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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-third Sunday in Ordinary Time

NOVEMBER 19, 2023

Proverbs 31:10-13,19-20,30-31; 1 Thessalonians 5:1-6; Matthew 25:14-30

This is the last Sunday for which we shall use green vestments until the third Sunday in January. For all practical purposes, it is the end of the Season of "Ordinary Time." Next Sunday, the last Sunday of the Church Year, is the Solemnity of Christ the King. The following Sunday is the First Sunday of Advent.

Our Gospel continues Jesus' last great sermon, the "Eschatological Sermon" or Sermon on the Last Things. Last Sunday, Jesus told us to watch and to pray, to keep our lamps burning brightly. Today he tells us to use wisely the talents given us by the Lord.

It doesn't make any difference whether we receive many talents or few; the important thing is that we use our gifts and talents for God's glory. When we use our gifts in the service of others and for the glory of God, we show a "profit," and he will bless us.

The first reading today seems to be a bit of male chauvinism. It speaks of a worthy wife who does everything to please her husband. But the Church does not use this reading as a commentary on women. Rather, the Church sees herself as the "worthy wife" of Christ.

We, the Church, are to strive to reflect the glory of Christ in all things. We are called to bring him good all the days of our lives. (The reading is from the last chapter of Proverbs.)

Our second reading is from the last chapter of 1 Thessalonians. Paul has stated that the end will come, and that we must always be ready. But we don't know when the end is coming.

All of the signs of the end took place a long time ago; we await no new "signs." It only remains for us to watch and to be prepared as children of light. Let us suppose that today is the last day of our life. How would we live it? Live each day that way!

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The Parish of St. Peter Quincy, IL

~Mass Intentions~

November 20-26, 2023

20. Monday 8:00 a.m.
Dorothy Schlipman

21. Tuesday 8:00 a.m. Pat Ellerbrock

22. Wednesday 8:30 a.m. Loren Tournear

23. Thursday 9:30 a.m. Doug Frese

24. Friday 8:00 a.m. Edgar A. & Virginia R. Newman

25. Saturday 8:00 a.m. Carlene O'Brien

25. Saturday 5:00 p.m. Nan Grawe

26. Sunday 8:00 a.m. Dan Barry

26. Sunday 9:30 a.m. Penny Norton

26. 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-third Sunday in Ordinary Time, November 19, 2023

Dear Parishioners,

The Church celebrates the 33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time. The higher the number in this season called "ordinary," indicates that the liturgical year is coming to a close. In fact, next weekend is the Solemnity of Christ the King, the 34th and final Sunday in this season of the Church. Following the celebration next Sunday, the Church begins the season of Advent. Hard to believe that Christmas is within four weeks after that.

Our gospel for this weekend is Jesus telling us of the parable of the person who was going on a journey and entrusted his possessions to his servants. In this parable his possessions were in terms of talents, commensurate with the servant's abilities. He then goes off and we learn what those servants do with the talents they have been given. The first two prove to be good and faithful servants—they immediately put the talents to use doubling what had been entrusted to them. The third servant reacted to this responsibility with fear. He did not make an effort to use the talent entrusted to him. In fact, he did the opposite—he buried it in the ground. He took the easy way out and played it safe. What a tragic response! This last servant did not understand his master at all. He failed to see what a privilege he had been given, what an opportunity he had squandered. The master had wanted to give all his servants the joy and satisfaction of helping him grow his kingdom. This parable indicates what our heavenly Father wants for us too the incredible privilege of helping to advance the coming of the Kingdom of God. And we do that when we use God's gift of His talents given to us, not for ourselves, but for the sake of the kingdom of God.

Let us embrace the stewardship way of life, using all the gifts God has entrusted to us—Time, Talents, and Treasures—in such a way that at the end of our life on this earth, we will hear the words of Jesus, the giver of these gifts, who will say to us as the man in the gospel said to his servants, "well done, my good and faithful servant. Come, share your master's joy." If you have not filled out your stewardship renewal forms for this year, there is still time to do so. Please make our parish a stewardship parish by filling out these forms and bringing them back in the collection, by mail, or online.

Next Thursday, November 23, is Thanksgiving Day. For those who practice stewardship, this day has special meaning. For when we look at what God has given to all of us, including our country, we should always be filled with gratitude and thankful hearts. We will gather on this day for a Mass on Thanksgiving Day at 9:30 a.m. Our Mass is at that hour to accommodate our neighbors, the YMCA, who holds their annual Tukey Run with the streets closed off. But I do invite you to join us as we thank God for all His gifts as we recognize them and owe a debt of gratitude for each of them.

Our parish mission for Advent will be December 3-5. Fr. Kolbe Woniakowski, a Benedictine monk, will speak at all of our Sunday Masses and then two conferences on Monday and Tuesday nights at 6:30 p.m. in the Church. His topics will offer a series of presentations of the Eucharist and how it related to the Advent season. Please mark your calendars and be present.

The School of St. Peter



Week of November 19, 2023

A Message from Mrs. Cindy Venvertloh

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MENU

Monday: Hot dog, emoji fries,

corn, fruit.

Tuesday: Chicken nuggets, mashed potatoes, green

beans, fruit.

Wednesday: No School Thursday: No School Friday: No School

THIS WEEK

Monday, November 20: **School Advisory Board Meeting** at 7p.m.

Tuesday, November 21:
House Assembly at 8:30—
Students wear HOUSE colors with dress code bottoms;
Quarter 2 midterms sent home;



Wednesday, November 22: No School—Thanksgiving Break

Thursday, November 23: **Happy Thanksgiving -**

Friday, November 24: No School—Thanksgiving Break

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Mark Your Calendar

Monday, November 20:

Tuesday. November 21:

Tuesday Treats after Mass in *Narthex* Ladies Bible Study 8:30 a.m., *Martha Jane Room* RCIA 7:00 p.m., *Martha Jane Room*

Wednesday, November 22:

Ladies Cursillo 1:30 p.m., *Fr. Bauer Prayer Room* PSR Thanksgiving Mass 6:30 p.m., *Church*

Thursday, November 23:

Mass at 9:30 a.m., Church

Friday, November 24:

Parish Office Closed

Saturday, November 25:

Sunday, November 26:

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.

Fr. Leo's column continued..

On Monday night, November 27, the Quincy deanery will be hosting what is called the Andrew Dinner. The bishop will be present as well as many priests from our deanery. Just as St. Andrew brought his brother Peter to Jesus, we hope to encourage young men who might be thinking of the priesthood to join us for the evening to hear personal stories of priests and God's call to the priesthood. If any of our high school or college age students have thought of God's call in their lives, we invite you to join us for a meal at St. Anthony Church basement. Please call me if you are interested. There is no commitment and no request to sign your life away. But if you have thought about the priesthood and want to hear personal discernment from priests of the area, please join us. Promise to be done by 8:00 p.m. Just give me a call and leave your names.

ON THE LIGHTER SIDE: A new Sunday school teacher wanted to find out how much her second -grade students knew about God. "Can anyone tell me something about God?" she asked. "He's all wise and all-knowing, so He's really smart" one student said. "He can see the future," another said. Then little Johnny said, "I know something no one else knows," "Really? Please tell us," the teacher said. "God is left-handed," Johnny said. "Really? How do you know that?" the teacher asked. "Easy... cause Jesus sits on God's right hand!" Johnny replied. Johnny got an "A" for the most original idea.

"Feeling gratitude and not expressing it is like wrapping a present and not giving it."

HAPPY THANKSGIVING!

Mags. Les J. Eulov



WEEKLY COLLECTION

	November 12	Total to Date
Loose Collections	\$1,170.50	\$21,124.75
Regular Collections	\$24,809.40	\$520,060.00
Annual School Fund	\$3,711.00	\$145,758.00
Holy Days	\$30.00	\$6,318.00
Totals	\$29,720.90	\$693,260.75
Total Budget Goal	\$32,000.00	\$640,000.00
Difference	(\$2,279.10)	\$53,260.75

Diocesan Collections

Quincy Catholic Cemeteries: \$630.00 Justice & Hope: \$70.00

Haiti Sister Parish Collections

Collected \$650.00

Parish in Action

ADVENT PARISH MISSION

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.

2023 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 **November 23 through December 3**. 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 9 and 10**. The local organizations will pick up their gifts on December 11, so NO gifts delivered after December 10. This will replace the Social Concerns 1st Sunday collection for December. Thank you in advance for your generosity!

Christmas Decorations (Please print legibly)

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 10, or email church@cospq.org.

A Donation for Christmas Decorations	•		
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Baptism

Riley Joseph Ormond, son of Austin & Grace (Siebers) Ormond, was made a child of God through the reception of the sacrament of Baptism on Saturday, November 11, 2023.

Thanksgiving Day Mass

Our morning Mass on Thanksgiving Day will be at 9:30 a.m. instead of 8:00 a.m. because of the Turkey Run from the YMCA. Please enter through the Park Road.

Thursday & Friday

The Parish Office will be closed Thursday and Friday (11/23 & 11/24) for the Thanksgiving holiday.

Fellowship Tuesdays

Join us for Fellowship Tuesdays after 8:00 a.m. Mass this week (11/21). Come for Mass, fellowship, coffee and treats!

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.cospg.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.

St. Peter Social Concerns Christmas Cookie Sale - Bakers! December 9 & 10

We need your help! Bake a batch of Christmas cookies for this special fundraiser. Bring Cookies to the Cafeteria on that SATURDAY after 2:00 p.m. 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!

Adoration Chapel Hours

We have the following hours OPEN at the Adoration Chapel located at St Peters. OPEN Hours that are available are:

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. week 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 our. We have room on our sub list if that fits your schedule better.

Please keep the following in your prayers:

~Valerie Fox Ortball ~Bonnie Haubrich ~Donna Schutte ~Charlotte Siebers ~Kathy Schuckman ~John & Barb Meyer ~Hunter Hildebrand

~Kristopher Schreacke

~Alden & Joyce Shipp

~Norma Johnson

~JoAnn Schaefer ~Isabella Benner ~Cindy Barner

~Mary Lavery

~Steve Hull ~Ed Berry ~Bill Morrison ~Anonymous ~Michael Mason ~Elias Erd ~Dan Dailing

~Debra Sparrow ~Anonymous ~Sue Hildebrand ~Weston Harvey

~Jo Buckley ~Joan Wilson ~Ted Kemner

~Julie Eftink

~Natalie Meyer ~Lorna Shade ~Nancy Bohan ~Liem Thanh Mai ~Diane Zoller ~Mario Camacho

~Amy Seibert ~lan Mehaffy

~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.

Welcome!

Please welcome to our parish family Andrew & Jordan Hogan, and their daughters Drew & Noah; and Morse & Darlene White!

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

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 2023 (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 Wednesday, November 29, 2023. Please help us bring some sunshine to our Homebound/ Nursing Home parishioners! If you have any questions, please contact Jodi McDonald (5mcdonaldsic@gmail.com) or Lyn Strieker (I.strieker@cospq.org). Signup Genius link: https://www.signupgenius.com/go/60B0B4CA5AE22A64-46053898-stpeter. Thank you all for your help continuing this ministry!

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 you! https://www.amazon.com/registries/gl/guestview/2FRK3R44KIVT3

Adoration for Priests at Blessed Sacrament

There will be an hour of Adoration for Priests followed by benediction at Blessed Sacrament Church, 1119 S 7th, November 19, 2023 from 3:00 to 4:00 p.m. all are invited to come and pray for your priests.

St. Anthony Pancake & Sausage Breakfast

St. Anthony Church Pancake & Sausage Breakfast is on Sunday, December 10, 7:00 a.m.- Noon, dine in or carry out. For Advance Meat Orders call 217-257-2108: sausage, chops or Ribs 5 lbs.-\$25; Cooked Links 5 lbs. (precooked weight) \$30. Orders taken November 1-December 1. Anv orders after December 1 depend on availability.

Breakfast for Women at St. Francis

A Breakfast for Women - SAVE the DATE of December 9 at 9 a.m. at St. Francis. Our Beloved Fr. James Wheeler OFM will be the inspirational speaker. More Details to come!

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Next Meeting FOUND Goes Bowling November 26 6:30 p.m. - 8:00 p.m. Drop off & pickup at Tangerine Bowl

All 7th, 8th, & 9th graders & their friends welcome!



Saints Alive! December 3

6:00-7:30 p.m. in the Gym

A youth group for 4th, 5th, & 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 6:00-7:30 p.m. Wear your Saints Alive Shirt! Please check Facebook for updates.











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