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Except Wednesday 8:30 a.m. Sunday Mass: Sat.: 5:00 p.m.

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#### **Reconciliation:**

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

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Please phone the Parish Office at 222-3155 Monday through Friday from 8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

## Sixth Sunday in Ordinary 7ime

**FEBRUARY 13, 2022** 

Jeremiah 17:5-8; 1 Corinthians 15:12,16-20; Luke 6:17,20-26

Don't blame anyone but yourself. You have free will. You can choose which way your life will go. If you choose the way of God, you will find happiness, even though you may be required to sacrifice. If you choose the way of this world, you will find misery, even though you may experience some pleasures.

You are not a machine; you are a person. You are not a slave of your DNA or of your environment. You can't blame your misery on chemical imbalance or parents or dysfunction in your primary society.

You can't blame it on the devil or on others. All kinds of factors influence your life, but YOU are in charge! You can say yes, or you can say no.

Today's Mass challenges us to choose the way of life. We may have been dealt a raw deal in life, but we can choose to follow the way of the Lord. You will be happy if you realize your need of God, if you are sorry for your sins, if you hunger for virtue, and if you are willing to sacrifice to obtain goodness.

You will find misery if you put your trust in the wealth and pleasures of this world, if you are content with creature comforts and are unwilling to sacrifice for virtue, if you are so flippant now that you overlook your eternal goal of life.

What is the direction of your life? If you are on the wrong track, turn around! You can change; you can choose the right!

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# The Parish of St. Peter Quincy, IL

Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time, February 13, 2022

### ~ Mass Intentions ~ February 14-20, 2022

**14. Monday 8:00 a.m.** Luke Mayfield

**15. Tuesday 8:00 a.m.** Laura Henke

**16. Wednesday 8:30 a.m.** Special Intention

17. Thursday 8:30 a.m. Wayne & Dorothy Messick

**18. Friday 8:00 a.m.** Orville Lubbe

19. Saturday 8:00 a.m. Edgar A. & Virginia R. Newman

**19. Saturday 5:00 p.m.**Bob & Eileene Anderson

**20. Sunday 8:00 a.m.**Our Parish Family

20. Sunday 9:30 a.m. Dave Stegeman

20. Sunday 11:00 a.m. Julius "Bud" 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.

#### Dear Parishioners,

This weekend we celebrate the 6th Sunday in Ordinary Time. Perhaps the theme of this weekend is found in the beautiful words of our Responsorial Psalm. This response quotes Psalm 1 which states: "Blessed are they who hope in the Lord." This response should be fundamental to our lives of faith, for when we believe in our God, we have the hope, the trust that God is in charge and will someday and somehow bring the best out of us and this world.

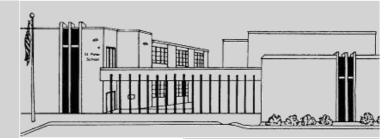
If we look at the first reading for our Mass, Jeremiah sees a reality that we don't always want to see in life. He tells us that "the one who trusts in human beings, who seeks his strength in flesh, whose heart turns away from the Lord will be cursed." The beautiful image used leaves a lasting impression as it tells us that the person who trusts in the things of this world is like a "barren bush in the desert, or like a person who stands in lava waste." In other words, there is little life, yet alone lasting happiness. But those who trust in the Lord bear fruit through all differing kinds of changes in the seasons. In other words, those who hope in the things of this world will experience a life without meaning or purpose. If there is any bit of happiness, it is never lasting and always will lead to our own destruction. But those who trust in the Lord will find a sense of purpose, and a sense of meaning in the reality of this world, with a hope for a fullness in the next world. So, "blessed is the one who trusts in the Lord, whose hope is the Lord."

Our gospel for this weekend is from St. Luke and has Jesus presenting the four beatitudes and four woes. The four beatitudes reflect those disciples who trust in the Lord. Their lives are lived contrary to the things of this world. These include the poor, the hungry, those who weep and those who are rejected and ridiculed because of their commitment to Jesus. To these disciples who do not allow the deception of the things of this world to interfere in their lives of faith, Jesus says that they will be "blessed." And "blessed" means happiness and joy, being richly blessed with a sight that is far beyond this world and yet a part of this world. There is depth, there is joy, there is happiness. As Jesus concluded His proclamation of those who are blessed He states: "Rejoice and leap for joy for your reward will be great in heaven."

The last verses of this gospel are the woes, directed at those who trust in the things of this world. They might be rich, and full, and laugh, and people might sings our praises – these won't last and we will experience what it means to be unhappy and without meaning.

Next weekend we were supposed to have another collection for our sister parishes in Haiti. This collection was for underwear and socks. We have to put this collection on hold since we received news from the parish twinning program, which transports all of our items to Haiti, that all shipments to Haiti have been postponed. We will continue to store what we received two weeks ago, but we will not be collecting any further items until we hear from our people who ship the containers. This is very disappointing but understandable considering the current unrest in Haiti. In the meantime, please pray for our sister parishes.

# The School of St. Peter



Week of February 13, 2022

## A Message from Mrs. Cindy Venvertloh

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

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We'll share more pictures next week!

#### **MENU**

**Monday:** Sack lunch: jammers, apple slices, cheese stick, rice krispie bites, juice box.

**Tuesday:** Chicken nuggets, mashed potatoes, buttered corn, mixed fruit, frosted cake, dinner roll.

**Wednesday:** Pasta/meat sauce, romaine salad, diced pears, cheesy bosco stick.

**Thursday:** Chicken noodle soup, hot ham/cheese, diced peaches, crackers, side kick. **Friday:** No School.

### WHAT IS HAPPENING THIS WEEK?

Monday, Feb. 14: Happy Valentine's Day; students may wear purple, red, pink, or Valentine attire with out-of-dress-code bottoms!

Tuesday, Feb. 15: **School Advisory Board mtg.** 7:00 p.m.

Wednesday, Feb. 16: 8:30 a.m. Children's Mass for grades K, 3, 5 and 6; Reconciliation mtg. for 2nd grade students and parents 6:30 p.m. — held in church.

Thursday, Feb. 17: Children's Mass for grades 1, 2, 4, 7 and 8; GSA mtg. at 10:00 a.m.

Friday, Feb. 18: **No School** — Teacher professional development.

Reminder: All preschool registration paperwork and fees must be submitted no later than Feb. 18 to the School Office between 7:30–3:30 p.m.

Be sure to contact us for **Kindergarten Round Up** registration paperwork.

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#### Mark Your Calendar

Mon., Feb. 14:

Tues., Feb. 15:

Novena – 8:30 a.m., Church

Ladies Bible Study – 8:30 a.m., Martha Jane Room

RCIA - 7:00 p.m., Martha Jane Room

Wed., Feb. 16:

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

PSR - 6:15 p.m., School

First Reconciliation Meeting – 6:30 p.m., Church

Thurs., Feb. 17:

Cribbage - 1:00 p.m., Martha Jane Room

Fri., Feb. 18:

Social Concerns Meeting – 8:30 a.m., Martha Jane Room

Sat., Feb. 19:

Rosary – 7:30 a.m., Church

Sun., Feb. 20:

#### — 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

#### Fr. Leo's column continued..

I want to extend an invitation to our adult parishioners to join us at our version of the Mardi Gras. Even though we are a long way from New Orleans, nevertheless we can still have an enjoyable evening together of music and dance. The date is Friday, February 25. The evening will begin with the QND jazz band playing from 7:00–8:00, followed by the Silver Bullets from 8:00 to 11:00 p.m. Please come out and join us. It will be a lot of fun as we prepare for the season of Lent. Please consult the bulletin regarding reservations.

Next weekend, I ask for your prayers for the women attending the Cursillo. As the Body of Christ, the Church, we need to keep each other in prayer. As these women experience this weekend, my hope and prayer is that they truly will trust in the Lord.

ON THE LIGHTER SIDE: A young boy was spending a weekend with his grandmother after a particularly difficult week in kindergarten. On Saturday morning, his grandmother took him to the park to play in the beautiful new fallen snow.

"Doesn't it look like an artist painted this scenery?" Grandma asked. "Do you think God painted this just for you?"

"Yes, God did it," the boy answered, "and He did it left-handed."

Confused, Grandma asked, "What makes you think that?"

"Well," said the boy, "we learned at Sunday school last week that Jesus sits on God's right hand!"

Mags. Les J. Enlow



#### **WEEKLY COLLECTION** February 6 Total to Date **Loose Collections** \$820.85 \$27,805.39 **Regular Collections** \$20,672.20 \$923,677.14 Annual School Fund \$5,631.00 \$276,636.60 Holy Days \$0.00 \$50,237.07 **Totals** \$27,124.05 | \$1,278,356.20 **Total Budget Goal** \$32,000.00 \$1,024,000.00 Difference (\$4,875.95)\$254,356.20

#### **Diocesan Collections**

Catholic Times: \$150.00 Latin America: \$5.00

#### **Haiti Sister Parish Collections**

Collected: \$2,127.00

## **Parish in Action**



#### **Social Concerns Meeting**

Social Concerns will be meeting Friday, February 18, at 8:30 a.m. in the Martha Jane Room. All are welcome!

#### Haiti Sister Parish Update

There will be NO COLLECTION OF UNDERWEAR AND SOCKS the weekend of February 19-20. The committee just received a letter from the Parish Twinning Program of the Americas (PTPA) that the spring 2022 Sea Container Program has been postponed until, hopefully, fall 2022. Ongoing concerns about the ability to ship items to Haiti safely and logistics issues in Nashville, including warehouse availability, prompted PTPA's decision. Once we have new shipping information, we hope to announce collection dates for underwear and socks. In the meantime, we will store the personal care products that were gathered in January.

Obviously, the news from the Parish Twinning Program of the Americas is a disappointment for all of us. Because it occurred during our annual Twinning collection, we want to make parishioners aware of what was happening. Thank you for all you do for our Sister Parishes. Please continue to keep them in your prayers.

If you have any questions, contact Marilena Frier (217-408-2904).

#### **Girl Scout Cookie Time**

St Peter Girl Scout troops are selling your favorite cookies. The Cookies are \$5 per box, February 12-13, after St. Peter Mass. Thank you for your support of our Girl Scout Troops at St. Peter School.

#### Scholastic Bowl Looking for Help

Are you a trivia buff? Or retired educator, medical, or STEM professional? Then St. Peter's School Scholastic Bowl team welcomes your expertise this winter/spring. The team is looking for coaching aide, help with matches, and knowledge sessions. No previous quiz bowl experience needed. Protecting God's Children training required. Please contact Coach Laura Dighe with questions at thedighes@att.net or 706-340-4009.

#### **Marriage Course**

The Marriage Enrichment group is offering The Marriage Course, a seven-week program that teaches important skills on key aspects of healthy relationships.

Dates: every Sunday of Lent (2/27-4/10) from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. Other evenings may be available depending on interest/need.

Cost is \$10 per couple (includes a workbook for each individual). For more information, contact Betty or George McDonnell at 217-653-3003.

Please keep the following in your prayers:

~Kristopher Schreacke ~Lilli Foster

~Hunter Hildebrand

~Rose Hockgraver

~Alden & Joyce Shipp

~Natalie Meyer

~Steve Sinnock

~Elias Erd ~lan Mehaffy

~Isabella Benner ~Theresa Althoff

~Bonnie Haubrich ~Norma Johnson ~Jim Steinkamp

~Priscilla & Bill Morrison ~Julie Eftink ~Jack Terford

~Jo Buckley ~Billy Smith ~Paul & Joan Wilson ~Anonymous

~John Meyer

~Steve Hull

~Mike Creek

~Ted Kemner

~Amv Seibert

~Ken & Barb Wolf ~JoAnn Schaefer

~Kathy Schuckman

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

#### Welcome!

Please welcome to our parish family Christopher and Darcy Buckert, and their children Rhett and Kyla: Travis and Miranda Kelle and their children Rayna and Brynn; and Andrew and Shannon Stupavsky and their children Miley, Willow, Samuel, and Margaret!

#### Men's Group Spring Session

The Men's Group resumes its spring session on Friday morning, February 25. The doors open at 6:00 a.m. and the program starts around 6:30. The program is finished by 7:30. Over the 7-week session, the men's group will continue to study the Holy Spirit in a program called The Wild Goose, presented by Father Dave Pivonka. Please bring a friend and enjoy the fellowship and faith formation program. If you have any questions, please contact Doug Greenwell (217-242-4518) or Mark Strieker (217-316-0080).

#### Want to Join Boy Scouts?

Scouts BSA Troop 5 invites all boys 5th grade and up to join in the fun of scouting. An interest in camping, hiking, STEM, and outdoor skills preferred. Previous scouting experience not required. Contact Laura Dighe, Troop 5 Committee Chair, at thedighes@att.net for more details.

#### **Chaddock Donations**

The Chaddock Outreach Ministry is asking for donations of daily personal care supplies (shampoo, soap, toothbrushes) and comfort items (pillows, blankets, towels) for our neighbors at Chaddock. If you would like to donate items, please use this link to access the Chaddock Amazon Wish List. Thank www.bit.ly/Chaddock you!

#### Looking for a Tax Credit

Are you looking for a tax credit for this year? Please consider Empower Illinois Scholarship Program. Donations to this program are eligible for a 75% state tax credit.

A donor is sponsoring our school with a 1:1 matching gift for donations raised toward this tax credit scholarship. For every \$1 our school raises for Empower Illinois Scholarship Program, the donor will donate \$1. The donation to our school will be capped at \$10,000.00. This matching gift program began on February 1, 2022, and ends when all matching funds are depleted or on April 15, 2022, whichever comes first. For more information, call Kristi at 222-3155.

#### St. Edward's Annual Pork Sales and Breakfast

St. Edward Church in Mendon is holding its Whole Hog Pork Sales, Annual Sausage and Pancake Day and Biscuits and Gravy on Sunday, February 13, 2022, 8:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. All You Can Eat. Adults: \$10.00; 10 and Under: \$5.00. Raffle to benefit St. Edward Cemetery.

#### Women's Cursillo #350

Women's Cursillo #350 will be held February 17-20 at the Franciscan Retreat Center located at 1909 N. 18th Street in Quincy. During this three-day experience, those attending pray together, celebrate the Eucharist, listen to talks given by priests, religious, and laypersons, and share the fellowship of Jesus Christ and each other. It provides a casual and relaxed experience in a Christian community. Cost of the weekend is \$165.00 with lodging and all meals provided. A partial monetary gift to defray the cost is available if needed. For more information or to receive an application, please call Dwight/Barb Seeley at 217-224-5615 or go to www.quincycursillo.com "applications" and print one.

**Next Meeting** 

Minute to Win It February 27

6:30 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.

Drop Off and Pick Up at Cafeteria Doors **Drivers Needed!** 

All 7th, 8th, and 9th graders and their friends welcome



#### Saints Alive! Let Me See Your Halo February 27, 2022 in the Gym

A youth group for 4th, 5th, and 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 6:30-8:00 p.m. Wear your Saints Alive Shirt! Please check Facebook for updates.







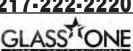


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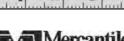
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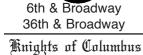


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