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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. Second Sunday of Lent

FEBRUARY 25, 2024 Genesis 22:1-2,9a,10-13,15-18; Romans 8:31b-34; Mark 9:2-10

It's irony and paradox: Our greatest triumphs often follow our worst setbacks; conversely, our glories in this life are sometimes clouded by unbearable crosses.

Our first reading shows this irony: God had chosen Abraham as his special person; he promised him a homeland. He had given him a son in his and Sarah's old age. Now, apparently, God wanted Abraham to sacrifice his son Isaac! Abraham did not understand, yet he trusted that, somehow, God would bring everything out all right.

Our second reading contains that beautiful statement that if God is for us, nothing can be against us. God did not spare his own Son. He allowed him to be delivered up just for our salvation! What an irony! God spared Abraham's son, but not his own! God loves us with an everlasting love.

The Gospel of the Second Sunday of Lent is always the story of the Transfiguration of our Lord. Mark's Gospel has some very down-to-earth images. He says that Jesus' clothes were whiter than any bleach could make them! Peter, overwhelmed at the scene, says how good it is to be there.

His remark about three booths (or tents) may be a reference to the Jewish festival of Succoth, the most joyful of Jewish days, when booths were erected from which all kinds of presents and sweets came.

Or it may be a reference of reverence, alluding to tabernacles to house the patriarchs and the Son of God. The irony is that the scene concludes with Jesus' statement about his own death. The Transfiguration was intended to strengthen the apostles for the ordeal of the cross.

We are transfigured into the image of Christ by our baptism. We don't see this image, but we must have faith that he is with us and in us. In his strength, we must carry our cross, confident of victory.

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The Parish of St. Peter Quincy, IL

~Mass Intentions~

February 26-March 3, 2024

26. Monday 8:00 a.m. Leta May Frese26. Monday 6:30 p.m. NO MASS

- 27. Tuesday 8:00 a.m. Roger Frankenhoff
- 27. Tuesday 6:30 p.m. Michael Creek
- 28. Wednesday 8:30 a.m. Loren Tournear
- 28. Wednesday 6:30 p.m. Linda McCulla
- **29. Thursday 8:00 a.m.** Mary Alice O'Hearn
- 29. Thursday 6:30 p.m. Joan Varner Dittmer
- **1. Friday 8:00 a.m.** Marquerite Schlipmann
- 1. Friday 6:30 p.m. Leona Dietrich
- 2. Saturday 8:00 a.m. Kenneth Schlipman
- 2. Saturday 5:00 p.m. Viola & Raymond Deters
- **3. Sunday 8:00 a.m.** Jim & Linda Musolino
- **3. Sunday 9:30 a.m.** Our Parish Family
- **3. Sunday 11:00 a.m.** Jack Souders

- 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.

Second Sunday of Lent, February 25, 2024

Dear Parishioners,

I think most of us, sometime in our lives, can relate to our Scripture readings for our Masses this weekend. Our first reading from Genesis is the story in which Abraham was put to the test by God. After years of trying, Abraham and Sarah were unable to have a child. Abraham remained ever faithful to God and accepted this outcome as a reality of life. Then God promised this elderly couple a child and so it happened. Can you imagine? A life long dream has come true. But now God askes the impossible of Abraham. This child of promise is now to be offered up as a sacrifice to God on the altar of God's choosing. Just when everything is in place, God intervenes through a messenger and says to Abraham, "Do not lay your hand on the boy. Do not do the least thing to him. I know now how devoted you are to God, since you did not withhold from me your own beloved son." After this exchange, Abraham offered a sacrifice only this time of a ram that seemingly was provided for him by God. Then because of his obedience and his willingness to sacrifice his own son, the love of his life, God blessed Abraham and said, "I will make your descendants countless as the stars of the sky and the sands of the seashore." Often times we find ourselves in the situation of Abraham. The very things that we love, that are important to us, for some reason are taken from us. We don't understand this reality nor do we fully accept it. Yes we deal with the loss but it shakes us at the core of our being. But the God who provided a sacrifice for Abraham is the same God who provides for all of us in times of trial and testing. May we, like Abraham, remain ever obedient knowing that this same God will bless all of us far beyond our imagining.

On behalf of our parish family, I want to welcome Fr. Denis Robinson, a Benedictine priest and current rector at St. Meinrad Seminary in St. Meinrad, Indiana. He will be preaching all the Masses this weekend as well as having two conferences on Sunday evening and Monday evening at 6:30 p.m. This presentation is what we would call our Lenten Parish Mission, or perhaps a Lenten miniretreat. Please take advantage of this opportunity given to you as it will assist you in your own Lenten devotions. Since we have been highlighting the Eucharist throughout this past year, the theme of this mission will be Eucharist and how it might relate to our season of Lent. For parents of young children, we will provide child care services in the basement of the Church during the two conferences as well as a reception after the conference on Monday night. I also hear that Fr. Denis will be having a companion from St. Meinrad to join him and us, namely, Deacon Jayke White. So welcome Deacon Jayke as he nears his ordination date.

Because of the parish mission on Monday, February 26, there will be NO EVENING MASS AND NO CONFESSIONS on that day.

This Tuesday, February 27 through Thursday, February 29, we are sending a few parishioners to the McGread Conference on Stewardship in Wichita, Kansas. Fr. Zach will be joining these parishioners and we hope that they return to us with an enthusiasm to help us maintain St. Peter as a stewardship parish. I ask your prayers for them on this trip. Being stewards of God's gift is one of the greatest ways we can give our God thanks and praise for all these come from Him. **EXAMPLE 1 EVALUATE OF CONTROL OF CONTROL**

JOIN US!

- Begins during all Weekend Masses on 2/24 and 2/25
- Continues with Parish Mission Conferences on 2/25 and 2/26 at 6:30 p.m. in the Church
- A reception will follow on 2/26 in the Cafeteria
- Childcare available for children age 1 and older



Fr. Denis Robinson, OSB is excited to return to St. Peter for his second Lenten Parish Mission. He will offer a series of presentations on the Eucharist and how this relates to the Lenten season.

Ordained a Priest in 1993, Fr. Denis is a Benedictine Monk and Priest of Saint Meinrad Archabbey in St. Meinrad, Indiana. He has served in Parish Ministry, as a Spiritual Director, and Seminary Professor.

For the past 14 years, Fr. Denis has served as the President-Rector of Saint Meinrad Seminary & School of Theology. He is responsible for the formation of future Priests from over 25 Dioceses, including a number of men studying for the Diocese of Springfield in Illinois.

Call 217.222.3155 for more information.

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SCHOOL MENU

Monday: Hot dog, curly fries, baked beans, fruit. Tuesday: Pepperoni bosco stick, broccoli, fruit. Wednesday: Chicken fries, emoji fries, peas, fruit. Thursday: Tenderloin, hash brown, corn, fruit. Friday: Pancakes, veggie juice, yogurt, fruit.

Mark your calendars: Kindergarten Round Up Thursday, March 14: 5:30-7:30 or Friday, March 15: 12:30-2:30

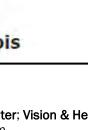
THIS WEEK AT SCHOOL

Monday, February 26:

Tuesday, February 27: **3rd grade trip to Quincy Art Center**; **Vision & Hearing screenings**; **Preschool sign up** genius goes live at 6 p.m.

Wednesday, February 28: **Children's Mass**—7th grade in charge of mass; Vision & Hearing screening continues

Thursday, February 29: House Assembly—students wear their House shirts with out of dress code bottoms; Right to Life Essays due; Vision & Hearing screening Friday, March 1:



Mark Your Calendar

Monday, February 26: NO 6:30 p.m. Mass -Parish Mission 6:30 p.m., *Church*

Tuesday, February 27: -Ladies Bible Study 8:30 a.m., Martha Jane Room -Mass 6:30 p.m., Church -RCIA 7:00 p.m., Martha Jane Room

Wednesday, February 28: -Ladies Cursillo 1:30 p.m., *Fr. Bauer Prayer Room* -Mass 6:30 p.m., *Church* -PSR 6:30 p.m., *School*

Thursday, February 29: -Mass 6:30 p.m., Church

Friday, March 1: -Mass 6:30 p.m., Church

Saturday, March 2:

Sunday, March 3:

-Coffee & Donuts and Blood Pressures after all Masses

Fr. Leo's column continued..

As we look ahead, we will be celebrating the Sacrament of Reconciliation for our students at St. Peter school on Tuesday, March 5, from 8:45-11:00 a.m. Then that Wednesday, March 6, beginning at Noon, and Thursday, March 7, the priests of the diocese will be at their Spring gathering in Springfield with the Bishop. Because of our absence from the parish, there will be **NO MASS AND NO CONFESSIONS ON WEDNESAY EVENING, MARCH 6 AND NO MASS ON THURSDAY MORNING, MARCH 7.**

Next weekend, March 2-3, the parishes in Quincy will be celebrating QND commitment weekend. A student from Quincy Notre Dame High School will be here to thank us for our support of their Catholic high school in the past as well as solicit our support for them in their annual QND commitment campaign. As a community we can be very proud of being able to say that our young people have an opportunity to have a Catholic education from Pre-k to 12 years of schooling. I ask your support in this campaign which allows all students to be able to attend this Catholic high school.

<u>ON THE LIGHTER SIDE</u>: All about family

- 1. By the time a man realizes his father was right, he has a son who thinks he is wrong. C. Wadsworth
- 2. A baby is a loud noise at one end and no sense of responsibility at the other. Ronald Knox.
- 3. Behind every successful man stands a surprised mother-in-law. Hubert Humphrey
- 4. My husband wanted one of those big-screen TVs for his birthday. So I just moved his chair closer to the one we already have.

Wendy Liebman Mag. Les J. Eulon

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.

The Road to Hope Book Study

During this season of Lent, we are called to prayer, which could include spiritual companionship for those who need healing. Please join us for a book study to discover how our Catholic Church calls us to be spiritual companions for those suffering and needing healing. If you are interested in learning about how our Church is helping those who have family members or friends who suffer from any form of addiction, please pick up a copy of the book The Road to Hope: Responding to the Crisis of Addiction, which is available in the Narthex. If you are interested in discussing this book with others in our Catholic Church community, please join us for two book study gatherings on Thursday, March 7 and Thursday, March 21 from 7:00 - 8:00 p.m. in the Martha Jane room. For more information, please contact Carol Frericks at 217-316-6711.

Online Giving Now Available

Starting January 1, 2024, St. Peter has partnered with Pushpay to create an easy way to make online contributions to the Church, School, or Haiti. Please use the QRCode or Pushpay link below to start your yearly giving. Any questions please contact the parish office.



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WEEKLY COLLECTION

	February 18	Total to Date
Loose Collections	\$1,224.41	\$38,520.19
Regular Collections	\$65,632.42	\$1,056,655.43
Annual School Fund	\$10,890.50	\$319,250.87
Holy Days	\$0.00	\$50,833.52
Totals	\$77,747.33	\$1,465,260.01
Total Budget Goal	\$32,000.00	\$1,088,000.00
Difference	\$45,747.33	\$377,260.01

Diocesan Collections

Catholic Times: \$50.00 Quincy Catholic Cemetery: \$25.00 Latin America: \$11.00 Eastern Europe: \$2,027.50

Haiti Sister Parish Collections

Collected \$900.00

We have a team of dedicated volunteers for the *Upon this Rock* campaign who have been working behind the scenes and I would like to thank them as we embark on the fundraising phase of the campaign.

Our volunteers are tasked with visiting with as many parishioners as possible. WE WISH WE HAD ENOUGH VOLUNTEERS TO VISIT WITH EACH OF OUR 1.300-PLUS PARISH HOUSEHOLDS...but we don't have enough of a volunteer team. That said, please know our goal is to meet with as many parishioners. in person, as possible.

As you receive packets of information in the mail from the *Upon this Rock* campaign, we want to share what you should be receiving in the packet:

Every parishioner will receive:

- 1. An appeal letter from Fr. Leo with an INVITATION to support the campaign
- A case statement or brochure that outlines the campaign projects and goals, and details how we all can support the campaign
- A Frequently Asked Questions brochure, that was put together with the most common questions we have heard surrounding the campaign.

Some parishioners will receive the above PLUS:

- · A pledge card
- · A business return envelope for the pledge card

If you do NOT receive a pledge card in your packet, that means a campaign volunteer will be contacting you to discuss the campaign. Your volunteer has your pledge card and will provide the card when you meet.

If you receive a pledge card and wish to visit with a volunteer, please call the campaign office at 217/222-3155 and we will accommodate you as best as we can.

Thank you for your cooperation, your consideration and your support of St. Peter Catholic Church and School!

Monsignor Leo Enlow Pastor





Easter Flowers

To make a donation for Easter flowers in memory of a loved one, please fill out the envelope in your packet or, for those who do not receive envelopes, please put your donation in a plain envelope labeled "Easter Flowers" along with this form and place it in the collection by Sunday, March 17.

Given by:_

In Memory of:___

Lenten Evening Masses We are having the 6:30 p.m. evening Masses Monday	Welcome! Please welcome to our parish family	
through Friday during Lent. There will also be confessions at 5:45 p.m 6:15 p.m. on Monday, Wednesday, & Friday before Mass.	Chris & Bailey Holtsclaw, and their sons Colton & Casen; Jordan & Madelyn Eickelschulte and their son Bennett!	
No Lenten Evening Mass 2/26 We will not have Evening Mass or Confessions on 2/26 due to the Parish Mission that evening.	March 2024 Usher Schedule Saturday, 5:00 p.m. Mass Lead Usher: Kent Lepper Ushers: Chuck Fitch, Mike Kurk, Bob Rakers, John Terstriep Sunday, 8:00 a.m. Mass Lead Usher: Dale Venvertloh Ushers: Ernie Bain, David Busen, Terry Hickey, Dave Kuhl Sunday, 9:30 a.m. Mass Lead Usher: Eric Entrup Ushers: Anna & Russ Hinkamper, Jil & Robert Johnson Sunday, 11:00 a.m. Mass Lead Usher: Ted Niemann Ushers: Dave Cawthon, Tom Deters, Kevin Meyer, Jim Scott	
Social Concerns Collection Social Concerns will be collecting canned meats, tuna, canned fruit, canned green beans and corn, peanut butter & jelly next weekend, March 2-3 for the 1st Sunday collection for the Ladies of Charity. Containers will be located in the Narthex. Thank you in advance!		
Coffee & Donuts and Blood Pressures Next Sunday Please join us next Sunday, March 3, after all Masses in the cafeteria for Coffee & Donuts and blood pressure screenings.		
QND Job Openings Quincy Notre Dame has the following full-time positions open for the 2024-25 school year: Social Studies Teacher Director of Enrollment Management Resource Teacher To receive full consideration, submit a resume, cover letter and three letters of reference to QND Principal Mark McDowell, mmcdowell@quincynotredame.org, by Friday, March 1. Contact Mark McDowell for more information on each position.	March 2024 EHMC Schedule Saturday, 5:00 p.m. Mass – Kent Anderson (1), Tom Klene (2), Angela Lepper (3), George Meyer (4), Sharon Mitten (5), Helen Terstriep (6) Sunday, 8:00 a.m. Mass – Sara Bradfield (1), Richard Taylor (2), Mary Ann Klein (3), Bob Musolino (4), Connie & George Schrage (5 & 6) Sunday, 9:30 a.m. Mass – Mindy Entrup (1), Sarah Stegeman (2), Laurie & Martin Stegeman (3 & 4), Brian Terstegge (5), Gabriel VanderBol (6)	
QND Coaching Openings Quincy Notre Dame has the following coaching positions open	Sunday, 11:00 a.m. Mass – Dianne & Jim Deters (1 & 2), Karen Disseler (3), Bradley Smith (4), Kent Stegeman (5), Zach VanderBol (6)	
for the 2024-25 school year: Girls Volleyball Head Coach Girls Tennis Head Coach To receive full consideration, submit a resume and three references to QND Athletic Director Bill Connell at: bconnell@quincynotredame.org, by Friday, March 1. What is CRS Rice Bowl? CRS Rice Bowl is a Catholic Relief Services' Lenten faith-in-	Chaddock Collection: Hygiene Products The Chaddock Outreach Ministry will be collecting hygiene products. Items needed are body wash, shampoo, conditioner, African-American hair care products, lotion, combs/brushes, stick deodorant, toothbrush/paste, shaving cream, razor, and chapstick. Please take a tag from the table in the Narthex. Items can be placed in the box in the Narthex March 9-10. Thank you for being a good neighbor to the	
action program for families and faith communities. Through CRS Rice Bowl, we deepen our personal experience of Lent. We can devote our Lenten prayers, fasting and gifts to transform our relationship with God and neighbor. Please pick up your families Rice Bowl. Bowls are in the Narthex and will be collected April 6 & 7 -the weekend after Easter. Please keep the following in your prayers: ~Valerie Fox Ortball ~Mary Lavery ~Bonnie Haubrich ~JoAnn Schaefer ~Donna Schutte ~Isabella Benner ~Ken Althoff	residents at Chaddock. Women of Faith Women of Action Yearning to increase your prayer life, improve your leadership skills and perform acts of charity and service? Visit the Quincy Deanery Catholic Council of Women's informational table in the cafeteria after Sunday Mass, March 3, during coffee and donuts. Learn about this group of "Women of Faith and Women of Action" and the upcoming April 3 meeting. For more information, contact Gina Wolf at g.wolf@cospg.org or Susan Asher at asherte@vahoo.com.	
~Charlotte~Cindy Barner~Ed Berry~Kathy Schuckman~Bill Morrison~Anonymous~John & Barb Meyer~Michael Mason~Elias Erd~Hunter Hildebrand~Debra Sparrow~Dan Dailing~Kristopher Schreacke~Diane Wagner~Julie Eftink~Alden & Joyce Shipp~Sue Hildebrand~Jo Buckley~Anonymous~Weston Harvey~Joan Wilson~Natalie Meyer~Lorna Shade~Ted Kemner~Nancy Bohan~Liem Thanh Mai~Amy Seibert~Diane Zoller~Mario Camacho~lan Mehaffy~Michelle & Dustin Houston~Maria (Eberhardt) Sparrow	St. Anthony & St. Dominic Fish Fries St. Dominic School: 3/1, 3/15 at 4:30-7:00 p.m. St. Anthony Church: 3/8, 3/22 at 4:30-7:00 p.m. Catfish or walleye plate \$14, child's plate \$8, fish sandwich/fries/drink \$8. Carry outs available: St. Dominic - East driveway, St. Anthony - South basement entrance. Assistant Groundskeeper (Full-Time) – Calvary Cemetery Calvary Cemetery is seeking a motivated and detail- oriented individual to serve as an Assistant Groundskeeper. In this role, you will play a crucial part in supporting the	
To have a name added to this list, please call the Parish Office at 222-3155 or email church@cospq.org.	maintenance team to ensure the cemetery grounds are kept in optimal condition. Please call Quincy Calvary Cemetery Office at 217-223-3390 to inquire on the position.	







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