibleon (1), Russ Hinkamper (2), Martin Ohnemus (3), David Penn (4), Chris Robnett (5), Samantha Welch (6)
Sunday, 11:00 a.m. Mass - Michelle & Nathan Bozarth (1 & 2), Jennifer Kewney (3), Sonya Krause (4), Christine Russell (5), Mary Jo Viau (6)

23rd Annual QND Raider Challenge

The 23rd Annual QND Raider Challenge 5k run/walk & 10k run will be held June 14, start time 7:00am at QND, 1400 S. 11th. Signup and support the QND Cross Country Team by visiting the link below. Registration ends June 9 at 7:00pm.
<https://runsignup.com/Race/IL/Quincy/RaiderChallenge>

Gene Grawe Fund Announcement

Please join us Wednesday April 30th for a short informa-tional meeting & announcement of the distributions for the 2025-26 school year for the Gene Grawe Fund. We'll be meeting 6:30pm at St Dominic School. All are welcome & encouraged to attend to learn more how you can help fami-lies pay for Catholic School tuition & to help the Catholic Schools of our parish & QND.

The School of St. Peter

Week of April 27, 2025

A Message from Mrs. Cindy Venvertloh

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

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1st Grade Teacher Opening—We are hiring!

St. Peter School is accepting applications for full-time teaching positions in **grade 1** for the 2025-2026 school year. Applicants must hold an active Illinois teaching license and demonstrate enthusi-asm and dedication to student success. As a Catholic school, we seek educators who are committed to fostering both academic excellence and spiritual growth in a faith-filled environment that supports the values of our Catholic tradition. Interested candidates should submit a cover letter, resume, and three letters of reference via email to c.venvertloh@cospq.org or by mail to **Mrs. Cindy Venvertloh, Prin-cipal, St. Peter School, 2500 Maine Street, Quincy, IL 62301**. For inquiries, please contact the school office at **217-223-1120**. St. Peter School wages are based on years of experience and education rang-ing from \$33,000 to \$70,000 depending upon education and experience. More specific infor-mation will be provided upon request." A summary of benefits can be found at <https://dio.org/wp-content/uploads/2025/01/Benefits-Flyer-1.pdf>

Teacher Aide Opening – St. Peter School

St. Peter School is accepting applications for a teacher aide position for the 2025-2026 school year. Applicants should have experience working with young children, complete a background check and fingerprinting. Interested applicants send a resume and references to Mrs. Cindy Venvertloh 2500 Maine St, Quincy, IL 62301 or c.venvertloh@cospq.org.

SCHOOL MENU

Monday: Corn dog, potato rings, green beans, fruit.
Tuesday: Tenderloin on bun, curly fries, peas, fruit.
Wednesday: Orange chicken, fried rice, veggie juice, fruit.
Thursday: Nachos, corn/black beans, salsa, fruit.
Friday: Pepperoni pizza, yogurt, carrots, fruit.

EVENTS FOR THE WEEK

Monday, April 28:

Tuesday, April 29: Chaddock Puppet Presentation for K-2.

Wednesday, April 30: **8:30 Chil-dren's Mass**—2nd grade in charge of Mass planning.

Thursday, May 1: **HOUSE Scaven-ger Hunt**—students wear HOUSE shirts w/ dress code bottoms; **HOUSE lunch**.

Friday, May 2: **May Crowning** 8:45; QCT play for 3rd-5th.

Hiring for 2025-2026 School Year

We have the following openings
1st grade Teacher
Teacher Aide
Cafeteria Manager

School of St. Peter

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Quincy, IL 62301
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Mark Your Calendar

Mon. Apr. 28:

Tues. Apr. 29: OCIA 7:00 p.m., Martha Jane Room

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

PSR 6:30 p.m., School
Ladies Night Talk 7:00 p.m., Church

Thurs. May 1:

Fri. May 2:

Sat. May 3:

Sun. May 4: Coffee & Donuts and Blood Pressures after all Masses

Fr. Paul's column continued..

We continue to pray for the repose of the Soul of our Holy Father Pope Francis. What happened during consecration at Mass when the priest usually says: Francis our Pope and Thomas John our Bishop or when a Bishop says: Francis Our Pope and me your unworthy servant ...During this period known as "*Sede Vacante*" the seat of Peter is vacant. Until the next Pope is elected, the Pope's name is simply Omitted from the Eucharistic prayer. The prayer continues directly with mention of the local Bishop. No Pope is named at Mass until a new Pope is chosen. It is quite a change, yet deeply symbolic. It is a moment of waiting, a moment of Hope. In summary, when the Pope passes into eternity, there are a series of Rites and traditions govern the period known as "*Sede Vacante*" "*the Seat is Vacant*" the Catholic Church enter a period of Morning, Papal funeral and the Conclave, a process for electing a new Pope.

Let us pray for the repose of the soul of our Holy Father, Pope Francis.



Eternal rest granted to him O Lord and let perpetual light shine upon him. May he rest in eternal peace.

Just an update on Fr. Leo. His surgery went well, he is doing fine. Please continue to pray for his recovery.

Fr. Leo wants everyone to know: He is NOT asking anyone to contact him privately for any special request. Scammers have posed as him, sending messages saying he has an "important favor" or "urgent need." These messages are NOT legit. Please don't reply, click links, or send anything. When in doubt, contact the parish office directly.

Fr. Paul Lesupati

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.

St. Francis Solanus School presents "The Enchanted Bookshop Musical". Characters from treasured children's books come to life in this song-filled and joyful production on Friday, May 2, at 7:00pm, and Saturday, May 3 at 1:00pm. Both performances are in the St. Francis Solanus School Gym, 1720 College Ave. Quincy, Illinois. Admission is by free will donation. It is directed by Jane Ann Petty and assisted by Josh Crowl. Please enter the building through the North doors on College Avenue. Concessions will be for sale at intermission. This play is sponsored by Arts Quincy, Illinois Arts Council, Petty Carpentry, Maas Construction, State Street Bank, MS Communications, and the Allison Holbrook Memorial Scholarship Fund.

Save The Date
Save the date for June 8, 2025 for a celebration of Fr. Leo's 50th anniversary of his Ordination.


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

	April 20	Total to Date
Loose Collections	\$2,751.60	\$49,589.42
Regular Collections	\$27,542.00	\$1,239,933.29
Annual School Fund	\$9,983.55	\$355,614.10
Holy Days	\$18,531.00	\$74,262.92
Totals	\$58,808.15	\$1,719,399.73
Total Budget Goal	\$32,000.00	\$1,344,000.00
Difference	\$26,808.15	\$375,399.73

Diocesan Collections
Seminarians: \$1,118.00
Holy Land: \$1,703.00
Catholic Relief Services: \$120.00
Others: \$25.00

Haiti Sister Parish Collections
Collected \$890.00



Parish in Action

Haiti Sister Parish Update

While the country of Haiti remains chaotic and challenges abound, Fr. Michel remains positive and continues to daily serve God and his people. In addition to offering Mass at Our Lady of the Assumption and his two mountain churches - St. Leo the Great and St. John the Baptist, he oversees and supports two student groups and provides food for his people. Most recently he prepared 32 parishioners for baptism at Easter.

After several St. Peter parishioners expressed an interest in becoming an education sponsor, we approached Fr Michel about increasing the number of eligible students. He agreed. Although this additional responsibility falls upon his shoulders, he recognizes that education is the only way to raise his people from poverty. Beginning with the 2025-2026 school year, we will increase the number of students from 29 to 35. Due to rampant inflation in Haiti we will also raise the cost of a sponsorship from \$325 to \$350. This is the first increase since the inception of our education program. If you are interested in becoming a sponsor, contact Kim Venvertloh (217-779-4678) for further information.

On behalf of Fr Michel, thank you for your ongoing spiritual and financial support.



Invite your friends and join us for Ladies Night Surrender and trust in Him

Wednesday, April 30th

St. Peter Church
7pm

Kristina Radley returns to share her faith, humor and love for Jesus!

Speaker Music Adoration Desserts & Fellowship

All are welcome!

Uplift Your Priest Week

Uplift Your Priest Week begins on Sunday, April 27th. We would like to lift our priests up in prayer during this week and we need your help. The table in the narthex has prayer commitment cards that you can fill out and place in the provided container. These cards will then be delivered to our priests on Monday, the 28th so they can see all of those who are praying for them during the week. Please stop at the table anytime between now and April 27th to fill out a card. They do so much for us, let us lift them up to our Lord in a big way that week!



sign up here!