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Diocese of Springfield in Illinois

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Mass Times:

Weekday Mass: Monday through Saturday: 8:00 a.m. Except Wednesday 8:30 a.m. Sunday Mass: Sat.: 5:00 p.m. Sunday: 8:00 a.m., 9:30 a.m., 11:00 a.m.

Reconciliation:

Saturday 7:30-7:50 a.m., 3:30-4:30 p.m., or by appointment.

Sacramental Preparation:

Baptisms: Please contact the Parish Office to sign up for Baptism Class. *Weddings:* Please contact a St. Peter Priest at least six months in advance. *Sacramental Prearation:* Is offered through St. Peter School and the St. Peter Parish School of Religion.

R.C.I.A.: Please contact the Parish Office.

To Join St. Peter Parish:

Please phone the Parish Office at 222-3155 Monday through Friday from 8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Baptism of the Lord JANUARY 9, 2022

Isaiah 42:1-4,6-7 or Isaiah 40:1-5,9-11; Acts 10:34-38 or Titus 2:11-14; 3:4-7; Luke 3:15-16,21-22

The baptism of Jesus was his inaugural as the Suffering Servant of the Lord. Every prophet had an inaugural experience. Jesus' inaugural comes at his baptism. He identifies himself with sinful mankind by accepting a baptism leading to repentance and forgiveness. In so doing, he takes upon himself all the suffering and sins of the whole world.

The "Suffering Servant Songs" in Isaiah (of which our first reading is the first) tell of an "everyman" figure who humbles himself, who is gentle, and who takes all evil unto himself; by his own suffering, he vicariously heals all. This Suffering Servant Song begins with the words "Here is my servant whom I uphold, my chosen one with whom I am well-pleased." In the original languages, these are almost identical with the words of the Father in the Gospel.

The Gospel according to Luke emphasizes the power of the Holy Spirit. In the baptism of Jesus, Luke emphasizes that the Spirit comes upon Jesus. Henceforth, everything he does is in the power of God. The dove was the symbol of Israel. The dove here may symbolize that Jesus becomes Israel personified – or the new Israel. In himself he will save all.

The second reading is the story of the conversion of Cornelius. God is no respecter of persons; Jesus came to save all peoples of all times and places.

In our baptism, we are freed from sin precisely because in his baptism Jesus took to himself the suffering and sinfulness of the world. Jesus' other "baptism" is when he gives his life for the sake of us all; he strips away all sin and nails it to the cross. Through this "baptism" he empowers the sacraments to be signs of his salvation among us.

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The Parish of St. Peter Quincy, IL

~ *Mass Intentions* ~ *January 10–16, 2022* **10. Monday 8:00 a.m.** Joseph Schmidt **11. Tuesday 8:00 a.m.**

- Special Intention
- 12. Wednesday 8:30 a.m. Ross Evans
- **13. Thursday 8:30 a.m.** Luke Mayfield
- 14. Friday 8:00 a.m. Vernon Pautz
- **15. Saturday 8:00 a.m.** Anita Lavery
- **15. Saturday 5:00 p.m.** Our Parish Family
- 16. Sunday 8:00 a.m.Diane Bucher (living)16. Sunday 9:30 a.m.
- Patti Lake
- 16. Sunday 11:00 a.m. Mildred "Millie" Meyer

— Mass Schedule —

Monday-Saturday 8:00 a.m. Wednesday & Thursday 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 Baptism of the Lord - Feast, January 9, 2022

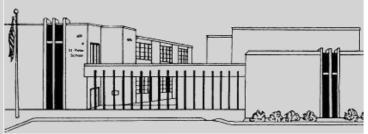
Dear Parishioners,

With the celebration of the baptism of Jesus this weekend the Church continues to celebrate another epiphany in the life of Jesus. This particular epiphany recalls to mind when Jesus entered into the waters of the Jordan River, sinless though He was, to take upon Himself all the sins of humankind. Through being baptized by John, Jesus shows Himself as the Savior of the world, accepting our sins, nailing them to the cross, and saving us from them. With this celebration we are recognizing that we cannot save ourselves, but it took God becoming one with us to save us from ourselves. And so today as we celebrate this second epiphany, Jesus appears as our Savior and our Redeemer.

After being baptized by John our Scripture tells us of three events that follow that baptism. The first event was that the heavens were opened. This event recalls to mind that the heavens were closed, as sin separated us from the God who created us, who loved us. People cried, as the psalmist would tell us, asking God to tear open the heavens and somehow save us from ourselves. Thus, through His baptism the Word of God comes down among us and dwells in our midst, becoming our Savior and Redeemer. The second event was that the Holy Spirit descended upon Jesus in a bodily form like a dove. But this second event reflects a new creation. Just as we heard in the book of Creation, in the book of Genesis, God hovered over the chaos of the world and established order. The same God, in the bodily form like a dove, hovers over Jesus and establishes this new creation, a new beginning of grace as God takes it upon Himself to be our Savior. The third event is the words that we hear coming from heaven, "You are my beloved Son; with you I am well pleased." This final event leads us to realize that our God dwells among us, draws us ever closer to Him, if we only listen and heed the words of Jesus. And so today as we celebrate the baptism of Jesus, we remember what Jesus has done for us, the invitation that He has given to us to be one with Him, and the challenge that we have to listen to His words and to follow them. If we do that, we begin to understand this second epiphany called the baptism of Jesus.

During this past month of December, during the season of Advent, we were able to celebrate the Sacraments of First Communion as well as the Sacrament of Confirmation for all of our students in Saint Peter School. I found this to be a very moving experience for me as a pastor and as a priest as we were able to get our kids caught up with all the sacraments appropriate to their age. This means that students in our 2nd grade class will now be celebrating their Sacrament of First Communion as well as the Sacrament of Confirmation sometime next year at the Cathedral in Springfield. Hopefully, we will be able to do that as a class together at one time.

The School of St. Peter



Week of January 9, 2022 **A Message from Mrs. Cindy Venvertloh**

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

7th GRADE STUDENTS SHARE THEIR KNOWLEDE ABOUT EUROPE



During the second half of quarter 2, the seventh grade learned about Europe. The students chose a country to research. At the end of the unit, students compiled the information they learned and created a presentation along with a food from their country. Eighth grade along with the Seton Hall teachers, Mrs. Venvertloh and Mrs. Reichert, were able to visit each presentation and learn about the European country as well as sample the food.

IMMEDIATE TEACHER AIDE OPENING

Would you like to work in a supportive, caring environment with great students and teachers? St. Peter School has an immediate opening for a teacher aide. Duties include assisting teachers and students in grades 4 and 6 from 8:00–12:00, Monday – Friday. If you are interested or know of someone who may be interested, send a resume along with two or more references to Mrs. Cindy Venvertloh at either 2500 Maine Street, Quincy, IL 62301 or c.venvertloh@cospq.org.

DAYCARE COORDINATOR POSITION OPEN FOR 2022-2023 SCHOOL YEAR

We are looking for a DAYCARE COORDINATOR for the 2022–2023 School Year. Hours of work take place from 6:30 a.m. – 8:00 a.m. and from 2:15 p.m. – 5:45 p.m., Monday–Friday. Duties include: providing a safe and enjoyable environment for students and daycare staff, supervising daycare staff and assigning tasks, printing out weekly attendance, working with kitchen manager to provide snacks, billing families for daycare use, familiarizing oneself with students and parents, having computer skills, maintaining a clean environment, cleaning and sanitizing work area, and providing activities for 50–70 students in graders Preschool 4's–8th grade. If you are interested or know of someone who may be interested in this position, send a resume along with two or more references to Mrs. Cindy Venvertloh at 2500 Maine Street, Quincy, IL 62301.

CATHOLIC SCHOOLS WEEK 2021

National Catholic Schools Week is quickly approaching! Catholic Schools Week is the annual celebration of Catholic education in the United States. It begins the last Sunday in January and runs all week (January 30 – February 5, 2022). Through various events St. Peter School will focus on the value Catholic education provides to young people and its contributions to our church, our communities, and our nation.

MENU

Monday: Bacon/egg/cheese biscuit, tator bites, mixed fruit, side kick.

Tuesday: Corn dog, baked beans, veggie boat/dip, frozen fruit cup.

Wednesday: Pasta w/ meat sauce, romaine salad, bosco stick, sorbet cup.

Thursday: Hot ham/cheese sandwich, chicken noodle soup, crackers, apple slices/ dip, razzy juice. Friday: No School.

WHAT IS HAPPENING THIS WEEK?

Monday, Jan. 10:

Tuesday, Jan. 11:

Wednesday, Jan. 12: 8:30 a.m. Children's Mass for grades K, 3 ,5 and 6; 6th grade in charge of planning.

Thursday, Jan. 13: 8:30 a.m. Children's Mass for grades 1, 2 , 4 ,7 and 8.

Friday, Jan. 14: **NO SCHOOL** – Professional Development Day for teachers.

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Mark Your Calendar

Mon., Jan. 10:

Tues., Jan. 11: Novena – 8:30 a.m., Church RCIA – 7:00 p.m., Martha Jane Room

Wed., Jan. 12: Ladies Cursillo – 1:30 p.m., Fr. Bauer Prayer Room PSR – 6:15 p.m., School

Thurs., Jan. 13: Cribbage – 1:00 p.m., Martha Jane Room St. Veronica's Guild – 1:00 p.m., Lower Level Conf. Room

Fri., Jan. 14: Fellowship Friday – 8:30 a.m., Narthex

Sat., Jan. 15: Rosary – 7:30 a.m., Church

Sun., Jan. 16:

Fr. Leo's column continued..

One of the great pluses that we have as a parish and school is a strong daycare program. Our current daycare coordinator is retiring after many years of service to our parish and school. I want to thank Loretta Goehl for her role in this ministry. I truly appreciate all that she has done to make our program so successful. In light of that, we are looking for someone who might be interested in assuming this role. If interested, please contact Cindy Venvertloh, our principal. For more information, please see our bulletin's school page.

ON THE LIGHTER SIDE: A man is driving down a country road when he spots a farmer standing in the middle of a huge field of wheat. He pulls the car over to the side of the road and notices that the farmer is just standing there, doing nothing, looking at nothing. The man gets out of his car, walks all the way out to the farmer and asks him, "Excuse me mister, but what are you doing?"

The farmer replies, "I'm trying to win a Nobel Prize."

"How?" asked the man, puzzled.

"Well, I heard they give the Nobel Prize...... (get ready).... to people who are out standing in their field." hahaha

Mags. Les J. Enlow

– Mass Servers —

Not Assigned At This Time But Can Sign Up Online for Weekdays and Weekends

– Daily Mass Ministry Schedule —

Not Assigned At This Time

WEEKLY COLLECTION

	December 26	Total to Date
Loose Collections	\$825.75	\$23,246.12
Regular Collections	\$35,948.81	\$730,700.52
Annual School Fund	\$52,505.00	\$237,086.60
Holy Days	\$38,263.07	\$47,382.07
Totals	\$127,542.63	\$1,038,415.31
Total Budget Goal	\$32,000.00	\$832,000.00
Difference	\$95,542.63	\$206,415.31

December 26

Diocesan Collections

Dependent Children: \$1,620.00 Retired Religious: \$102.00

Haiti Sister Parish Collections

Collected: \$671.69.00

WEEKLY COLLECTION

	January 2	Total to Date
Loose Collections	\$787.74	\$24,033.86
Regular Collections	\$43,132.12	\$773,832.64
Annual School Fund	\$10,123.50	\$247,210.10
Holy Days	\$2,355.00	\$49,737.07
Totals	\$56,398.36	\$1,094,813.67
Total Budget Goal	\$32,000.00	\$864,000.00
Difference	\$24,298.36	\$230,813.67

<u>January 2</u>

Diocesan Collections

Catholic Times: \$265.00 Dependent Children: \$475.00 Retired Religious: \$70.00 World Mission: \$50.00 Other Collections: \$290.00

Haiti Sister Parish Collections

Collected: \$2,694.00

Baptism Ellie Elizabeth Bunch, daughter of Ashley and Kristie (Chrans) Bunch, was made a child of God through the reception of the sacrament of Baptism on Sunday, January 2, 2022.	Welcome! Please welcome to our parish family Timothy and Nikole Scheiter, and their sons Michael and Benjamin!
Coffee & Donuts on January 9 Because of the holiday, Coffee & Donuts will be held this weekend, on Sunday, January 9, after all Masses in the Cafeteria.	Fellowship Friday Join us for Fellowship Friday after 8:00 a.m. Mass this week (1/14). Come for Mass, fellowship, coffee, and treats!
Social Concerns Collection Social Concerns will be collecting new adult and children's gloves and mittens this weekend, January 8–9, for the 1st Sunday collection for the Ladies of Charity. Please notice	Right to Life of Adams County Drive Right to Life of Adams County is hosting a Right to Life Memorial Drive again this year, on Sunday, January 23. It will begin at 1:00 p.m. in the St. Peter Church parking lot, then a prayer, and begin the drive at 1:30 p.m.
because of the holidays we have moved the date to the Second weekend in January. Containers will be located in the Narthex. Thank you in advance! Haiti Sister Parish	St. Veronica Guild The St. Veronica Guild will meet Thursday, January 13, in the Lower Level of the Rectory at 8:30 a.m., making prayer shawls and blankets for those who need to feel the love of Jesus in a time of need. All are welcome. Please join us!
 Our Lady of the Assumption Parish and our two mission churches need our help! This spring we will again ship much needed items to Haiti. Please consider contributing the following: January 22–23 Toothpaste, Toothbrushes, Regular Size Bars of Soap, Deodorant, Washcloths, and Combs February 19–20 Underwear and Socks – Boys and Girls (Sizes 2–3 to Adult Small) Containers will be in the Narthex to drop off your donations. On behalf of Father Michel and our Haiti sisters and brothers, thank you in advance for showing them that they've not been forgotten. They truly appreciate all that St. Peter Parish has done for them. If you would like to know more about what the Haiti Sister Parish Committee does, contact Marilena Frier at 217-408-2904. 	Tuesday Morning Ladies Bible Study Join us as for Symbolon: The Catholic Faith Explained January 25 – April 12 (no meeting on March 16 due to Spring Break) Meet in the Martha Jane Room 8:30 a.m. – 9:00 a.m. – Fellowship Study runs from 9:00 a.m. – 10:30 a.m. each Tuesday <i>Symbolon: The Catholic Faith Explained</i> is a systematic presentation of our Catholic Faith. It will lead you through the "big picture" of the Catholic Faith, and our Creed is the guide. <i>Symbolon</i> brings together some of the most trusted Catholic teachers in the world to guide you through the breadth and richness of the Catholic faith. Books can be purchased for \$10. Babysitting available. Contact Gina Bergman for more information at: g.bergman@cospq.org or 217-430-6080. Deadline to sign up so we can order books is Monday, January 10.
Going Someplace Warmer for the Winter? If you are going someplace warmer for the winter, please call the Parish Office at 222-3155 or email us at church@cospq.org to give us the dates you will be gone. We get charged for any returned mailings. 2022 Calendars We now have the new 2022 calendars in the Narthex. Please take one. If you know someone in a nursing home or that is staying at home right now, please take one for them too.	Pro-Life Mass & March The Diocese of Springfield invites you to join us for a diocesan wide pro-life Mass and march event on Friday, January 21, in Springfield at the Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception. We will begin with Mass at 10:00 a.m. followed by an 11:00 a.m. march to the Illinois Capitol. Like last year, the diocese has decided to forego a trip to Washington, D.C. and focus on a local march. The Mass and march are intended for 7 th -12 th graders, college students, and adults. We would love to see each school and parish bring a delegation to the Mass and march. Please visit <u>this website</u> (dio.org/youthministry.mfl) for more information and to register. Also on the website are pro-life resources for all
Please keep the following in your prayers: ~Kristopher Schreacke ~Lilli Foster~Elias Erd ~lan MehaffyPrayer Request~Lilli Foster~lan Mehaffy~Isabella Benner ~Isabella Benner~John Meyer ~Steve Hull~Natalie Meyer~Lucy Miller~Steve Hull~Rose Hockgraver~Bonnie Haubrich ~Alden & Joyce Shipp~Ted Kemner ~Jim Steinkamp~Steve Sinnock~Jim Steinkamp ~Jack Terford~Theresa Althoff ~Anny Seibert~Jo Buckley~Ken & Barb Wolf ~JoAnn Schaefer~Norma Johnson ~Gary FryeTo have a name added to this list, please call the Parish Office at 222-3155 or email church@cospq.org.~	ages. Please use these in your classroom, home, and/or parish. Bishop Thomas John Paprocki will celebrate Mass and we encourage your pastor and/or deacon to join us. For those who are able to join us for the Mass but are unable to join us for the march, Eucharistic adoration will be going on at the Cathedral during the march. The Cathedral cafeteria will be open to groups who would like to eat a sack lunch after the march. Please note that this space is limited and will be a first come first serve basis. You will be able to indicate this option on the registration form. Please watch <u>this video</u> , (https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=t7Q_OZGpBjE), from last year to better understand the event.

Parish in Action



Saturday, January 22 QUINCY 3:00 - 5:00 p.m.

110 N. 6th Street, Quincy Need more info? Call Evanne at 217-653-1596

Grab a date and join us for a fun afternoon of fellowship as we celebrate the new year together. Take advantage of this opportunity to spend some quality time with your significant other. Snacks will be provided AND the <u>first FIVE couples to arrive</u> will each receive a free drink on us!

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My dear friends in Christ,

Over the past couple of years, the pandemic has magnified the importance of communication. Whether it was announcing the obligation to return to Mass, reporting on our first March for Life in Springfield, updating people on life issues at the Statehouse, highlighting the gifts and talents of our clergy and lay faithful, and sharing incredible stories about people in our diocese, *Catholic Times* has consistently been in people's mailboxes and inboxes to provide the hope, inspiration, and education they need during these uncertain times.

Over the past year, *Catholic Times* has continued its emphasis on catechesis of the Catholic faith such as their Hey, Father! series, a special edition dedicated to the sacrament of confession, and a comprehensive look at what eternity looks like and why we must stive for sainthood. Feature reporting is also a major part of the magazine highlighting the stories of people, parishes, and schools that are building up the Kingdom of God in our diocese. The magazine's commitment to local coverage means when it is opened, readers will see stories that are important to their lives.

In the past year, the magazine refreshed its look, which included increasing the font size slightly. Father Dominic Rankin also launched a new series that promotes and inspires people about the vocation of marriage.

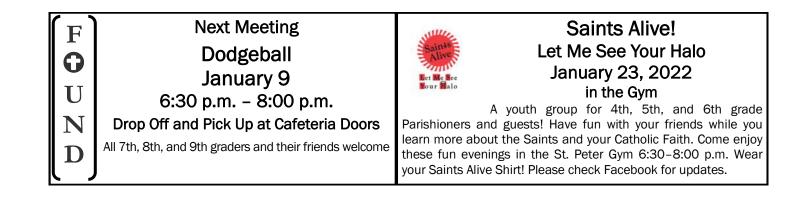
My column, "Lex Cordis Caritas," is on page 4 of each issue. It is one of the best ways that I can speak about the issues that we face as Catholics in Central Illinois and update readers on important decisions I make that impact the faithful. As bishop of this diocese, it is important for me to be an active participant in Catholic media.

It is all these reasons why I believe that *Catholic Times* should be available to every household in our diocese, either online (ct.dio.org), by email, or by mail. I invite you to support this important communication tool in our diocese. During the weekend of January 8–9, you will have the opportunity to respond gratefully and ensure the *Catholic Times* remains an inexpensive source of information on the vital issues I have noted.

Sincerely yours in Christ,

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