



St. Peter Parish Quincy, IL

~Mass Intentions~

Dec. 29-Jan. 4, 2026

- 29. Monday 8:00 a.m.
Nancy Scholz
- 30. Tuesday 8:00 a.m.
Don Adolfs
- 31. Wednesday 8:20 a.m.
Luke Mayfield
- 31. Wednesday 5:00 p.m.
Luke Mayfield
- 1. Thursday 8:00 a.m.
Pat Ellerbrock
- 1. Thursday 10:00 a.m.
Dennis Buckley
- 2. Friday 8:00 a.m.
QND Class of 1960
- 3. Saturday 8:00 a.m.
Joe & Anita Lavery
- 3. Saturday 5:00 p.m.
Karen Wiewel
- 4. Sunday 8:00 a.m.
Patricia Pannkuk
- 4. Sunday 9:30 a.m.
Our Parish Family
- 4. Sunday 11:00 a.m.
Jerry Eberhardt

— 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.

The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph Feast, December 28, 2025

Dear Parishioners,

This weekend after Christmas, we gather to celebrate the Feast of the Holy Family of Jesus, Mary, and Joseph. This feast celebrates the fact that Jesus came into the world within the context of a family, and that family would mold and fashion this Son of God into the man of faith, hope, and love that He would become. This family of Jesus, Mary, and Joseph offer our families an example of what it means to live in holiness and faith. The first thing we notice is that this holy family knew its own share of heartache, challenge, and hardship. As we hear in our gospel today that they were forced to travel far from home during the riskiest time of Mary's pregnancy, leading to their Son's birth in a rough place and in conditions less than ideal. Shortly after the birth, they are told that they must flee for their lives and the life of their newborn Son. They travel in haste to a distant land until they receive the message that it is safe for them to return. Their challenges resemble the challenges we experience in our own families.

This Feast of the Holy Family holds up for us their example of simple trust and openness to God, and the faith which they shared. They show us that our families, even in times of challenge or uncertainty, can also be holy families— settings in each of us can grow in kindness, humility, gentleness and peace.

On this Feast of the Holy Family, I want to let you know that each of you will be remembered in my prayers. As I reflect upon my parish family, I realize the holiness that exists in each of your lives. May that holiness continue to permeate your lives as you share it with others. On this feast of the Holy Family, this is my prayer for you:

“We bless your name, O Lord, for sending your own Incarnate Son to become part of a family, so that, as He lived its life, He would experience its worries and its joys.

We ask you, Lord, to protect and watch over this family, so that in the strength of your grace its members may enjoy prosperity, possess the priceless gift of your peace, and, as the Church alive in the home, bear witness in this world to your glory.

May the Lord Jesus, who lived with His holy family in Nazareth, dwell also with your family, keep it from all evil, and make all of you one in heart and mind. Amen.

As usual, our Church was beautifully decorated for Christmas on the outside as well as the inside. I am so proud of people who know how to decorate in a simple but glorious fashion. Our decorations are so welcoming and display the mystery of Christmas in such a simple but glorious way. Thank you for making our Christmas celebration a liturgy of class and beauty.

I also want to thank our choirs for enhancing our liturgies with their gift of song. Through your participation, you put each of us in the spirit of Christmas. Thank you for sharing your gifts with all of us.

Again, to each and every one of you, I want to wish you a very Blessed and Merry Christmas.

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Next Meeting
Sunday, Jan. 11th
6:30 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.
Meet in Martha Jane Room

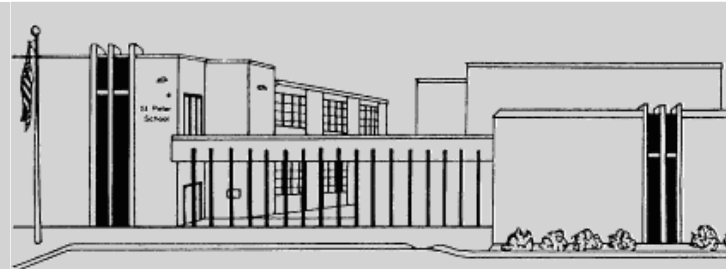
All 7th, 8th, & 9th graders & their friends welcome!



Saints Alive!
TBD
6:00-7:30 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 December 28, 2025

A Message from Mrs. Cindy Venvertloh

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

7th graders wrapped up their cell unit with an incredible 3D cell project!

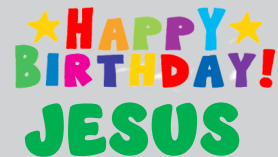


CONGRATULATIONS 6th GRADE DARE GRADUATES



Christmas Break

December 19–January 5



Merry Christmas!

The teachers and staff of St. Peter School wish to extend to everyone a very Blessed and Merry Christmas! May you and your family keep Jesus in your hearts throughout this joyful season!

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Fr. Leo's column continued..

Just a reminder that next Thursday, January 1st, is a Holyday of Obligation for all Catholics as we celebrate the Solemnity of Mary the Mother of God. Our Mass schedule will be as follows: Vigil Mass for the Holyday, Wednesday, December 31st will be at 5:00 p.m. Then our Mass on the Holyday itself, January 1st, will be at 8:00 and 10:00 a.m. Please join us as we celebrate this Solemnity of Mary the Mother of God.

ON THE LIGHTER SIDE: Rules for buying gifts for men:

1. Never buy a man anything that says, "some assembly required" on the box. It will ruin his special day and he will always have parts left over.
2. When in doubt, buy him a cordless drill. It does not matter if he already has one. I have a friend who owns 17 and he has yet to complain. As a man, you can never have too many cordless drills. No one knows why.
3. If you are really, really broke, buy him anything for his car. A 99 cent ice scraper, a small bottle of de-icer, or something to hang from his rear view mirror. Men love gifts for their cars. No one knows why.
4. Rope. Men love ropes. It takes us back to our cowboy origins, or at least the Boy Scouts. Nothing says love like a hundred feet of 3/8 manila rope. No one knows why.
5. Buy men label makers. They are almost as good as cordless drills. Within a couple of weeks there will be labels absolutely everywhere. Socks, Shorts, Cups, Saucers, Door, Lock, Sink. You get the idea. No one knows why.

Magr. Lisa J. Enlow

Mark Your Calendar

- Mon. Dec. 29:
- Tues. Dec. 30:
- Wed. Dec. 31: Mass at 5:00 p.m.
Parish Office Closed
- Thurs. Jan. 1: Masses at 8:00 & 10:00 a.m.
Parish Office Closed
- Fri. Jan. 2: Parish Office Closed
- Sat. Jan. 3:
- Sun. Jan. 4:

Please keep the following in your prayers:

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| ~John & Barb Meyer | ~Elias Erd | ~Jo Buckley |
| ~Isabella Benner | ~Amy Seibert | ~Nancy Bohan |
| ~Hunter Hildebrand | ~Terri May | ~Julie Eftink |
| ~Kathy Schuckman | ~Mary Lavery | ~Bill Morrison |
| ~Darin & Cathy Green | ~Joyce Shipp | ~Cheryl Liesen |
| ~Donna Schutte | ~Virginia Hunter | ~Lori Eaton |
| ~John Douglas Holford | ~Norman Kemner | ~Ellie Peters |
| ~Sarah Sturhahn Stegeman | ~Pat Arnold | |
| ~Maria (Eberhardt) Sparrow | ~Ken Althoff | |
| ~Linda Mettemeyer | ~Don McCleary | |
| ~Anonymous | ~Abram Kelle | |
| ~Jordyn Holtmeyer | ~Ian Mehaffy | ~Dick Hopkins |
| ~Bonnie Haubrich | ~Emmett Hertle | ~Mary Neuser |
| ~Winnie Vogel | ~Tom Friye | ~Rinley Barry |



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

Loose Collections	Because of the Holiday, December 20th/21st & Christmas collections will be in a later bulletin.	
Regular Collections		
Annual School Fund		
Holy Days		
Totals		
Total Budget Goal		
Difference		

Diocesan Collections

Haiti Sister Parish Collections

<p>New Year's Mass Times New Year's Eve (12/31): 5:00 p.m. New Year's Day (1/1): 8:00 & 10:00 a.m.</p>	<p>Adoration Chapel Open Hours 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 hour below filled! Wednesday: 2:00-3:00am, 3:00-4:00am Friday: 1:00-2:00am Saturday: 2:00-3:00pm 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 W. at (217) 257-9966. Thank you!</p>
<p>EMHC & Usher Sign Up for New Year Masses We need Eucharistic ministers and ushers for the New Year's Eve and New Year's Day Masses. Please signup in the Narthex if you can help. Thank you!</p>	<p>January 2026 Usher Schedule Saturday, 5:00 p.m. Mass Lead Usher: Steve Sturhahn Ushers: Dave Reis, Ray Koenig, Bob Rakers, Rodney Becks Sunday, 8:00 a.m. Mass Lead Usher: Tom Hellhake Ushers: Nick Terwelp, Gary Zanger, John Cunningham, Nathan Koetters Sunday, 9:30 a.m. Mass Lead Usher: Robert Johnson Ushers: Jil Johnson, Eric Kasparie, Martin Ohnemus, Jeremy Stegeman Sunday, 11:00 a.m. Mass Lead Usher: Steve Koester Ushers: Jim Deters, Gary Fricke, Steve Adair, Tim Haubrich</p>
<p>Parish Office Closed The Parish Office will be closed Wed., 12/31 thru Friday 1/2.</p>	<p>January 2026 EMHC Schedule Saturday, 5:00 p.m. Mass – Tom Klene (1), Sharron Mitten (2), Helen Terstriep (3), John Terstriep (4), Holy VanderBol (5), Kent Anderson (6) Sunday, 8:00 a.m. Mass – Connie & George Schrage (1 & 2), Katie Stegner (3), Mark Strieker (4), Nina Taylor (5), Lori Terwelp (6) Sunday, 9:30 a.m. Mass – Lanie Mast (1), Maria Mast (2), Sharron & Steven Shaw (3 & 4), Laurie Stegeman & Martin Stegeman (5 & 6) Sunday, 11:00 a.m. Mass – Michelle & Nathan Bozarth (1 & 2), Dianne Deters & Jim Deters (3 & 4), Monica Epping (5), Julie Radel (6)</p>
<p>Social Concerns Collection Social Concerns will be collecting adult/kid gloves & hats, adult/kid socks, bedding: sheets, blankets, comforters, mattress cover next weekend, January 3-4 for the 1st Sunday collection for the Ladies of Charity. Containers will be located in the Narthex. Thank you in advance!</p>	<p>St. Peter Men's Group New Initiative We are excited to announce that the St. Peter Men's Group will be starting a new initiative in 2026. The new group name is The Rock: Men of St. Peter. Please look for upcoming information with new events and programs that will be available for all men of the parish. There will be something for all men to engage in worship, fellowship, service, and faith formation to enhance their spiritual journey together. Contact Doug Greenwell 217-242-4518 or Mark Strieker 217-316-0080</p>
<p>2026 Calendars We now have the new 2026 calendars in the Narthex. Please take one. If you know someone in a nursing home, or that is staying at home right now, take one for them too.</p>	<p>Blessed Sacrament Scouts Christmas Tree Pick-up Scout BSA Troop 1 from Blessed Sacrament Parish is holding their annual Christmas tree pick-up on Saturdays Jan. 3 & 10. Fee is \$10. All tinsel, decorations, lights and stand must be removed from trees. To schedule pick-up: Venmo your name, address, phone number & payment to @Amanda-Doellman or call/text 573-494-2941. Please have your tree outside by 8:00 a.m. on your scheduled pick-up day. Thank you for supporting scouting!</p>
<p>St. Peter Pancake & Sausage Breakfast Jan. 25th The Rock: Men of St. Peter is hosting a pancake and sausage breakfast on January 25, 2026 from 8am to 12:30 pm. This event will help kickoff Catholic Schools Week.</p>	<p>Blessed Sacrament Job Opening Blessed Sacrament Church is seeking to fill the role of full time Parish Secretary to support the daily operations of our parish. This position is open for immediate hire. The role is ideal for someone who enjoys working with people, has strong administrative skills, and is comfortable using technology and databases to keep parish life running smoothly. For more information, please contact Audreana Derhake at 217-222-2759 or faithformation@blessedscs.org.</p>
<p>Don't Forget to Turn in Your Commitment Card We're still in the midst of our annual Stewardship Renewal. If you haven't returned your Commitment Card or completed one online at the parish website, www.cospq.org, it is NOT too late.</p>	<p>Our New Website for Church and School We are excited to announce that our new website, www.stpeterquincy.com, will be launching on January 12, 2026. This website will be replacing both the current church website, www.cospq.org, as well as our school website, www.stpeterschool.com. Please update your bookmarks accordingly. For questions, please contact Andrew Goerlich at 217-222-3155 or a.goerlich@cospq.org.</p>
<p>QND Pancake & Sausage Breakfast The Annual QND Pancake and Sausage Breakfast will be Sunday, January 11th 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.</p>	<p>QND Cheerleaders' Winter Camp The QND Cheerleaders will be hosting their annual winter camp for ages 3 through 8th grade on January 17th. Check in starts at 5:30. Camp is \$35 and includes t-shirt, pizza, snacks and admission to the game. Campers will perform at half time of the Varsity basketball game. Use the link to register by January 14th to guarantee t-shirt size. Walk ins are welcome. Questions contact QNDCheer@QuincyNotreDame.org. https://forms.gle/2u6EUSCbPAz84WXw8</p>

Parish in Action

**WE'RE EXCITED TO ANNOUNCE
 NEW YEAR, NEW SPARK
 2026**

3 simple dates
 to a *stronger connection*

FREE CHILDCARE!

A CHANCE TO CONNECT AND ENJOY!

REGISTRATION COMING SOON!

WE WANT TO REMOVE BARRIERS AND MAKE IT POSSIBLE FOR COUPLES TO PRIORITIZE THEIR MARRIAGE IN 2026 WITH A SERIES OF 3 MONTHLY DATE NIGHTS!

Pick up chalk after Mass Jan. 3-4.

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Chalking of the Doorway

Use chalk, blessed by our priests, to inscribe this message above your doors on the Feast of the Epiphany

Jan. 6, 2026

as a request for Christ to bless your home, those who dwell there, and those who enter throughout the entire year.