



# Weekly Update



December 5<sup>th</sup> - December 10<sup>th</sup>

*Mission Statement:* St. Peter School provides a quality education built on Catholic values and teachings.

## SUNDAY, December 4<sup>th</sup>:

- ▲ Second Sunday in Advent
- ▲ SAINTS ALIVE Youth Group 6:00-7:30 pm meeting in the gym
- ▲ FOUND Youth Group Christmas Caroling 6:30-8:00 pm (meet/pick-up Good Samaritan Home)

## MONDAY, December 5<sup>th</sup>:

- ▲ Reconciliation for grades 3-5; beginning at 9:00 am in Church
- ▲ Jubilation Choir Rehearsal 3:00-3:45 Parish Music Room
- ▲ IESA 7<sup>th</sup>/8<sup>th</sup> gr. Crusaders Volleyball tryouts 3:00-5:00 pm in the gym; parent meeting will follow
- ▲ Technology Board Meeting 4:00 pm LLCR in Parish Office
- ▲ School Advisory Board Meeting 6:30 pm School Conference Room
- ▲ Chess Club Meeting 6:30-8:00 pm in the Maria Goretti Rm

## TUESDAY, December 6<sup>th</sup>:

- ▲ Reconciliation for grades 6-8; beginning at 9:00 am in Church
- ▲ Principals' Meeting 11:30 am
- ▲ PMO Band Rehearsals - QND; 6<sup>th</sup> gr. 4:30-5:30 pm, Gr 6-8 Jazz Band 5:30-6:00, Gr 7/8 Concert Band 6:00-7:30 pm
- ▲ IESA 7<sup>th</sup>/8<sup>th</sup> gr boys QCS Crusaders basketball HOME games vs Macomb 6:00 pm

## WEDNESDAY, December 7<sup>th</sup>:

- ▲ Children's School Mass - held at 8:30 am - 7<sup>th</sup> grade in charge of preparation
- ▲ Students will bring up their stewardship reflections during the Offertory
- ▲ PMO Band Rehearsals: 5<sup>th</sup> gr 1:15-1:45 pm; 6<sup>th</sup> gr 1:45-2:15 pm
- ▲ Early Dismissal at 2:17 for students PK-8<sup>th</sup>. (This will occur throughout the school year.)
- ▲ Kindergarten Christmas Party at QND 6:30-7:30 pm
- ▲ Kindergarten Classes - Adams Co. Safe Kids Carbon Monoxide detector forms due to classrooms
- ▲ Holy Day - Immaculate Conception Vigil Mass 6:30 pm

## THURSDAY, December 8<sup>th</sup>:

- ▲ Children's Immaculate Conception Mass - 8:30 am - 6<sup>th</sup> gr in charge of preparation
- ▲ Additional Holy Day Mass for Immaculate Conception - 12:10 pm
- ▲ Kindergarten Classes making Gingerbread Houses 12:30 pm in classrooms
- ▲ GSA Meeting 10:00 am - School Conference Room
- ▲ Handbell Choir 3:00-4:15 meet in School Music Room

## FRIDAY, December 9<sup>th</sup>:

- ▲ Participation forms for Christmas family Mass due to school office today

## SATURDAY, December 10<sup>th</sup>:

- ▲ IESA 7<sup>th</sup>/8<sup>th</sup> gr boys Crusaders Basketball HOME game vs Spfd Blessed Sacrament 1:00 pm

## SUNDAY, December 11<sup>th</sup>:

- ▲ Third Sunday in Advent

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## **ADVENT PRAYER SERVICE**

One of our traditions at St. Peter School is to celebrate the coming of the Advent Season. We begin this special time each year with a prayer service. Each classroom created a chain of blessings that we linked together to brighten our Christmas tree in the gym lobby. Each link on this chain represents a blessing that our students and staff have been given in their lives. It is our hope that during this special season we all take time to thank God for these special blessings, especially our greatest gift of all, our Lord Jesus Christ.

Thank you to our students that led this special prayer service: Matthew Boudreau, Ella Bower, Aubrielle Bradfield, Savannah Escamilla, Ben Hughes, Kate Hughes, Ethan Kite, Hana Knuffman, Calvin Lavery, Anna McClure, Kathleen McClure, Abigail Miller, Malena Miller, Jaydon Nguyen, Bella Ohnumus, Ellie Peters, Emily Strieker, Lizzie Strieker, Sullivan Walker, Marina Webb, T.J. Weis, and Logan Woodyard. We also thank Mrs. Hufendick and Mrs. Reeder for sharing their special musical gifts and leading us in song during our service. In addition, we thank our St. Peter Handbell Choir for the beautiful music they played for us: Marah Becks, Alison Fuqua, Susan Geiser, Alexis Kamp, Lily Koettters, Claire McCutchen, Nifemi Odumosu, Joshua VanderBol, Georgia Wilson, and Louis Wilson.

It is with great joy and deep gratitude that we look forward to the very special celebration of Jesus' birth and we ask that He come and rest in our hearts, not only during this Advent Season, but always.

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## **CONGRATULATIONS**

Congratulations to our QCS Girls Crusaders Basketball Team! They competed this week in IESA State Basketball Regionals. The girls finished their season with a record of 10-8. Congratulations girls! We are very proud of you!

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## **QND POM CAMP**

Flyers for registration to QND Pom Camp went home with girls the week of Thanksgiving. This camp is for girls in PK3 through 8<sup>th</sup> grade. The camp is Saturday, Dec 10<sup>th</sup> from 5:00 pm to halftime of the Varsity Boys Basketball game. Girls attending this camp will perform with the QND Pommers at halftime of the game. Registration forms are due to the school office by Monday, December 5<sup>th</sup>. If you need any other information please email Coach Jennifer Terwelp at [qndpomcoaches@gmail.com](mailto:qndpomcoaches@gmail.com). Come join in the fun!!

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## **FAMILY CHRISTMAS MASS**

Registration forms were sent home the week of Thanksgiving for participants in the Family Mass on Christmas Eve. If your child would like to participate in the celebration of Christmas at this Mass, registration forms need to be returned to the school office by December 9<sup>th</sup>. The list of all children participating in the Family Mass and the role they have been assigned will be sent home the week of December 12<sup>th</sup>. St. Peter Jubilation and Handbell Choirs will be performing at this Mass. All participants are asked to please attend practice on Tuesday, Dec. 20<sup>th</sup> from 7:00-8:00 pm. What a wonderful opportunity to watch your children celebrate the true meaning of Christmas!

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## **CHRISTMAS IS GETTING CLOSER**

Don't forget, you can purchase GENE GRAWE gift cards as gifts or use them to buy Christmas gifts. The Gene Grawe Fund also has Gift Certificates available. These are great Christmas Gifts—they can pick out cards to their favorite stores! It's a win-win for everyone! Gene Grawe gift cards are always for everyday use. They are available in the Gene Grawe office located in our St. Peter Church Narthex.

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## **STEWARDSHIP WEEK AT St. PETER SCHOOL**

Last week, Nov. 28th-Dec. 2, marked our Stewardship Week at St. Peter School. During the week the students learned more about the four pillars of stewardship—hospitality, prayer, formation, and service. Surprisingly, they found and recognized stewardship in their lives with what they currently do and discovered what they can practice that will allow them to continue to grow in their Catholic faith.

At our Mass during Stewardship week, Joshua Dyer, one of our 7<sup>th</sup> grade students spoke to our students of what stewardship meant to him and the different ways he practiced this way of life with his family. Our students were also asked to reflect on the pillars of stewardship and either write or draw about

how they can live a life of stewardship. At this coming Wednesday's Children's Mass, (Dec 7<sup>th</sup>) students will bring up their "reflections" during the offertory.

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### **QND/PMO CHRISTMAS CONCERT - DECEMBER 12<sup>th</sup>**

The Quincy Notre Dame and Parochial Music Organization choirs will present a Christmas Concert, "Christmas With Friends VIII" on Monday, December 12 at 7:00 pm in St. Peter Church. Join us for an evening of contemporary and traditional Christmas songs from around the world, including Handel's "Hallelujah Chorus". The choirs are directed by Monica Scholz, and accompanied by Robert March. There will be an opportunity for concert-goers to make a free-will donation to our programs at the door.

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### **DAYCARE STAFF OPENING**

Our St. Peter Daycare has a staff opening with their after school care program. The hours would be 2:45- 5:45 pm, 2-3 days per week.

If you know of anyone that might be interested in this position please have them contact Mrs. Venvertloh, 223-1120 or [c.venvertloh@cospq.org](mailto:c.venvertloh@cospq.org)

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### **JACKETS AND COATS REMINDER**

With the weather becoming cooler, we ask that you please put your child's name in his or her jackets/coats. We are not used to putting them back on after lunch periods or, on warmer days, students take them off outside at recess and then forget them. Most will find their way to our lost and found but we have no way of knowing who they belong to without a name somewhere inside the jacket/coat. Thank you so much for helping us out with this!

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### **LOST AND FOUND - PLEASE CLAIM!!**

Our Lost and Found continues to grow every day!! These are the items we currently have. If any of these items sound like something you are missing, please have your child claim it. When we leave for Christmas break, all unclaimed clothes will be laundered and given to Catholic Charities. We will dispose of the other items.

**Lost and Found items- sweaters or jackets:** black Under Armour jacket size M; black Tek Gear hoodie w/blue lining inside hood size 8; white Old Navy girl's sweater size 10/12; navy blue IZOD sweater size 6/6X; 2-St. Peter School navy blue sweatshirts-size YL/size yS; blue Old Navy sweatshirt size Y 6/7; green Blessing Hospital Pink! Pass it on Hoodie size YS; red Jumping Beans hooded zip-up sweatshirt size 7X; teal colored Columbia fleece jacket size 6/6X; black Old Navy fleece jacket size M(8); black New Balance fleece jacket size M; navy blue Nike jacket size YL; red/maroon knit cap;

We also have a bronze color Corkcicle drink bottle, a teal color beaded child's bracelet with a heart; several soccer balls, basketballs, and footballs that are not school issued equipment.

### **MARK YOUR CALENDAR**

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| Dec 12         | QND/PMO Christmas Choir Concert 7:00-8:30 pm - St. Peter Church of St. Peter                                                                                                              |
| Dec 13         | Papa John's Night                                                                                                                                                                         |
| Dec 14         | Children's Mass 8:30 am prepared by 5 <sup>th</sup> grade<br>Reconciliation for PSR students 6:30 pm in Church                                                                            |
| Dec 15         | First Reconciliation - 2 <sup>nd</sup> grade 6:30 pm in Church<br>IESA 7 <sup>th</sup> /8 <sup>th</sup> gr boys QCS Crusaders Basketball HOME game vs Turner Jr High 5:30 pm              |
| Dec 18         | 4 <sup>th</sup> Sunday in Advent                                                                                                                                                          |
| Dec 19         | Grades K-2 Polar Express Day! May wear pajamas to school<br>Chess Club Meeting 6:30-8:00 pm in Maria Goretti Room                                                                         |
| Dec 20         | Quarter 2 ends; Report cards will be sent home January 6 <sup>th</sup><br>Red/Green day; out of dress code if you wear red/green or Christmas attire<br>Classroom Christmas parties today |
| Dec 21 - Jan 2 | No School - Christmas vacation                                                                                                                                                            |
| Dec 24-25      | Christmas Mass times: Christmas Eve - 4:00 pm; 6:00 pm (Family Mass); 8:00 pm<br>Christmas Day - 8:00 am; 9:30 am; 11:00 am                                                               |
| Jan 3          | School resumes                                                                                                                                                                            |

