



Weekly Update



January 9th - January 13th

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

SUNDAY, January 8th:

- ✦ SAINTS ALIVE Youth Group Meeting 6:00-7:30 pm in the gym
- ✦ FOUND Youth Group - Go Make a Difference (Fixer Upper Addition) 6:30-8:00 pm Martha Jane Rm

MONDAY, January 9th:

- ✦ Technology Board Meeting 4:00 pm - LLCR in Parish Office
- ✦ School Advisory Board Meeting 6:30 pm - School Conference Room
- ✦ Scholastic Bowl Team Parent/Student Informational Meeting (gr 6,7,8) 6:00 pm Martha Jane Rm

TUESDAY, January 10th:

- ✦ Papa John's Night
- ✦ PMO Band Rehearsals - QND; 6th gr. 4:30-5:30 pm, Gr 6-8 Jazz Band 5:30-6:00 pm, Gr 7/8 Concert Band 6:00-7:30 pm
- ✦ IESA 7th/8th grade girls Crusaders Volleyball HOME games vs Carthage 6:00 pm

WEDNESDAY, January 11th:

- ✦ Children's School Mass - held at 8:30 am - 3rd grade in charge of preparation
- ✦ Lock Down Drill for classrooms - 10:15 am w/QPD Sargent Brian Dusch
- ✦ PMO Band Rehearsals: 5th gr 1:15-1:45 pm; 6th gr 1:45-2:15 pm
- ✦ Early Dismissal at 2:17 for students PK-8th. (This will occur throughout the school year.)

THURSDAY, January 12th:

- ✦ GSA Meeting 10:00 am - School Conference Room
- ✦ Handbell Choir Rehearsal 3:00-4:15 meet in School Music Room
- ✦ IESA 7th/8th gr boys Crusaders Basketball AWAY game vs Pittsfield 6:00 pm

FRIDAY, January 13th:

- ✦ Spirit Day!! Grade 4 Recipient Choice: St. Peter Church Social Concerns Group
- ✦ Habits Assembly 8:15 am; Gr 4 presenting: Habit #4 Follow the Golden Rule (Think Win-Win)
- ✦ Scholastic Bowl Team practice - 3:00-4:30 pm in the Martha Jane Room
- ✦ St. Peter Father/Daughter Winter Ball 6:30-8:30 pm - St. Peter School Ballroom (gym)
- ✦ IESA 7th/8th gr boys Crusaders Basketball AWAY games-Peoria Catholic Tournament

SATURDAY, January 14th:

- ✦ Elks Hoop Shoot Contest - St. Peter School gym 10:00 am - 3:30 pm
- ✦ IESA 7th/8th gr boys Crusaders Basketball AWAY games-Peoria Catholic Tournament

THANK YOU!!!

We, the students, teachers, and staff would like to extend a huge thank you to our room parents for planning special activities on our last days before Christmas break. Thank you for planning our classroom parties and coming in to help with them, thank you for the wonderful Christmas luncheon our 8th grade students received, and thank you so very much for coming in and helping in the classrooms while our staff was treated to a Christmas brunch! We so appreciate your time, effort and commitment in making these days ones of celebrations. Again, thank you to everyone that came in and helped make these days fun for our students and our staff. Words truly cannot express how much we appreciate you!!

SCHOLASTIC BOWL TEAM 2017

We invite all 6th, 7th, and 8th grade students to join our St. Peter School Scholastic Bowl Team! The Scholastic Bowl Team will kick off the 2017 season with an informational meeting for PARENTS and STUDENTS on Monday, January 9, 2017 at 6:00 p.m. in the Martha Jane Room. Scholastic Bowl is open to all 6th, 7th and 8th grade students at St. Peter School. We will be discussing Scholastic Bowl Team expectations, cost, practice/match schedule and joining deadlines. Even if your child participated in the prior year, we would like as many parents as possible to attend the meeting Monday as there have been some changes in the current year to the Scholastic Bowl Team.

Our first team practice will be Friday, January 13th from 3:00 - 4:30 p.m. in the Martha Jane Room. If you have any questions, please contact Jodi McDonald, 217-228-9897 (home) or 217-257-4433 (cell) or Laura Dighe, 706-340-4009 (cell).

FATHER/DAUGHTER DANCE

Our 8th Annual Father/Daughter Dance will be held on Friday, January 13th, from 6:30-8:30 pm. This year's theme is Winter Wonderland Ball and will take place in our St. Peter School Ballroom (formerly known as the gym). Thank you to families that have sent in reservations. This evening marks a wonderful opportunity for fathers and daughters to make lasting memories. Please come enjoy a fun night of desserts, music and dancing! Reservations are \$16.00 per father/daughter couple (\$8.00 for individuals). This includes one free picture. Registration forms are available on Renweb by going to the document archives or by requesting a form from Mrs. Hutson in the school office. Tickets may also be purchased at the door. It's sure to be a memorable evening for Dad and Daughter!

JANUARY SPIRIT DAY - ST. PETER CHURCH SOCIAL CONCERNS COMMITTEE

Friday, January 13th is our January Spirit Day and Habits Assembly. Our fourth grade has chosen the St. Peter Church Social Concerns Committee as their Spirit Day recipient. The Social Concerns Committee looks at many of the social/financial issues that affect people in the area and offer them help. They provide support and financial assistance for needy persons in our area. This group receives requests for food, money for gas, and they help with rent payments to just name a few. They also hold a seat on our area's Unmet Needs Committee which provides many of the same services only on a larger scale. The Unmet Needs Committee is made up of many local church groups and other local organizations.

Additionally, the Social Concerns Committee sponsors the monthly food collections to benefit the Ladies of Charities food pantry. They also support the St. Peter Church Giving Wreath and Quincy area Back to School Programs.

The Social Concerns Committee raise money needed to back these many endeavors through the 5th Sunday Collections - collections after Masses on the 5th Sunday of the month. They also hold the annual December cookie sale and support the Fair Trade sales.

As you can see, this group is very worthy of our support. Please join us in helping them with a simple Spirit Day donation.

We will begin our day on Friday, January 13th with the fourth grade leading our Habits Assembly presenting Habit #4 - Follow the Golden Rule (Think Win Win). The basic premise for the Golden Rule and Think Win Win is to treat others as you would like them to treat you, to show respect for one another and to uphold one another's dignity. This is something we strive for with each Spirit Day - showing respect for others and helping out those in our community that are less fortunate than ourselves or going through hardships. We all strive to feel and share God's love. When we help others feel less pain and hardship, God's love is all around us and sharing God's love is always a win win!!



BIRTHDAY BOOK CLUB

Thank you to the following students for donating a book to the library through the Birthday Book Club: Maddie Baker, Isaac Bealor, Isabelle Boudreau, Aubrielle Bradfield, Kate Derian, Avery Dietz, Rohan Dighe, Sean Dighe, Beau Eftink, Blair Eftink, Tyler Goesten Kors, Kate Gramke, Sophie Gramke, Evelyn Hauk, Braxton Kenning, Jude Larson, Nate Larson, Calvin Lavery, Charlie Lavery, Michael Ley, Ryland Liesen, Madison Mason, Landon Meyer, Malena Miller, Timi Odumosu, Jacob Pabisiak, Ian Paxton, Carter Rhodes,

Hunter Rischar, Macy Schlipman, Michael Sedovic, Ella Sprague, Quinn Sprague, Adam Stuckman, Mary Emma Venvertloh, Hayden Ware and Sophia Weis.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED - SUNDAY SCHOOL CHILDCARE PROGRAM

St. Peter Church Sunday School and Childcare program is looking for volunteers! Every Sunday morning during the 9:30 Mass, our parish offers childcare for our youngest parish members ages 1 to 5 years old. If you are interested in volunteering for this ministry, please contact Erica Douglas at cedougs@gmail.com or 217-779-1123. These hours will count as service hours!

VOLUNTEERS ALSO NEEDED - SCHOOL LUNCH PROGRAM

We are also in need of parents to help supervise and help with our students during the 1st and 2nd lunch periods. First lunch period is with students in Kindergarten through 2nd grade and second period is with grades 3rd through 5th. These lunch periods run from 11:05 am - 12:05 pm. There is always a teacher on duty but we need a little extra help. With the 1st period lunch, help is needed with opening milk containers, fruit cups, yogurt tubes, chip bags, even containers sent from home in cold lunches. With the cold weather, help with hanging up coats is also needed. In between the 2 lunch periods, we really appreciate help with cleaning off the tables so the 2nd period students will have clean tables. There is only 10 minutes between the 2 lunch shifts so while members of our kitchen staff come out to help with cleaning off the tables, not all of the ladies can, because of having to get the food ready to serve for the incoming shift. After the 2nd period lunch is done, once again the tables must be wiped clean for our last lunch period. With the 2nd period lunch, the students are older so it is just a matter of helping watch the students. Please consider volunteering for this hour. If we get enough volunteers, you may only have to help once every 6 weeks or so. That is our goal! The hour goes by fast and you get to see your children! If you can't commit to a full hour, we will accept help on either lunch period. Please contact April O'Brien at aprilobrien2002@gmail.com to sign up. These hours will also count as service hours!!

MUSIC TRIVIA FANS

Quincy Notre Dame Music Trivia will take place on Saturday, January 21st, in the St. Peter School gymnasium. The doors will open at 6:30 pm and the evening will begin at 7:00 pm. Bring your snacks, drinks, and music trivia knowledge for a night of fun. Start gathering your teams and spread the word. The Music Trivia registration form is attached to this update.

Thanks and I can't wait to see everyone again on January 21st! ~~Keith Wiemelt, QND Band Director

CATHOLIC SCHOOLS WEEK - BINGO

One of our popular events that we always have during Catholic Schools Week is an afternoon of Bingo. This is a game the students truly enjoy! We are once again asking for any small items to use for Bingo prizes. Parent's response to this request has always been amazing! We thank you so much. Please send items to the school office whenever it is convenient for you.

6th ANNUAL ST. PETER PANCAKE AND SAUSAGE BREAKFAST

Please make plans to help us kick off Catholic Schools Week on Sunday, January 29th by joining us at our 6th annual St. Peter Pancake and Sausage Breakfast. We will once again have Chris Cakes Flying Pancakes serving (or throwing) pancakes to your families! Come join us in the St. Peter School Gym from 8:30 am-12:30 pm. The cost is \$5.00 per plate - all you can eat!

If you would like to volunteer to help with this event please go to the following link and sign up: <https://m.signupgenius.com/#/showSignUp/4090945AFA728A64-pancake1> Count these hours for service hours!

ST. PETER SCHOOL ADVISORY BOARD

Our St. Peter School Advisory Board has welcomed new members. Mrs. Jennifer Tyler and Mrs. Karen Sedovic have joined the St. Peter School Advisory Board. The following also serve on the board: Mrs. Brooke Stokes (president), Mr. Tim Weis (vice-president), Mr. Luke Bealor (secretary), Mrs. Sonya Krause, Mr. Mandor Dighe, Mrs. Maria Mast, and Mrs. Angie Geiselman. Mr. George Meyer serves as an adhoc

member. We would like to thank those members who have served and are going off of the board—Mr. Dan Bradfield, and Mrs. Erin Ruebbelke. The School Advisory Board meets monthly to discuss various concerns for the school. The purpose of the board is to be of service in an advisory capacity to the pastor of the Church of St. Peter and the principal of St. Peter School in matters pertaining to the general administration and supervision of all Catholic educational programs of the school. We look forward to an exciting year with our new members.

WEATHER-RELATED EARLY DISMISSAL & SCHOOL CANCELLATION

During the winter months, with the possibility of inclement weather or other emergency conditions occurring, it may be necessary to dismiss students earlier in the day than usual or to cancel school for the day. If this occurs, a RenWeb message is sent to all families as well as local radio and TV stations broadcast the information. On days when such conditions exist, please listen to the local stations for early dismissal times and announcements of school closing. Listen for "*Quincy Public and Catholic Schools...*"

QUINCY PUBLIC SCHOOLS

You may have been wondering how the possible strike with the Quincy Public Schools will affect St. Peter School. If this should happen to occur it will directly affect the transportation that the public schools provide to us with the morning and afternoon bussing of our students. If there is a strike there will be no bus service. **We will still be in session.** Parents will now be responsible for getting their children to and from school. If this should occur please be prepared by having an alternate plan for your children to get to and from school should you rely on the bus service provided through the Quincy Public Schools.

Please keep our public school friends in your prayers as negotiations and decisions are being made.

RECYCLING CAPS AND LIDS UPDATE

Due to the amazing response to the caps and lids recycling service project, we are continuing onward. In just over 3 months we have collected more than 1200 lbs. of recyclable materials. Our original goal was to collect enough for 1 bench. This happened so quickly we decided to go for 2 benches. Even since then, the caps kept pouring in. Now, due to the generosity of companies like ADM and Adams Electric, we have the funds to continue collecting for some other needed items. With this addition our new goal is 1800 pounds. We are well on our way to adding 2 trash receptacles to the property. As soon as we reach this goal, Ava and I will be headed east to Indiana to turn in our caps and bring home our items. Many thanks to you for your commitment to this wonderful project. Keep collecting and have a Very Merry Christmas!

~Amanda and Ava Monteyne

MARK YOUR CALENDAR

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| Jan 16 | No School - Martin Luther King, Jr Day |
| Jan 17 | Kelsey Celek w/QCT here w/ Kdg, 4 th , 5 th
IESA 7 th /8 th gr boys Crusaders Basketball HOME games vs Liberty 6:00 pm |
| Jan 18 | Children's Mass - prepared by 2 nd grade
IESA 7 th /8 th gr girls Crusaders Volleyball AWAY games vs Payson 6:00 pm |
| Jan 19 | Gr 6 field trip to QND - "We're Wild About QND"
Kelsey Celek w/QCT here w/gr 6 th , 7 th , 8 th |
| Jan 20-21 | IESA 7 th /8 th gr boys Crusaders Basketball AWAY games - Peoria Catholic Tournament |
| Jan 21 | QND Music Trivia - 7:00 pm St. Peter Gym
IESA 7 th /8 th gr girls Crusaders Volleyball AWAY games - Payson Tournament
IESA 7 th /8 th gr girls Crusaders Volleyball AWAY games - Normal Metcalf Tournament
(both Volleyball tournaments scheduled for Jan 21) |
| Jan 23 | IESA 7 th gr boys Crusaders Basketball Regional Tournament |
| Jan 25 | Children's Mass - prepared by 1 st grade |
| Jan 26 | Bullying Prevention speaker Beau Viehmann here w/Kindergarten/1 st grades
IESA 7 th /8 th gr girls Crusaders Volleyball HOME games vs West Prairie 6:00 pm |
| Jan 28-Feb 3 | Catholic Schools Week - activities are being planned |
| Jan 30 | IESA 8 th gr boys Crusaders Basketball Regional Tournament |

