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## **Diocese of Springfield in Illinois**

Rev. Msgr. Leo J. Enlow, Pastor

Deacon Robert Lundberg Deacon Jeff Wolf

## **Parish Office Information:**

Hours: Monday - Friday, 8:00 a.m.—4:30 p.m. Office: 217-222-3155 Email: church@cospq.org

### **Parish Staff**

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## **Mass Times:**

Weekday Mass: Monday through Saturday: 8:00 a.m. Except Wednesday & Thursday 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<br/>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 217-222-3155 Monday through Friday from 8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. First Sunday of Advent NOVEMBER 27, 2022

Isaiah 2:1-5; Romans 3:11-14; Matthew 24:37-44

During this year, our Gospel will usually be taken from Matthew. Today our Scripture readings are: Isaiah 2: 1-5; Romans 13:11-14; and Matthew 24:37-44.

Isaiah hoped for justice, joy, and peace. He longed for the day when mankind would make plows out of their swords, and vine-trimmers out of their spears. He longed for the day when all people would be united in respect for each other and in the love of the Lord. But Isaiah did not see that day; neither have we.

St. Paul, in the second reading, says that our salvation is nearer now than when we first believed. The time of justice, joy, and peace is nearer. Perfect justice and peace must await the Second (Glorious) Coming of the Lord. Meanwhile, however, it is "closer," because we become a holier people, a more loving people, a people who seek to radiate hope for justice and peace.

The Gospel selection is very similar to that of two Sundays ago. It speaks of the sudden coming of the Day of the Lord. This glorious Second Coming of Christ is often called the "Parousia" (pah-roo-SEE-uh.)

We don't know when the Lord will come; but we must always be prepared. We prepare by living each day as best we can. Each day, we try to become the person God wants us to be. Each day we try to spread the light of the Lord by our lives.

Let us be an Advent people, a people of hope and joy. We must live in an imperfect world, but we must seek to make it perfect. We do this by showing what Christ means in our lives.

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# The Parish of St. Peter Quincy, IL

## ~Mass Intentions~

Nov. 28-Dec. 4, 2022

28. Monday 8:00 a.m. Jim Gibson

29. Tuesday 8:00 a.m. D.J. Venvertloh

**30. Wednesday 8:30 a.m.** Dorothy Schlipman

**1. Thursday 9:30 a.m.** Dick Olps

- 2. Friday 8:00 a.m. Mary Talken
- **3. Saturday 8:00 a.m.** Pat Ellerbrock

3. Saturday 5:00 p.m. Bob & Eileene Anderson 4. Sunday 8:00 a.m.

Rita Terford

**4. Sunday 9:30 a.m.** Our Parish Family

4. Sunday 11:00 a.m. Mae Jackson

— 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. First Sunday of Advent, November 27, 2022

## Dear Parishioners,

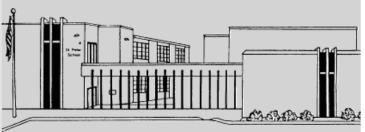
This weekend we begin a new liturgical year with our First Sunday of Advent. It is as the ordo calls it, the Beginning of the Year of Grace, 2023. During this new year of grace, the Church will use Year A in the Cycle of Sunday readings, with most of the readings coming from St. Matthew's gospel; and Cycle I or Year I in the weekday readings. As we begin this new liturgical year, let us pray that it will draw us even closer to the Incarnate Son of God, who came into the world to save us from our sins and to give us hope in the new life of grace, especially in the sacraments.

According to the ordo which guides the liturgical year, "Advent has a two-fold character, for it is time of preparation for the Solemnities of Christmas, in which the First Coming of the Son of God to humanity is remembered, and likewise a time when, by remembrance of this minds and hearts are led to look forward to Christ's Second Coming and the end of time. For these two reasons, Advent is a period of devout and expectent delight." As we use Advent for these two Comings of Christ, hoped and expected, let us never forget His Coming in Mystery. This is that Coming when we unite ourselves to celebrate the Eucharist together in which Christ is present, fully and really, in the bread and wine that is offered and received. In our Catholic Tradition, this is what we call the REAL PRESENCE OF JESUS. If we fail to recognize His Real presence in the Eucharist, I'm not sure how He will recognize our presence when He comes again in glory.

Next weekend we want to welcome Fr. Kolbe Woniakowski, a Benedictine Priest who will be here next weekend to preach at all of our Masses as well as to give two differing conferences on Monday and Tuesday, December 5-6 at 6:30 p.m. To celebrate your Advent season, I ask you to make it a point to come to the Masses as well as hear his conferences next week. He will discuss the Eucharist in the context of Advent and the coming of Christ's birth at Christmas. Fr. Kolbe Woniakowski is a classmate of Fr. Zach Samples and they studied together at St. Meinrad Seminary in Indiana. We will provide childcare for children ages 1 and older. So there should be no excuse as you give yourselves this opportunity to begin your Advent in a proper frame of mind. There also will be a reception for Fr. Kolbe Woniakowski after the conference on December 6 in the narthex.

There are many differing customs that families use as they celebrate the Season of Advent. As I was growing up, we used to have what is called "Advent calendars." These are calendars with 24 doors on them, with a member of the family opening up a door each day. The whole point of this exercise is to help the young people build up an anticipation for the birth of Christ. Another custom that some families use is to get out the manger and place it so that it can be seen. Then an individual statue is placed out each day. But what I like about this custom is that the young people are invited to place some straw in the manger scene, depending upon the acts of kindness or the good deeds that he or she might have done during the day. This helps the young family members experience that they have a role in the birth of Christ with their good deeds and kind words.

# The School of St. Peter



## Week of November 27, 2022 A Message from Mrs. Cindy Venvertloh

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

## GRANDPARENT/SPECIAL PERSON'S DAY













On November 18 we were blessed to share the day with grandparents/special people in our lives! The students are so fortunate to have the guidance and the support as well as unconditional love given to them from these supportive and loving people in their lives!

## MENU

Monday: Chili dog on bun, fries, corn, fruit. Tuesday: Meatballs, bread stick, green beans, fruit. Wednesday: BBQ rib on bun, chips, peas, fruit. Thursday: Corn dog, mixed vegetables, yogurt, fruit Friday: Fish sticks, tater tots, baked beans, fruit.

## THIS WEEK

Monday, Nov. 28: **Advent Prayer Service** 1:00 in Church.

Tuesday, Nov. 29: 7th Grade "Learning Mass" with Fr. Leo.

Wednesday Nov. 30: 8:30 **Children's** Mass: 2nd grade leading.

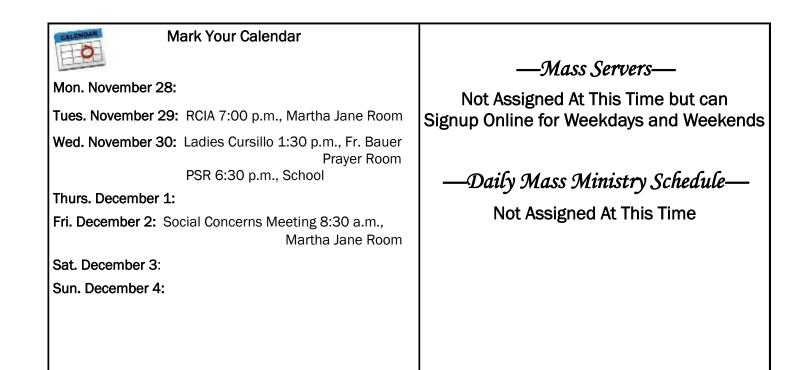
Thursday, Dec. 1: Reconciliation Service for gr. 3-8.

Friday, Dec. 2:

#### HIRING AFTERNOON DAY CARE HELPERS

St. Peter School is hiring daycare workers to work with students during the after school program from 2:15-5:30 Mon.-Fri. Applicants must love children & enjoy supervising & working closely with them. Rate of pay per hour is \$13.00. If interested send a resume along with 2-3 letters of recommendation to Miss Maddie Ippensen at 2500 Maine Street, Quincy, IL 62301 or madisonippensen@icloud.com

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## Fr. Leo's column continued..

Finally, there is the custom of the Advent wreath. This custom also lends itself to anticipation. There are four candles, three purple and one rose. These candles are lit for each Sunday of Advent, the two purple on the First and Second Sunday, the rose for the Third Sunday, and the final purple one for the Fourth and Final Sunday. As you light the candles each week/day, the following prayer may be used:

Lord our God, we praise you for your Son, Jesus Christ; He is Emmanuel, the hope of the peoples, He is the wisdom that teaches and guides us, He is the Savior of every nation.

Lord God, let your blessing come upon us as we light the candles of this wreath. May the wreath and its light be a sign of Christ's promise to bring us salvation. May He come quickly and not delay. We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen.

ON THE LIGHTER SIDE: From an anonymous parishioner:

My mother-in-law came over for dinner and said, "Why does that dog keep looking at me?" In response, I said to her, "Because you're using his plate!"

My wife and I are sitting on the couch watching television and I hear a text, realizing I left my phone in the kitchen, I get up and go to the kitchen to check it....

And it's a text from my wife: "please bring the chips on your way back."

When I was young, I was a poor golfer. But after years of play and practice, I am no longer young.



## WEEKLY COLLECTION

	<u>Nov. 20</u>	Total to Date
Loose Collections	\$996.75	\$20,886.60
Regular Collections	\$26,285.20	\$559,470.69
Annual School Fund	\$3,247.00	\$195,324.21
Holy Days	\$80.00	\$3,679.00
Totals	\$30,608.95	\$779,360.50
Total Budget Goal	\$32,000.00	\$672,000.00
Difference	(\$1,391.05)	\$107,360.50

## **Diocesan Collections**

Justice & Hope: \$690.00 Catholic Times: \$15.00 Church of Africa: \$20.00 Catholic Cemeteries: \$245.00

## Haiti Sister Parish Collections

Collected \$640.00

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SUNDAY, DEC	CEMBER 11	
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BROUGHT TO YOU BY THE RELATIONSHIP ENRICHMENT TEAM	Scan the code to sign up or call	217.214.0187

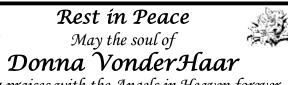
## 2022 Giving Wreaths

Can you believe we are fast approaching Christmas. Where does the time go? Again this year, St. Peters will sponsor the Giving Wreath. This is a program that allows us at St. Peters a way to help those in our community who are less fortunate. Several local organizations send the needs of their people. Each need is put on a tag and we put those tags out on tables in the Narthex.

This is happening **Now through December 4**. You can choose a tag(s) before or after church. The gifts are to be wrapped and returned to Church with the gift tag **securely taped** during the weekend of **December 10 and 11**. The local organizations will pick up their gifts on December 12, so NO gifts delivered after December 12. This will replace the Social Concerns 1st Sunday collection for December. Thank you in advance for your generosity!



<b>Christmas Decorations (Please print legibly)</b> To make a donation (\$10.00) for Christmas poinsettias & decorations in memory of a loved one, please put money in a plain envelope labeled "Christmas Decorations" by Sunday, December 11, or email church@cospq.org.	
A Donation for Christmas Decorations	
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sing praises with the Angels in Heaven forever.

## St. Peter Social Concerns Christmas Cookie Sale - Bakers! December 10 & 11

We need your help! Bake a batch of Christmas cookies for this special fundraiser. Bring Cookies to the Cafeteria on that SATURDAY or on SUNDAY before 9:30 a.m. Mass. If you are willing to volunteer to work the sale, call Sharon at (217) 257-1376. Coffee & Cinnamon Rolls Will Be Available!

#### EMPOWER IL - Nov. 30: Last Day to Donate for the Current SY If donors still would like a tax credit scholarship gift for this school year, they must make the donation by November 30. Donations made in December will roll over to fund tax credit scholarships for the 2023-24 school year.

## St. Peter Boy Scout Troop Wreath Pickup This Weekend

St. Peter Boy Scout wreaths are available for pickup following the Masses in the cafeteria this weekend. Thank you for your support!

## DVENT PARISH MISSI **JOIN US DECEMBER 3-6**

- Begins during all Weekend Masses on 12/3 and 12/4
- **Continues with Parish Mission Conferences on** 12/5 and 12/6 at 6:30 p.m. in the Church
- A reception will follow on 12/6 in the Narthex

\*childcare for age 1 and older available



Fr. Kolbe Woniakowski, OSB will offer the first Parish Mission during Advent. He will discuss the Eucharist in the context of Advent and the coming of Christ's birth at Christmas.

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Please keep the following in your prayers: ~Elias Erd

- ~Kristopher Schreacke
- ~Lilli Foster
- ~Hunter Hildebrand ~Natalie Meyer
- ~Rose Hockgraver ~Alden & Joyce Shipp
- ~Jim Steinkamp
- ~Kathy Schuckman
- ~Ken & Barb Wolf
- ~Matt Mast
- ~Mark & Diane Zoller
- ~JoAnn Schaefer
- ~Joan Wilson ~Priscilla & Bill Morrison ~Daniella Kendrick ~Judy Domme ~Donna Schutte ~Anonymous ~Valerie Fox Ortball ~Jack Bunte

~Amy Seibert

~lsabella Benner

~Theresa Althoff

~Bonnie Haubrich

~Norma Johnson



- ~Julie Eftink ~Steve Hull ~Evelyn Garrett ~Ted Kemner ~Jack Terford ~Jo Buckley ~Debra Sparrow ~Dan Dailing ~Michael Mason
- ~John & Barb Meyer

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

## Social Concerns Meeting

Social Concerns will be meeting Friday, December 2 at 8:30 a.m. in the Martha Jane Room. All are welcome!

## 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. Returning your card is an important part of being an active member of St. Peter. Please take this opportunity to discern how God is calling you to grow closer to Him this year.

## Help us spread a little Sunshine this Advent!

St Peter Parish is asking for parishioners to sign up to be part of our Sunshine Crew. This ministry reaches out to our Homebound/Nursing Home parishioners through letters and cards during Advent. If you are interested in signing up, we are asking you to send a letter, card, note with children's artwork, etc., WEEKLY during Advent 2022 (4 weeks total). Once you sign up via the Signup Genius link below, you will be emailed the Name and Address of a Homebound/Nursing Home parishioner before Monday, November 28, 2022. Please help us bring some sunshine to our Homebound/Nursing Home parishioners! If you have any questions, please contact McDonald (5mcdonaldsjc@gmail.com) Jodi or Lyn Strieker (I.strieker@cospg.org).

https://www.signupgenius.com/ Signup Genius link: go/60B0B4CA5AE22A64-stpeter1

## **Adoration Chapel**

Our prayers have been answered to be able to open the Adoration Chapel for 24 more hours (72 hours total so far - open Wed 9 a.m. to Sat 9 a.m.) We are now seeking Adorers for several more hours.

Hours available are:

Wednesday 10 a.m. to 11 a.m. on the 2nd, 4th and 5th weeks of the month;

Saturday 10 a.m. to 11 a.m., 11 a.m. to Noon, 2 p.m. to 3 p.m., 3 p.m. to 4 p.m.

Thank you for your consideration in taking an hour of quiet prayer in the Adoration Chapel.

Please contact Mary Voorhis at (217)653-3127 or call or text Gina Wolf at (217)257-9966.

## EMHC Schedule for December 2022

Saturday, 5:00 p.m. Mass – Amy Herkert and Ruth Koch Sunday, 8:00 a.m. Mass - Dennis & Lynn Semerad Sunday, 9:30 a.m. Mass - Barb & Matt Holtmeyer Sunday, 11:00 a.m. Mass - Joe & Laura Duesterhaus

## December 2022 Usher Schedule

Saturday, 5:00 p.m. Mass Lead Usher: Warren Brush Ushers: Mike Kurk, Martin Ohnemus, Bob Rakers, John Terstriep Sunday, 8:00 a.m. Mass Lead Usher: Tom McLaughlin Ushers: John Cunningham, Dave Huseman, Nick Terwelp, Bob Tonielli Sunday, 9:30 a.m. Mass Lead Usher: Steve Wavering Ushers: Steve Green, Scott Utterback, Kyle Venvertloh, Larry Viar Sunday, 11:00 a.m. Mass Lead Usher: Tom Strieker Ushers: Dave Cawthon. Al Eilers. Stephen Gramke, Jim Scott





