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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.

Thirty-second Sunday in Ordinary Time NOVEMBER 12, 2023

Wisdom 6:12-16; 1 Thessalonians 4:13-18; Matthew 25:1-13

The theme of today's Mass is "wisdom." A foolish or flighty person never thinks about goals or consequences; he/she never thinks about responsibilities; the fun of the present moment seems to be his/her only interest.

The wise person enjoys life in terms of goals and responsibilities. He/she sees that true joy and happiness will only be found in the pursuit of the right goals.

The foolish maidens in the Gospel didn't think to bring oil for their lamps. Their one purpose was to light the way for the bridegroom as he took the bride to his home. And they failed miserably in that one purpose; their sin was a failure to think, to consider, to take responsibility.

The first reading personifies wisdom. Anyone can be wise. Wisdom means seeking the real goal of life, and ordering everything in life toward that goal. Our one, over-riding goal of life is to please God in order to be happy with him here and hereafter. We need to "thirst for the Lord" as we sing in the Responsorial Psalm.

Our second reading is from 1 Thessalonians. The epistle was written to give hope to those who were discouraged about the delay in the Second Coming of Christ.

We must never give up hope. Heaven is our goal; the Lord will give us every grace needed to attain that goal if only we take the responsibility for our lives in wisdom. Let us, then, "Keep our eyes open," and live responsibly in the light of our goal

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The Parish of St. Peter Quincy, IL

~Mass Intentions~

November 13-19, 2023

- 13. Monday 8:00 a.m. Joan Sturhahn
- **14. Tuesday 8:00 a.m.** Larry Wavering
- **15. Wednesday 8:30 a.m.** Dan Barry
- **16. Thursday 8:00 a.m.** Herb Terwelp
- 17. Friday 8:00 a.m. Howard Buckley
- **18. Saturday 8:00 a.m.** Orville Lubbe
- 18. Saturday 5:00 p.m. Ashbaker & Buckley Families
- 19. Sunday 8:00 a.m. Robert & Joanne Schlepphorst
- **19. Sunday 9:30 a.m.** Farris Viar
- **19. Sunday 11:00 a.m.** Our Parish Family

— 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. Thirty-second Sunday in Ordinary Time, November 12, 2023

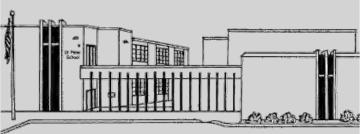
Dear Parishioners,

This weekend the Church celebrates the 32nd Sunday in this time called "Ordinary." Just a reminder that the 34th Sunday in this Ordinary Time, the last Sunday in this liturgical year, is the Solemnity of Christ the King. We have therefore two weeks remaining in this year of the Lord. And as we bring this season to a close, the Church uses our Mass readings to encourage us to examine our priorities as we await the coming of the Lord. All of us have been invited to the wedding feast of Jesus, when His bride, the Church, will be united to Him forever. Of course we want to make sure that we are a part of that number and so we are challenged by the Church to look into our lives and make sure that we are awake and ready for the Lord whenever He comes to us. This coming could be in death or at the end of time-our lives must always be prepared for His arrival when the world as we know it comes to an end. This is not meant to be a time of fear but rather a time of readiness. St. Paul in his letter to the Thessalonians tells us the following: "For the Lord Himself, with the word of command, with the voice of an archangel and with the trumpet of God, will come down from heaven, and the dead in Christ will rise first. Then we who are alive, who are left, will be caught up together with them in the clouds to meet the Lord in the air." There is new life that awaits us as we profess our faith in the resurrection of the dead and life eternal. May our hearts be ready for this coming.

The Church gives us the gospel this weekend about the ten virgins whose main function at a wedding was to light the way for the groom. Their main role was to make sure that they had enough oil for the lamps to be kept burning brightly for without it they could not function in the one role that they had. Well, we hear how five were foolish and five were wise. In other words five were not prepared and thus failed in their role while five were prepared and fulfilled their roles. Needless to say, the wise ones were invited into the wedding feast whereas the five foolish were not. In this gospel Jesus states: "stay awake, for you know neither the day nor the hours." Staying awake means looking at how we spend the gifts that God has given to us, His gifts of time, His gifts of talents, and His gifts of treasures. These gifts are like the oil in the flasks of the virgins. If we use them as God intended, our flasks will never run dry and we, like the wise virgins, will have fulfilled our purpose in life. Staying awake means looking at how we spend our time, talents, and treasures, and whether we are putting the Lord first in the use of these gifts given to us.

This weekend brings our Stewardship Renewal to a close. If you haven't returned your Commitment card or completed one online at the parish website, www.cospq.org, it is NOT too late to do so. Returning your card is an important part of being an active member of St. Peter Church. Please take this opportunity to discern how God is calling you to grow closer to Him. We are a stewardship parish and hope that you, as a member, will take this role seriously and take part through prayer and thought, how you will use your time, talents, and treasures this year of the Lord. I ask your cooperation as we, like the virgins in our gospel, examine the flasks of time, talent, and treasure given to us by our Lord and with generous hearts return to Him what is proper to Him.

The School of St. Peter



Week of November 12, 2023 A Message from Mrs. Cindy Venvertloh

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



Kindergarten students in Mrs. Gallaher and Mrs. Eaton's class celebrated the fiftieth day of school by dressing like they lived during the fifties era. They spent the day learning about this time period and incorporating it in their daily lessons!

ALL SAINTS DAY





Students in 8th grade dressed as saints in the 20th century. During the Litany of Saints during Mass they were recognized for the saint they chose. Additionally, they visited each classroom to share their knowledge about their chosen saint. Thank you eighth grade! We appreciate you!

MENU

Monday: Sausage pizza, yogurt, peas, fruit. Tuesday: Meatballs, bosco stick, broccoli, fruit. black Wednesday: Nachos, beans & corn. fruit. Thursday: Grilled chicken on bun, curly fries, mixed vegetables, fruit. Friday: Ravioli. marinara. green beans, fruit.

THIS WEEK

Out of Dress Code week for students who won the auction at the Parish Picnic.

Monday, November 13:

Tuesday, November 14:

Wednesday, November 15: **Children's Mass at 8:30** – 4th grade in charge (Students present Thank You letters during Mass). **6:00 p.m.** Parents invited to participate in a **Zoom TECH TALK** to learn about ways to keep their children safe online.

Thursday, November 16: Adoration

Friday, November 17: **Quarter 2 Midterm**—reports sent out November 21.

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Mark Your Calendar	Project Rachel
Monday, November 13:	Help for women and men to heal from the pain of abortion. For assistance call 1-877-RACHEL-5.
Tuesday, November 14: Ladies Bible Study 8:30 a.m., Martha Jane Room RCIA 7:00 p.m., Martha Jane Room Wednesday, November 15: Ladies Cursillo 1:30 p.m., Fr. Bauer Prayer Room PSR Thanksgiving Mass 6:30 p.m., Church	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.
Thursday, November 16:	Watch the Talks from the Eucharistic Congress Speakers
Friday, November 17: Social Concerns Meeting 8:30 a.m., Martha Jane Room	Everyone loved the speakers at the diocesan Eucharistic Congress October 28 in Springfield! Now you can not watch
Saturday, November 18:	their inspiring, funny, thought provoking, and uplifting talks. Go to <u>dio.org/catholictimes</u> and click on videos. While you're
Sunday, November 19: Marriage Course 6:00 p.m., <i>Martha Jane Room</i>	there, you can check out a recap video of the historic day

Fr. Leo's column continued..

As we have been gradually introducing a special campaign to build onto our campus, we invite all parishioners and school families to join us for a campaign preview event next Thursday, November 16, from 6:30-7:15 p.m. in the Church, with refreshments served immediately after in the cafeteria. This campaign is entitled Upon this Rock and will include what we hope to be additions to the St. Peter school and campus.

Also, I want to remind you of our parish mission, which will be given once again by Fr. Kolbe Woniakowski, a Benedictine priest of St. Meinrad Archabbey in St. Meinrad, Indiana. The parish mission will begin on Sunday, December 3, where Fr. Kolbe will preach at all Sunday Masses. Then he will deliver two conferences on Monday and Tuesday, December 4-5, at 6:30 p.m. in the Church. The topic will be the Eucharist and how it relates to the Advent season.

ON THE LIGHTER SIDE: I was walking with my then 4 year old daughter when she picked up something off the ground and started to put it in her mouth. I asked her not to do that. "Why?" she asked. "Because it's been laying outside and it is dirty and probably has germs." At this point, she looked at me with total admiration and asked, "Wow! How do you know all this stuff?" "Uh," I was thinking quickly,... "all moms know this stuff. It's on the Mommy Test. You have to know it, or they don't let you be a Mommy." We walked along in silence for 2 or 3 minutes, but she was evidently pondering this new information. "Oh, I get it!" she beamed. "So if you flunk, you have to be the Daddy." Magr. Les J. Enlow

WEEKLY COLLECTION

	November 5	Total to Date
Loose Collections	\$1,307.50	\$19,954.25
Regular Collections	\$26,254.40	\$495,250.60
Annual School Fund	\$10,681.00	\$142,047.00
Holy Days	\$2,829.00	\$6,288.00
Totals	\$41,071.90	\$663,539.85
Total Budget Goal	\$32,000.00	\$608,000.00
Difference	\$9,071.90	\$55,539.85

Diocesan Collections

Quincy Catholic Cemeteries: \$1,536.00 Justice & Hope: \$130.00 Dependent Children: \$10.00 World Mission: \$25.00 Retired Religious: \$20.00

Haiti Sister Parish Collections

Collected \$2.205.00

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Parish in Action

Remembering Those That Have Passed

Other Remembered Deceased Loved Ones: Don Adolfs Carl Atwell Ed L Rose Mary Benz Ray Brady Kate Emshaf Bill Fessler Wayne Johnson Kathy Laird Lester L Mary Mitten Pricilla Ann Morrison

Herbert L Norma Rakers Ben L Helen Siepker Larry Siepker Jack Souders

HOU ART PETER, AND UPON THIS **Campaign Preview Session** We invite all parishioners and school this families, current and past, to join us The Campaign for a campaign preview event: to Build in Faith at St. Peter Thursday, November 16 6:30 - 7:15 p.m. Preview session will be held in the church with refreshments served immediately after in the cafeteria. Spend an evening with friends and fellow parishioners... learn about the projects and the future of St. Peter! ADVENT PARISH MISSIO

JOIN US DECEMBER 3-5

- Begins during all Sunday Masses on 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 for ages 1 and older available in the Martha Jane Room



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.

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Social Concerns Meeting Social Concerns will be meeting Friday, November 17 at 8:30 a.m. in the Martha Jane Room. All are welcome! Today is Commitment Sunday Today all parish families are asked to bring their Commitment Card to Mass or complete a card online at our parish website, www.cospq.org. During Mass, as a parish community, we offer God our gifts of time, talent, and treasure. Our goal is to be a Stewardship Parish—a community who is noticeably committed to prayer, parish ministry, and generous financial support. All three are equally important. May God bless you as you discern how He is calling you to grow closer to Him this year. Me have the following hours OPEN at the Adoration Chapel located at St Peters. OPEN Hours that are available are:	Thankful Hearts and Cozy Nights: Our November Date Night Challenge is Here! We're continuing our Date Night Challenge with month 2 out of 3! We hope you're feeling excited to reconnect with your spouse again since your last date night in October. This November, amidst the aroma of Thanksgiving feasts, we encourage you to carve out time for a special date with your spouse. 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! Haven't signed up yet? Use 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 \$50 gift card of your choice. Take a minute and sign up now. https://bit.ly/stpeterdatenight
 Tuesday: 2 p.m. Wednesday: 1 a.m., 2 a.m., 3 a.m., 11 a.m. weeks 1,3, 4 p.m. weeks 2,4,5 Thursday: Midnight week 2 Friday: 1 a.m., 11 p.m. Saturday: Midnight, 1 a.m., 2 a.m., 3 p.m. weeks 1, 5, 5 p.m. weeks 2 Ask a friend to join you in taking an hour or share the time slot! Please call Mary Voorhis at 217 653 3127 or call or text Gina Wolf at 217 257 9966 with questions or to fill an hour. We always have room on our sub list also if that fits your schedule better. Fall Gathering of Quincy Deanery Council of Catholic Women Please join us for the upcoming Fall gathering of the Quincy Deanery Council of Catholic Women on Wednesday, November 15. Please read all of the information sheet, and sign-up in your church gathering area. We have early registration 	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 https://quincynotredame.ejoinme.org/extravaganza2023. 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.
but also right before the meeting for those who might not make the early time. You are welcome to come even if not signed up in time. We just need a good estimate for planning purposes. If you would like to donate an item for our silent auction to help pro-life ministries, you may bring an item (of any value) that would be appealing to bid on. The women and children's socks, and soap and shampoo collection helps our local Ladies of Charity store provide for the needs of our communities. We plan our program for all ages of the catholic faith, and have a new Living Liturgically session for family life, so we encourage women of all ages to come, and any children of appropriate ages who can be attentive are also most welcome. (There is no registration fee for children). We look forward to seeing you, and feel free to bring someone not of the catholic faith-evangelize!	November 2023 Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ, With a population of over 1.1 million inhabitants, the Diocese of Springfield in Illinois has tens of thousands of people in our midst living in poverty. These men, women and children seldom make the headlines. However, their needs are real and deserve our prayer, action, and financial support. Our annual Diocesan Collection for Justice and Hope (DCJH) will be taken the weekend of November 18-19, 2023. This collection gives Catholics an opportunity to reach out in solidarity to those who suffer and lack basic human necessities. All funds donated during the DCJH
Please keep the following in your prayers: ~Valerie Fox Ortball~Mary Lavery ~JoAnn Schaefer~Donna Schutte~JoAnn Schaefer~Steve Hull~Charlotte Siebers~Cindy Barner~Ed Berry~Kathy Schuckman~Bill Morrison~Anonymous~John & Barb Meyer~Michael Mason~Elias Erd~Hunter Hildebrand~Debra Sparrow~Dan Dailing~Kristopher Schreacke~Anonymous~Julie Eftink~Alden & Joyce Shipp~Sue Hildebrand~Jo Buckley~Norma Johnson~Lorna Shade~Ted Kemner~Natalie Meyer~Lorna Shade~Ted Kemner~Nancy Bohan~Liem Thanh Mai~Amy Seibert~Diane Zoller~Mario Camacho~lan Mehaffy~Michelle & Dustin Houston~Maria (Eberhardt) SparrowTo have a name added to this list, please call the Parish Office at 222-3155 or email church@cospq.org.	collection are granted to organizations that give realistic hope to the poor to break out of the cycle of poverty. Like all Catholic ministries, the DCJH grant program reaches out to the broader community, without regard to race, ethnicity or religion, This campaign seeks to address the Gospel command to care for "the least of these" (Matthew 25), and also address the systemic injustices that contribute to poverty. Please give generously to this DCJH collection and, when possible, reach out in service and solidarity to those organizations that help the poor among us, May God bless you and reward you with peace, joy, and hope. Sincerely yours in Christ, T Throms Ophn Paprocki Most Reverend Thomas John Paprocki Bishop of Springfield in Illinois







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