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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.

Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

JULY 27, 2025

Genesis 18:20-32; Colossians 2:12-14; Luke 11:1-13

A general theme for today's Mass might be: "Persevere in prayer." Quite often, the theme of the Mass is summed up in the Responsorial Psalm. Today, the refrain for the psalm is: "Lord, on the day I called for help, you answered me."

The first reading is a very primitive account of "Semitic bargaining" between Abraham and God. The cities of Sodom and Gomorrah were proverbial for their corruption. Evil demands the judgment of God. But Abraham keeps reminding God how good he is. Surely God wouldn't want anyone to say that he destroyed the innocent with the guilty!

Abraham keeps bargaining and pleading. Unfortunately, there were not even ten good people in Sodom. In the Gospel, Jesus gives the Lord's Prayer as the model of all prayer. We pray that God may be recognized by all people, that his will be done, that he will give us our needs, that he will forgive us as we forgive others, and that he will protect us from the final cataclysm.

Jesus says that if we, as bad as we are, know how to give good things to our children, how much more will God give us his blessings, if we have faith. We must always keep asking; we must keep knocking on the Lord's door.

The second reading gives us confidence in our prayer: We don't ask God to hear us because of our merits. Rather, we ask him to hear us because of Christ, and because we belong to Christ.

--Msgr. William Carr
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The Parish of St. Peter Quincy, IL

Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time, July 27, 2025 ear Parishioners,

This weekend, we celebrate the last weekend in our month of July. I always regret this particular weekend as it is a reminder that our summer months are about to come to an end. Basically, that means school is about to begin again. I keep asking myself where did our summer go? For me personally it has been a summer of health issues. Hopefully these issues will be resolved and maybe I will get back to some normalcy in my life. No matter what challenges we might have, the thought of school beginning and summer coming to a close will not change. However, for us here at St. Peter this new school year will be a little different as we deal with the new construction. Through this next school year, we will be able to see our building project being raised from the ground and be proud of our new addition. So this new school year will be an exciting time for us.

In our first reading for today from the Book of Genesis, we find Abraham coming to the assistance of two cities called Sodom and Gomorrah. Apparently, these cities were the examples of immorality and sinfulness. And it was because of that immorality that God was threatening their total destruction. It is in these surroundings do we find our reading today. Abraham seems to try to persuade God how inappropriate it would be to destroy these cities especially if there were 50 good people living within them. Abraham's discussion with God persisted as he tries to convince God to lower the number to 45, then again to 40, then 30 and finally down to ten. And God replies, "for the sake of those ten, I will not destroy it." In this dialogue, we find a type of prayer. Abraham tries to convince God to answer his requests, and God in turn shows His abundant mercy and compassion. I just find this type of dialogue filled with honesty and forthrightness, an example of what all of our prayers should be. So often I find as human beings that we are very much like Abraham. There are things in our life that we want. And so often then our prayers become a type of bargaining with God. We are honest and forthright in our requests, and our prayers seem to desire to change God's mind. Just like Abraham attempted to do. Often our Scriptures tell us to persevere in our prayer and that is what we always try to do. I remember reading about prayer that our prayer does not necessarily change God's mind but our prayers help us see things differently and changes us. Something to always remember whenever we pray.

Once again, I want to remind you that when school begins, our Wednesday Mass for our children will start at 8:20 a.m. instead of 8:30 a.m. Our first all school Mass then will be on Wednesday, August 27. Please mark your calendars with this change. Thank you. Also, the kick-off the school year Mass will be on Sunday, August 17, at 11:00 a.m. Then the first day of school will be on Tuesday, August 19 with early dismissal at 11:30 a.m. As we begin our new school year, please read all the information concerning this new school year in light of all the construction taking place on our campus. The first full day of school will be Wednesday, August 20, for grades 1-8. The preschool and kindergarten students have special schedules. Please consult the information from the school regarding dates and times. Also, for those who use our daycare program, please consult the information from the grade school for dates whether morning or afternoon.

~Mass Intentions~

July 28-August 3, 2025

28. Monday 8:00 a.m. Tom Lepper

29. Tuesday 8:00 a.m. Leo Bauer

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

31. Thursday 8:00 a.m. Cindy Brown

1. Friday 8:00 a.m. Fabian Deters

2. Saturday 8:00 a.m.
William, Ted & Bruce
Sander

2. Saturday 5:00 p.m. Our Parish Family

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

3. Sunday 9:30 a.m. Venvertioh Descendents

3. Sunday 11:00 a.m. Zakery Haubrich

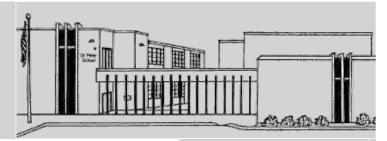
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Monday-Saturday 8:00 a.m. Wednesday 8:30 a.m. Saturday 5:00 p.m. Sunday 8:00 a.m., 9:30 a.m., & 11:00 a.m.

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Saturday: 7:30-7:50 a.m. 3:30-4:30 p.m.

The School of St. Peter



Week of July 27, 2025

A Message from Mrs. Cindy Venvertloh

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

WE HAVE BEEN BUSY!!!







To Do List

Many

Mrs. Gail, Mrs. Hutson and Mrs. Reichert have been working hard to end the past school year and prepare for the coming school vear! We have all been busy getting things accomplished. We look forward to the school year ahead!



PATRIOTS QUINCE IL

If you ordered school supplies through 1st Day School Supplies, plan to pick up your order on August 13 from 5:00-6:30 p. m.



Summer Hours

Wednesday, July 30 from 9:00-2:00p.m.

Join us for the Kick Off the School Year Mass on Sunday, August 17 at 11:00

Be sure to bring in your school supplies to meet the teachers after Mass.

PARENT SUMMER LETTER-STUDENT HOMEROOMS

All enrolled families will be informed of their child's homeroom placement on July 30! By now you should have received the Parent Summer email that informs parents about the first days of school!

School of St. Peter 2500 Maine Street Quincy, IL 62301 Phone: 217-223-1120

Website: www.stpeterschool.com Email: c.venvertloh@cospg.org

Mark Your Calendar

Monday, July 28:

Tuesday, July 29:

Wednesday, July 30:

Thursday, July 31:

Friday, August 1:

Saturday, August 2:

Sunday, August 3:

r. Leo's column continued..

Have you turned in your raffle tickets for our parish picnic? The annual St. Peter parish picnic will be held in four weeks, on Saturday, August 23. With the construction taking place, our picnic might be a little different this year but regardless, we ask your support through raffle tickets, attendance, working it, or even just your prayers. All are important and help to make our parish picnic the success that it always is. If you need a place to work, consult one of the chairpersons of the picnic and they will assist you. Thanks to all who make this night a joy!

T E LIG TER SI E:

The Sharp Wit of Dorothy Parker:

- 1. Of course I talk to myself. I like a good speaker, and I appreciate an intelligent audience.
- 2. If you don't have anything nice to say, come sit by me.
- 3. Time may be a great healer, but it's a lousy beautician.
- 4. The first thing I do in the morning is brush my teeth and sharpen my tongue.
- 5 The only dependable law of life—everything is always worse than you thought it was going to be.
- 6. Honesty means nothing until you are tested under circumstances where you are sure you could get away with dishonesty.

Mary was four and was just beginning to peel from her very first sunburn. As she looked in the mirror, tears filled her eyes, and she said, "Look at me. I'm only four and I'm already starting to wear out."

Mags. Les J. Eulow

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.

Quincy Deanery Women's Summer Gathering

Quincy Deanery Council of Catholic Women's Summer Gathering will be held Wednesday, August 13 at Holy Family Parish in Mt. Sterling. Theme: "Woman as daughter, sister, bride and Mother" Featured speaker: Sr. M. Clementia Toalson, FSGM, Springfield Diocese Catholic Education, Evangelization and Faith Formation. Registration 7:45-8:30. Cost \$10. Mass 8:30 with Adoration before and the rosary. 10:00 a.m. breakfast, meeting and Lunch. Ends approximately 2:00 p.m. Questions, contact Claudia Coggeshall QDCCW President rccogg@adams.net 217-653-6716

Online Giving Now Available

St. Peter has partnered with Pushpay to create an easy way to make online contributions to the Church, School, or Haiti. Please use QRCode or Pushpay link below to start your yearly giving. Any questions please contact the parish office. https://pushpay.com/g/stpeterquincy



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WEEKLY COLLECTION

	<u>July 20</u>	Total to Date
Loose Collections	\$1,097.01	\$3,525.02
Regular Collections	\$37,966.56	\$91,324.56
Annual School Fund	\$8,413.00	\$18,224.00
Holy Days	\$0.00	\$10.00
Totals	\$47,476.01	\$113,083.58
Total Budget Goal	\$32,000.00	\$96,000.00
Difference	\$15,476.01	\$17,083.58

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Missionary Co-op Appeal: \$2,565.00

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Collected \$1,145.00

Parish in Action

Bake for Birthright

Birthright will once again have a booth at the K of C Barbeque on August 8-10. St. Peter Church is assigned Friday, August 8. Each parish is asked to donate homemade or store-bought baked goods for the bake sale (booth open 4:00 p.m.-10:00 p.m.). These can be brought to the K of C grounds on Friday, August 9 or arrangements can be made for a pick up time. For questions or to set up a pick up time please call Patty at 217-577-8558.

In conjunction with the Bake Sale, Birthright will hold a raffle for a handmade (queen) quilt and a dining out package. Each person who donates to the bake sale will have their name entered into this raffle with our grateful thanks for your generosity. If you bring your baked item to the K of C grounds, you can fill out your own raffle ticket. If you have your items picked up, please put your name, parish and phone number secured to your baked item and we will make sure that your name is entered.

Birthright operates an office at 1200 Broadway in the lower level. In a non-judgmental atmosphere, Birthright assists young girls and women who are struggling with unexpected or unwanted pregnancies to see their babies through to birth and beyond. Birthright operates solely on donations and is solely staffed by volunteers. If you have any questions about Birthright and its services, please contact Birthright co-director Pam Eftink @ 217-440-8806 or co-director Katie Klauser @ 217-430-2690.







Rest in Peace

May the soul of

Charlotte Craven

sing praises with the Angels in Heaven forever.

Social Concerns Collection

Social Concerns will be collecting canned meals (beef stew, spaghetti and meatballs), rice & pasta mixes, canned fruit next weekend, August 2-3 for the 1st Sunday collection for the Ladies of Charity. Containers will be located in the Narthex. Thank you in advance!

Help Record Saturday Evening Masses

Any adult and high school parishioners, or those with background and experience in media and technology who would be interested in recording/livestreaming Saturday evening Masses for those who cannot be present with us make yourselves known! This is a wonderful ministry to be a part of and obtain some experience assisting in the liturgy behind the scenes. Interested candidates will receive thorough and hands-on training on how to operate our recording/ livestreaming technology before they are assigned to do so themselves. For more information or questions, please contact Jesse Mose, Director of Music & Liturgy at J.mose@cospg.org.

St. Peter Church Summer Choir

The second and last St. Peter Church Summer Choir Opportunity will be offered on August 3. Rehearsal will begin at 8:30 a.m. in the parish choir room, located to the side of the cafeteria, followed by 9:30 a.m. Mass. Any high school or adult parishioners are welcome! For more information and/or to RSVP, please contact Jesse Mose, Director of Music & Liturgy at J.mose@cospq.org.

9th Annual DJ Memorial Golf Tournament

The 9th Annual DJ Memorial Golf Tournament will be held Saturday, August 9 at Spring Lake Country Club in Quincy. Registration & lunch at Noon, shotgun start at 1:00 p.m. Register online today at 7memorialgolf.com or on Facebook at "7memorialgolf". \$100 per person, \$400 per team. Scramble format. All proceeds help fund the DJ Venvertloh Memorial Scholarship, honoring DJ and QND's commitment to hard work and dedication.

Please keep the following in your prayers:



~Elias Erd

~Hunter Hildebrand

~Amy Seibert ~Terri May

~Kathy Schuckman ~Jovce Shipp

~Mary Lavery

~Ken Althoff

~Nancy Bohan ~Julie Eftink ~John & Barb Meyer ~Bill Morrison

~Donna Schutte ~John Douglas Holford

~Cheryl Liesen ~Lori Eaton

~Elizabeth Topf ~Rinley Barry ~Tom Friye

~Jo Buckley

~Mike Schuttler ~Linda Mettemeyer

~Julia Maas

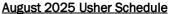
~Ellie Peters ~Don McCleary ~Pat Arnold ~Winnie Vogel ~Anonymous

~lan Mehaffy ~Bonnie Haubrich ~Dave & Bryce Shank

~Emmett Hertle ~Anonymous ~Drake Willing ~Liem Thanh Mai

~Maria (Eberhardt) Sparrow ~Sarah Sturhahn Stegeman

To have a name added to this list, please call the Parish Office at 222-3155 or email church@cospg.org.



Saturday, 5:00 p.m. Mass - Lead Usher: Steve Sturhahn Ushers: Ray Koenig, Bob Rakers, Doug Sperry, John Terstriep Sunday, 8:00 a.m. Mass - Lead Usher: Kent Schreacke Ushers: Dave Cramsey, Terry Hickey, Isaac Scoggin, Dale Venvertloh

Sunday, 9:30 a.m. Mass - Lead Usher: Steve Wavering Ushers: Russ Hinkamper, Chris Robnett, Jeremy Stegeman, Bill Vollrath

Sunday, 11:00 a.m. Mass - Lead Usher: Ted Niemann Ushers: Steve Adair, Tim Haubrich, Scott Larson, Jim Scott

August 2025 EMHC Schedule

Saturday, 5:00 p.m. Mass - Kent Anderson (1), Chuck & Meg Fitch (2 & 3), Tom Klene (4), Mary Oakley (5), Tim Oitker (6)

Sunday, 8:00 a.m. Mass - Mary Christensen (1), Maria Eckert (2), Connie & George Schrage (3 & 4), Katie Stegner (5), Lori Terwelp (6)

Sunday, 9:30 a.m. Mass - Lindsay Bond (1), Debbie & Randy Miller (2 & 3), Mike Schwartz (4), Sarah Stegeman (5), Bobbi Vollrath (6)

Sunday, 11:00 a.m. Mass - Mary Howe (1), Lydia & Mindee Miller (2 & 3), Linda Myers (4), Diane Weber (5), Beth Young (6)

Adoration Chapel Open Hours

Did you know that the Adoration Chapel has been a vital part of Quincy located at the St Peters Campus since October 1987. We are trying to get the chapel open again 24/7 but WE NEED YOU.

Are you looking for an uninterrupted quiet hour alone with the Lord once a month or every week? Doesn't everyone need an hour with the Lord? We need you and are asking for your assistance in getting the hours below filled!

Wednesday: 9 a.m. (weeks 1, 3, 5), 2 p.m.

Thursday: midnight (1, 3), 1 a.m. (1, 3) & (2, 4, 5), 6 a.m., 5 p.m. (2, 4), 9 p.m. (1, 3)

Friday: 1 p.m. (3, 5), 11 p.m.

Saturday: midnight-1:30 a.m. (week 1)

Please consider an hour in the Adoration Chapel. Contact Mary at 217-653-3127 or Jean Anne at 217-430-6967.

St. Peter Back to School Help Fair 2025

Socks and Underwear Donations: Return the items with the coded label affixed to the front of the package(s), to St. Peter Church on July 26-27. Thank you for your generosity. Questions - please call Mary Christensen 217-257-1403. Clothing donations: Please help out our ministry this summer with donations. When you are cleaning out closets this summer consider donating gently used school aged (Pre-K through high school) clothing and shoes. Bring the items to lles Elementary located at 3111 North 12th Street. There is a tote at the front of the building for donations. This tote will be available for drop off items from June 1 - August 1. Questions about donations - please call Mary at 217-257-1403.

QND Boys Soccer Camp

The QND Boys Soccer Team will be hosting their annual summer camp for incoming Kindergarten - 6th grade boys July 28 - 31. Come learn soccer skills and have some fun with your friends. Please go to the website below to https:// complete the google form to register. www.quincynotredame.org/qnd-summer-camps-events/

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Next Meeting

6:30 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.

Meet in the Martha Jane Room

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



Saints Alive! **TBD** 3:00-4:30 p.m.

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 the fun! Please check Facebook for updates.



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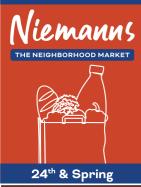
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