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#### **Diocese of Springfield in Illinois**

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#### **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 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 217-222-3155 Monday through Friday from 8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Twelfth Sunday in Ordinary Time

**JUNE 25, 2023** Jeremiah 20:10-13; Romans 5:12-15; Matthew 10:26-33

Quite often, we would like to keep quiet. After all, who wants to make waves except a rabblerouser or a fanatic? Jeremiah (first reading) would have preferred to keep quiet. God had told him to announce the doom of his nation because of its corruption. Because of his message, people hated him and wanted him dead.

The second reading tells us that we suffer the effects of original sin. We don't always see (or want to see) the pure truth of a matter. We are always tempted to take the easy way out, the line of least resistance. We are tempted to rationalize.

It is easy to settle for mediocrity. But Christ has redeemed us! Original sin is no excuse for mediocrity, for Christ's redemption is more powerful than original sin's effects.

In the Gospel, the Lord tells us not to be intimidated by this world. Why should we be afraid to proclaim the truth? If people stood up to tyrants, there could be no tyranny. If we stood together against evil, there could be no evil!

Remember the old saying of Edmond Burke: "The only thing necessary for evil to triumph is that the good do nothing!" Jesus calls you to stand for him, to witness for him.

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# The Parish of St. Peter Quincy, IL

#### ~Mass Intentions~

June 26-July 2, 2023

26. Monday 8:00 a.m.

E. O. Miller

27. Tuesday 8:00 a.m. Auris McGee

- 28. Wednesday 8:30 a.m. Howard Buckley
- **29. Thursday 8:00 a.m.** Peggy DeMoss McKenna
- **30. Friday 8:00 a.m.** Special Intention
- 1. Saturday 8:00 a.m. Becky Bliefnick
- **1. Saturday 5:00 p.m.** Our Parish Family
- 2. Sunday 8:00 a.m. Robert & Joanne Schlepphorst
- 2. Sunday 9:30 a.m. Dr. Robert Murphy

2. Sunday 11:00 a.m. Dave & Pat Stegeman

#### - 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.

#### Twelfth Sunday in Ordinary Time, June 25, 2023

#### **Dear Parishioners**,

It's hard to believe that a month of summer vacation is now history. It sure seems to be going by fast, faster than what I would like. Hopefully the month of July will slow down a bit and let us all enjoy this time of heat and humidity. We need, however, to remember our farmers in our prayers who are desperately in need of rain for their crops. It would behoove us all to pray for this much needed moisture.

Our gospel for this weekend is Jesus preparing His disciples for their roles in witnessing to the faith and preaching the gospel. It's sort of a pep talk as they make ready for their journeys. I'm sure that there were a lot of anxieties, uncertainties, and doubts as they prepare themselves to an unknown future. In the midst of all their future struggles, Jesus says to them, "Fear no one. Do not be afraid of those who kill the body but cannot kill the soul." And then to top it off, Jesus says to them something for which we always need to be reminded, namely, that God doesn't create junk, and that each of us has value and worth in the eyes of our God. Those words should make us feel good about ourselves. When we don't feel loved, the one reality that Jesus reminds us is that God loves us even when we feel unloved by human beings. Listen to what He tells His disciples, "Are not two sparrows sold for a small coin? Yet not one of them falls to the ground without your Father's knowledge. Even all the hairs of your head are counted." After hearing those words, Jesus concludes "So do not be afraid, you are worth more than many sparrows." When we feel often unloved, rejected, and hurt, the words of Jesus help us realize the value and worth that we have in the eves of our God.

This past Saturday, the Diocesan Council of Catholic Women held their annual "Woman of Distinction Award dinner" in Springfield with a Mass and dinner following. Representing St. Peter Parish, I'm happy to announce that the winner this year of this award from St. Peter is Sue Kuhl. There are so many people who could receive this award for the ministries they do, or acts of charity they perform. Sue is our recipient this year. For years she taught in our grade school and upon retiring has coordinated the funeral dinners. For all that she has done, we honor her with this award.

This past week, we have been installing new lights in the very high ceiling of our Church. These are new LED lights that will be easy to replace but should last, if the experts are right, over 20 years. We have already done the same with the lower level lights along with the six chandeliers. After that is completed, then we will move into the sanctuary and do the upper lights there, along with putting up our new screens and projectors, and then the new light that will be centered on our beautiful St. Peter window to shine brightly through the night. Again this work is the result of our stewardship to our parish.

So far after once again instituting Holy Communion under both species, the Body and Blood, everything seems to be returning to normal or pre-Covid. We have a few kinks to work out but I am satisfied with how people have responded to our Eucharist under both species, the Body and Blood of Christ.



## CAMPAIGN PLANNING STUDY

### DEAR PARISHIONERS,

These are exciting times at St. Peter. Our leaders have identified important major projects to keep our parish strong in the decades ahead. Our leaders determined the following projected needs through strategic planning, and careful study and discussion that began years ago:

- · Building a new school cafeteria
- Adding classrooms for our school
- · Renovating the current school cafeteria to create a Parish Center
- Building a new gymnasium on our campus grounds
- Demolishing Seton Hall (potentially, if there are no other alternatives to create space for other potential projects)
- Creating a Performing Arts Theater in what would be the current school gymnasium

Now we need your feedback. We have begun a comprehensive survey of our entire parish community. The survey will tell us which projects are considered most important and gauge support for a potential major fundraising campaign. The survey is part of a process called a planning study. In the next week, we will mail a packet to your home that will include more details about each proposed project, a survey and a return envelope to return the survey.

ST. PETER SCHOOL

Your participation in the survey is essential for the success of this planning process.

Gratefully,

Mage. Les J Enlor

Monsignor Leo Enlow Pastor

| Mark Your Calendar  | Project Rachel   |  |
|---|--|--|
| Monday, June 26:  | Help for women and men to heal from the pain of abortion.<br>For assistance call 1-877-RACHEL-5.   |  |
| Tuesday, June 27:   | <b>Reporting Allegations of Child Sexual Abuse</b><br>To report allegations of sexual abuse of a minor by clergy   |  |
| Wednesday, June 28: Ladies Cursillo 1:30 p.m., Fr. Bauer<br>Prayer Rm | or other church personnel – even if it is in the past – individu-<br>als are encouraged to call the Diocese's Child Abuse Report-<br>ing and Investigation number at (217) 321-1155. Individu-<br>als may also contact Illinois Department of Children and   |  |
| Thursday, June 29:  | Family Services Child Abuse Hotline at 1.800.25.ABUSE.<br>Tolton Procession  |  |
| Friday, June 30:  | This year's annual Pilgrimage Procession to the grave of the<br>Venerable Servant of God, Father Augustine Tolton, the first<br>publicly-recognized Black priest in the USA, will take place on  |  |
| Saturday, July 1:   | July 9, the 126th anniversary of his death. The pilgrimage procession will leave from the statue of Father Tolton outside  |  |
| Sunday, July 2:   | St. Peter's church in Quincy at 4:00 p.m. and walk to his grave, about a mile away, for the praying of Evening Prayer at 4:30 p.m. Those who cannot participate in the walk may meet the procession at the cemetery. Due to lack of space, no one should park in the cemetery itself. Chairs and bottled water will be provided at the cemetery. |  |

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

As we look ahead, the weekend of July 15-16 we will be having our annual Missionary Co-Op appeal. If you remember, this is a missionary assigned to preach at our parish, soliciting funds to continue their missionary efforts in whatever part of the world they are serving. I will let you know more details later.

Just recently I received a thank you note from someone in Quincy who was helped by a parishioner. He states that what they did "says a lot about their hearts, and the servitude oriented nature of your Church." The things we do and say do bear witness to us as Church.

**ON THE LIGHTER SIDE:** Up in heaven, there are two lines: One with a sign that says, "If you were henpecked, line up here," the other saying, "If you weren't henpecked, line up here."

One day St. Peter was looking at the new arrivals, and he saw the "henpecked" line going on forever, while the "non-henpecked" line only had one guy standing in it. St. Peter walked up to him and said, "you mean to tell me you were never henpecked in your whole life?" The guy said, "Well I don't know about that. All I know is this is where my wife told me to stand."

A man was sharing some of his thoughts at the local gym. He said, "I'm still tired of all the crossfit this morning."

His co-worker replied, "It's pronounced 'croissant' and you ate four of them."

Mag. Les J. Eulon



|                     | <u>June 18</u> | Total to Date  |
|---------------------|----------------|----------------|
| Loose Collections   | \$1,349.30     | \$56,830.00    |
| Regular Collections | \$33,768.40    | \$1,414,087.53 |
| Annual School Fund  | \$11,101.00    | \$449,274.74   |
| Holy Days           |                | \$59,942.80    |
| Totals              | \$46,218.70    | \$1,980,135.07 |
| Total Budget Goal   | \$32,000.00    | \$1,632,000.00 |
| Difference          | \$14,218.70    | \$348,135.07   |

#### **Diocesan Collections**

Catholic Cemetery: \$1,000.00 Seminarians: \$20.00 Retired Diocesan Priests: \$105.00

Haiti Sister Parish Collections

Collected \$520.00





sing praises with the Angels in Heaven forever.

#### Social Concerns Collection

Social Concerns will be collecting canned meals (beef stew, spaghetti & meatballs, rice & pasta mixes, canned fruit) next weekend, July 1-2 for the 1st Sunday collection for the Ladies of Charity. Containers will be located in the Narthex. Thank you in advance!

#### July 2023 EMHC Schedule

Saturday, 5:00 p.m. Mass: Lou Anderson (1), Angie & Mike Hancox (2, 3), Angela Lepper (4), Sharon Mitten (5), Mark Wiewel (6) Sunday, 8:00 a.m. Mass: Veronica & Warren Brush (1 & 2), John & Judy Liesen (3, 4), Sandy Gallaher (5), Gary Zanger (6) Sunday, 9:30 a.m. Mass: Luke Bealor (1), Sharon Meyer-Talken (2), Ronda Wand (3), Kari Weisenberger (4), Mindee Miller (5), Ashleigh Wisslead (6)

**Sunday, 11:00 a.m. Mass**: Patrick Carley (1), Rick Craven (2), Mindee Miller (3), Bradley Smith (4), Diane Weber (5), Beth Young (6)

#### July 2023 Usher Schedule

Saturday, 5:00 p.m. Mass: Lead Usher: Kent Lepper Ushers: Rick Halter, Andrew Meyer, Ted Siebers, Jay Smith Sunday, 8:00 a.m. Mass: Lead Usher: Tom McLaughlin Ushers: Zachary Kinscherf, Dave Kuhl, George McDonnell, Tim Schrage Sunday, 9:30 a.m. Mass: Lead Usher: Eric Entrup Ushers: Steve Adair, Neal Cornwell, Matt George, Trent Lepper Sunday, 11:00 a.m. Mass: Lead Usher: Ted Niemann Ushers: Jerry Eberhardt, Stephen Gramke, Scott Larson, Chris Niemann

#### **Church Directory Reminder**

Our scheduling process has begun and we start taking portraits this week! Have you booked a session? Don't delay! Book now: https://www.trotterphoto.com/spchurch

*Need help registering?* We will have volunteers eager to help you after Mass or call Lyn Strieker, 217-316-4590, to book an appointment.

Remember, this is a *terrific opportunity for a professional portrait* in the comfort of our own church. Spread the word! We can't wait to share our new directory once this project is complete. Thank you!

| Please keep the following<br>~Kristopher Schreacke<br>~Lilli Foster | g in your prayers:<br>~Michael Mason<br>~Amy Seibert | Prayer<br>Requests |  |
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| ~Hunter Hildebrand  | ~lsabella Benner                                     | ~Mary Lavery       |  |
| ~Natalie Meyer  | ~Theresa Althoff                                     | ~Steve Hull        |  |
| ~Bonnie Haubrich  | ~Dan Dailing   | ~Matt Mast         |  |
| ~Alden & Joyce Shipp  | ~Norma Johnson                                       | ~Ted Kemner        |  |
| ~Joan Wilson  | ~Debra Sparrow                                       | ~Jo Buckley        |  |
| ~Priscilla & Bill Morrison  | ~Sue Hildebrand                                      | ~lan Mehaffy       |  |
| ~Kathy Schuckman  | ~John & Barb Meyer                                   | ~Anonymous         |  |
| ~Lorna Shade  | ~Donna Schutte                                       | ~Ken Wolf          |  |
| ~Diane Zoller   | ~Cindy Barner  | ~Julie Eftink      |  |
| ~Valerie Fox Ortball  | ~JoAnn Schaefer                                      | ~Elias Erd         |  |
| ~Michelle & Dustin Houston ~Maria (Eberhardt) Sparrow               |  |                    |  |
| To have a name added to this list, please call the Parish Office    |  |                    |  |
| at 222-3155 or email church@cospq.org.                              |  |                    |  |

**Fr. Zach's Pilgrimage to World Youth Day** Dear St. Peter's Parishioners,

Greetings to you! I hope this finds each of you well. Late next month, I will be traveling to Portugal to help lead a Pilgrimage to World Youth Day. I will be traveling with Fr. Arisman and a group of Pilgrims from the Quincy/ Springfield areas. While at World Youth Day, we will have the opportunity to attend Masses with Pope Francis, meet with young adult Catholics from around the world, take part in Portugals rich history of Catholicism, visit Fatima, and much more. I am very much looking forward to this opportunity. Please pray for our group of Pilgrims that we might come to a deeper encounter with our Risen Lord, stay safe, and also have a good time.

If you have any prayer intentions that you would like for me to pray for while on this Pilgrimage, please write them down and drop them off at the Parish office or give them to me after Mass. I prefer them in writing and on paper so that I don't forget to bring them with me. May God continue to richly bless you and your families!

Peace, Fr. Zach Samples

#### Moving?

If you are moving, please contact the parish office at 222-3155 or church@cospq.org to give us your new address.



#### DIOCESE OF SPRINGFIELD IN ILLINOIS Office of the Bishop

July, 2023

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

On August 14, 2021, a powerful earthquake measuring 7.2 on the Richter scale struck within 100 miles of the Haitian capital of Port-au-Prince. More than 2,000 people were killed, 12,000 were injured, and 300 were missing. Then widespread damage to houses and other structures was worsened by a tropical storm that hit the island shortly afterward. In responding to the urgent needs of the victims of these disasters, Pope Francis donated €200,000 through the Vatican's Dicastery for Promoting Integral Human Development to support immediate emergency relief efforts in the most affected dioceses in Haiti.

Your contribution to the Peter's Pence collection helps fund not only all the activities of the dicasteries of the Roman Curia that assist the pope in the exercise of his ministry but also a number of solidarity projects that aid those most in need. To learn more about the ways in which this collection supports the Holy Father's ministry of mercy, visit https://www.obolodisanpietro.va/en/cos-e-l-obolo.html (English) or https://www.obolodisanpietro.va/es/cos-e-l-obolo.html (Español).

Please prayerfully consider supporting this year's collection as an act of mercy and charity. Join our brothers and sisters in faith from around the globe to help Pope Francis carry out his ministry to the Universal Church and reach out to the most marginalized in our world.

Thank you and may God bless you abundantly. Sincerely yours in Christ,

Most Reverend Thomas John Paprocki

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Bishop of Springfield in Illinois







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