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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 217-222-3155 Monday through Friday from 8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

Twenty-ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time

OCTOBER 22, 2023

Isaiah 45:1,4-6; 1 Thessalonians 1:1-5b; Matthew 22:15-21

The Pharisees and Herodians were mortal enemies. The Pharisees thought that Roman rule over the Jewish people was blasphemy; the Herodians supported Roman rule. Both groups unite to pose a dilemma to Jesus: Should a person pay taxes to Rome?

If Jesus answers "yes," he alienates all observing Jews. If he answers "no," he would be arrested by the Romans. He gets off the horns of the dilemma by using a coin, and telling people to give to Caesar what belongs to Caesar, but to God what belongs to God.

But he doesn't solve the problem. What belongs to the secular sphere? What belongs to God? Can religion impose on the natural order those principles which can only be known if one accepts faith?

Some things are obviously secular: for example, protection of rights and of the public order, roads and transportation. Some things are obviously religious. But many things are mixed, such as education, public morality, and the means of communication. The problem will probably never be solved, but reasonable people must always strive to cooperate while avoiding extreme positions.

The first reading is praise of a pagan secular ruler. Cyrus of Persia is even called "the Lord's anointed." The word used is "messiah!" The reading points out that Cyrus is great because of God, even though he doesn't know God!

The second reading is the beginning of the very first book of the New Testament to be written. Paul wrote to the Thessalonians around 51 A.D. to solve problems about the "Second Coming." Paul had preached that Jesus would return in glory very soon. When he didn't, some of the Thessalonians were discouraged. Paul urges them to faith, hope, and constancy in spite of difficulties.

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The Parish of St. Peter Quincy, IL

~Mass Intentions~

October 23-29, 2023

23. Monday 8:00 a.m. **Brian Welding** 24. Tuesday 8:00 a.m. Willis & Anna Lee Conrad 25. Wednesday 8:30 a.m. D.J. Venvertloh 26. Thursday 8:00 a.m. Kenneth & Dorothy Schlipman 27. Fridav 8:00 a.m. Gene Churchwell 28. Saturday 8:00 a.m. NO MASS 28. Saturday 5:00 p.m. NO MASS 29. Sunday 8:00 a.m. Joe Lavery 29. Sunday 9:30 a.m. Penny Norton 29. Sunday 11:00 a.m.

29. Sunday 11:00 -Jan Faler

— 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.

Twenty-ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time, October 22, 2023

Dear Parishioners,

We have been asked by the bishops of the state of Illinois to bring this information to your attention and to ask your help in speaking to the state reps and asking them to support this "Invest in Kids scholarship program." A number of our students have taken advantage of this scholarship program and are able to attend St. Peter School and Quincy Notre Dame because of it. I ask you to please read over this letter from all of our bishops and contact our state representatives and ask for their support. It is so important that our bishops are requesting that we read this letter this week or publish it for you to read before this program expires.

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

We, the Catholic bishops of Illinois, write with a sense of urgency. Unless the General Assembly acts to renew the Invest in Kids scholarship program, more than 9,000 children currently relying on this program to attend a non-public school may have their educational path disrupted. Without an extension of the program in Illinois law now, no scholarships will be awarded for the school year that will begin in September 2024. Most of these children will have to leave the school their families determined was their best chance to receive a high-quality education in a safe and wholesome learning environment. This is an injustice that should and can be avoided, but only if the General Assembly acts when it reconvenes on October 24, 2023.

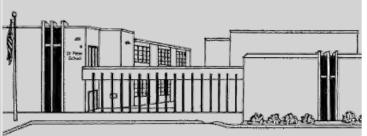
Invest in Kids has proven to be a beacon of hope for thousands of Illinois students and their families. Children receiving Invest in Kids scholarships come from lower-income families who could not otherwise afford tuition at the Catholic or another non-public school that is the best fit for their child. Childhood is a limited time in the life of a human being and primary and secondary education is not something that can be put off to some future date when it is convenient for adults. This is our one chance to offer these Illinois children a good start. Please help keep education options available and a brighter future possible by contacting your state senator and state representative and telling them to continue the Invest in Kids Program.

Since its inception six years ago, Invest in Kids has generated overwhelmingly positive results. Nearly 40,000 scholarships have been awarded to students attending non-public schools across Illinois. Demand for scholarships is very high - for every scholarship granted, three students are turned down due to lack of funds. Contrary to what you may have heard, this is not a voucher program, nor does it take state funds away from the public schools. These scholarships are funded through contributions from donors who receive a tax credit for their donation on their Illinois state income tax.

What can you do to help? Please contact your state senator and state representative to let them know of your support for extending the Invest in Kids tax credit scholarship program in Illinois. We also encourage you to urge your fellow parishioners to do the same. Our collective voice is vital to the continued help for Illinois families. Please visit the Catholic Conference of Illinois website at www.ilcatholic.org or call the Springfield office at (217) 528-9200 for further information on how to locate your elected officials, request sample wording for a message to your legislator, or for information about how to donate to this program.

Signed by the six bishops of the dioceses of Illinois.

The School of St. Peter



Week of October 22, 2023 A Message from Mrs. Cindy Venvertloh

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

SEVENTH GRADE FIELD TRIPS

MENU

Monday: Breaded chicken on bun, emoji fries, green beans, fruit.

Tuesday: Meatballs, bosco stick, romaine salad, fruit. Wednesday: French bread pizza, marinara, veggie boat, fruit.

Thursday: 1/2 Day. Friday: No School.

THIS WEEK

PTA COIN DRIVE—October 16-October 31. Student-Led Conferences take place all week! Parents—be sure to sign up for your conference with your child!

Monday, October 23: Conferences held after school.

Tuesday, October 24: Safety Fire House visits 3rd & 5th grade; Conferences held after school.

Wednesday, October 25: Children's Mass at 8:30— 7th grade in charge;

Conferences held after school; **6th-8th grade Halloween Bash** from 6:00-8:00.

Thursday, October 26: 50th day of School– kindergarten dress 50's style.

Friday, October 27: No School

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While the eighth grade students were on their annual Washington, DC trip the seventh grade students shared in opportunities to learn outside of the school walls by attending various places in Quincy such as: Woodland Cemetery, Mercantile Bank, Villa Katherine, the grotto on Ghost Hollow Road and a special tour of the church from Fr. Leo.

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Mark Your Calendar

Monday, October 23:

Tuesday, October 24: Ladies Bible Study 8:30 a.m., Martha Jane Room RCIA 7:00 p.m., Martha Jane Room

Wednesday, October 25: Ladies Cursillo 1:30 p.m., Fr. Bauer Prayer Room PSR 6:30 p.m., School

Thursday, October 26: St. Veronica's Guild 1:00 p.m., Lower Level Conf. Room

Friday, October 27:

Saturday, October 28: NO MASSES

Sunday, October 29: Marriage Course 6:00 p.m., Martha Jane Room

Fr. Leo's column continued..

A final reminder that there will be no Masses next Saturday, October 28, nor will there be Confessions in the morning or afternoon. All the priests are expected to be present at the Eucharistic Congress to be held in Springfield that day and many of our parishioners will also be in attendance. Please pray for the safety of all involved.

In light of our Eucharistic Congress next Saturday, and in light of our Eucharistic renewal in our parish and diocese, I would like to present to our parish families a book entitled, "This is My Body," by Bishop Robert Barron. Please take a book located in the narthex, one per family. My hope and prayer is that through reading this book, your devotion to the Eucharist will be made manifest each and every weekend. The Eucharist defines who we are as Catholics and is my gift to you for your personal revival in making the Eucharist central to your lives.

I want to welcome Fr. Delix Michel, the pastor of our sister parishes in Haiti who will be with us this weekend. He will be giving me an accounting of our donations to his parishes and be present to thank us for our continual support. I am so proud of what we have been able to do to assist the poorest of the poor in our world with our gift of treasure. Remembering the words of Jesus, "whatever you do to the least of my brothers and sisters, you do for me." Thank you again for your continual support for our brothers and sisters in Haiti, With your generosity, we have been able to support them with a quarterly gift of \$15,000.

Magr. Les J. Enlor

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.

Eucharistic Congress Tickets

Any remaining tickets are open to the public. If you would like to reserve a seat, please go to dio.org/revival-bos/ to register. Parishioners who have signed up through the parish office will be receiving information directly from the Diocese regarding the Congress to your smart phone number or email address. Please look for emails from the Diocese that will contain your ticket and information about the day.



WEEKLY COLLECTION

	October 15	Total to Date
Loose Collections	\$1,043.00	\$16,653.75
Regular Collections	\$38,854.00	\$425,795.00
Annual School Fund	\$11,566.00	\$118,959.00
Holy Days	\$70.00	\$2,944.00
Totals	\$51,533.00	\$564,351.75
Total Budget Goal	\$32,000.00	\$512,000.00
Difference	\$19,533.00	\$52,351.75

Diocesan Collections

World Mission: \$5.00

Haiti Sister Parish Collections

Collected \$425.00



St. Peter Church – Boy Scouts Troop 5 Annual Christmas Wreath Sale

FRESH Christmas Wreaths and Sprays to bring holiday cheer to your home! Wreaths will be available for pickup at mass or delivery (within Quincy) just after Thanksgiving. All proceeds go to supporting Boy Scout Troop 5 at St. Peter Church. Scan the QR Code to place your order, or see us after masses this weekend, October 21 and 22!!!



FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 3 6:30 - 8:30 P.M.

- 1. Sign up by scanning QR code
- 2. Check in/drop off kids at St. Peter Cafeteria
- 3. Sign up by Oct. 31

Grab your date and head out for a night on the town. Free babysitting available in the lower level of St. Peter Church (space is limited, sign up early to guarantee your spot). Pick your date night challenge at check in. Complete a suggested challenge or do something you love together. All who attend will be entered into a drawing for a BONUS date night!

Need More Info? or to phone in RSVP... Call 217.214.0187



ADVENT PARISH MISSION DECEMBER 2-5, 2023

- Begins during all Weekend Masses on 12/2 and 12/3
- Continues with Parish Mission Conferences on 12/4 and 12/5 at 6:30 p.m. in the Church
- A reception will follow on 12/5 in the Cafeteria
- Childcare available for children ages 1 and older in the Martha Jane Room

All Souls Day Remembrance

To have the names listed in the bulletin the weekend of 11/5, please return this form in the collection by October 29. You can also email this information to church@cospq.org. **Please Print**

From: _

In Memory of:_

Fr. Kolbe Woniakowski,

OSB is excited to return to St. Peter for his second Advent Parish Mission.

He will offer a series of presentations on the Eucharist and how this relates to the Advent season.



No Masses Next Saturday We will not have any Masses or confessions this Saturday, October 28, because of the Eucharistic Congress.	Welcome! Please welcome to our parish family Adam & Jessica Huckey, and their children Brant, Leigha & Ada!	
St. Veronica Guild The St. Veronica Guild will meet Thursday, October 26 in the Lower Level of the rectory at 1:00 p.m., making prayer shawls & blankets for those who need to feel the love of Jesus in a time of need. All are welcome, please join us! "A Time To MournA Time to Heal"	Stewardship Renewal Begins Today This week, we kick off our parish Stewardship Renewal. Soon you will receive a package of beautiful materials in the mail. Please prayerfully review these materials and discern where God is calling you in the coming year. On Commitment Sunday, November 11/12, each parish family is asked to return their completed commitment card or complete a card online at our parish website, www.cospq.org.	
A 6 week series starting this Fall November 2, 9, 16, 30, December 7, 14		
9:00-11:30 a.m., St. Peter Parish Office Open to those who have lost a loved one whether recently or in the past. If interested, please call: Parish Office at 217-222-3155.	Fall in Love All Over Again: Join Our Date Night Challenge this October! Over the next three months, we're issuing a challenge! We want every couple to go on dates, and we're going to help. Investing in your marriage is so important. Studies show that couples who date monthly are happier than those who don't, so it's an easy way to care for your most important relationship! Just sign up using the link below and we'll send you monthly ideas for your date. Each month you'll submit a picture and the highlights of your date to be eligible to win a prize. Take a minute and sign up now. https://bit.ly/stpeterdatenight	
St. Peter Social Concerns Update St Peter Social Concerns Committee, through the donations of our parishioners, donate to Birthright of Quincy on a monthly basis. Birthright is non-denominational, non-political and funded solely by private donations. They provide caring, non-judgmental support to girls and women distressed by an unplanned pregnancy. In addition to providing friendship and emotional support, Birthright also provides free pregnancy testing, maternity and baby clothes, information and referrals to help		
clients meet legal, medical, financial and housing needs. Each person is treated with kindness and respect and these services are available to any woman regardless of age, race, creed, economic or marital status. Every case is absolutely confidential, and all services are provided for free. Thank you, as always, for your continued donations to St. Peter	St. Joseph Annual Holy Name Trap Shoot Trap shooting and card playing will be held on Sunday, November 5, starting at Noon at St. Joseph Church, 1435 E. 1500th St., Quincy. Prizes, bacon & turkey, soup, sandwiches, drinks. All are welcome!	
Social Concerns Committee. Your dollars are being invested into our community and helping so many in need. Social Concerns 5th Sunday Collection October 28 & 29 is the Fifth Sunday collection for the Social Concerns Committee. Please consider making a donation to help support our community. Thank you for your generosity! Women's Cursillo #364	QND Extravaganza The QND Extravaganza, "Spirit of QND," will be held on Friday, November 17, 2023 at The Ambiance, 5225 Kochs Lane. Doors open at 6:00 p.m. Enjoy an evening with dinner and drinks (beer, wine and soda included), and both live and silent auction items to benefit QND. The raffle grand prize is \$3000.00 in cash, or 1 year QND tuition, or 2 years Catholic grade school tuition. Tickets are \$65 each. They are available online at <u>https://quincynotredame.ejoinme.org/extravaganza2023</u> . The silent auctions will be online and open for bidding two days before the event. Raffle tickets are also available at the online address. Tickets are on sale now!!! If you have any questions, please contact one of the Co-Chairs listed below. We hope you will come experience the Raider Family with us that night! Diana Real- 217-653-2216; Amber Hendrian- 217-316-1591; Gina Bergman- 217-430-6080. St. Edward Turkey Dinner Join us for a family style turkey dinner at St. Edward Catholic Church in Mendon, IL! Enjoy turkey, homemade dressing, mashed potatoes, gravy, corn, green beans, and dessert! Sunday, October 29, 11 a.m 1:30 p.m. Adults - \$12, Children 10 and under - \$8. Carry out meals available for \$12 each. Mass time on Sunday, October 29 at 9:30 a.m. St. Edward is located at 214 S. State Road, Mendon, IL.	
Women's Cursillo #364 will be held November 2-5 at the Franciscan Retreat Center in Quincy. Cost of the weekend is \$185.00 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 and "applications" and print one. Please keep the following in your prayers: ~Valerie Fox Ortball ~Mary Lavery		
~Bonnie Haubrich~JoAnn Schaefer~Donna Schutte~Isabella Benner~Steve Hull~Charlotte Siebers~Cindy Barner~Ed Berry~Kathy Schuckman~Bill Morrison~Ken Wolf~John & Barb Meyer~Michael Mason~Elias Erd~Hunter Hildebrand~Debra Sparrow~Dan Dailing~Kristopher Schreacke~Anonymous~Julie Eftink~Alden & Joyce Shipp~Weston Harvey~Joan Wilson		
~Natalie Meyer ~Nancy Bohan~Lorna Shade ~Liem Thanh Mai ~Amy Seibert ~Diane Zoller ~Ian Mehaffy To have a name added to this list, please call the Parish Office at 222-3155 or email church@cospq.org.~Ted Kemner ~Amy Seibert ~Ian Mehaffy	Eucharistic Miracles Follow-up If anyone wants to read more information about the Eucharistic Miracles or the young man, Bl. Carlos Acutis, who initiated the project, they can go to <u>https://carloacutis-en.org/</u> (His feast day was October 11).	







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