



Weekly Update



December 18th - January 5th

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

Follow the Golden Rule

SATURDAY, December 16th:

- 🎄 IESA 7th/8th gr Boys Crusaders Basketball AWAY games vs Carrollton 10:00 am

SUNDAY, December 17th:

- 🎄 Third Sunday in Advent

MONDAY, December 18th:

- 🎄 Grades K-2 celebrating with the Polar Express this morning
- 🎄 Special visitor in PK 4 Classes
- 🎄 Grade 6 DARE Graduation 1:15 pm in the gym
- 🎄 Jubilation Choir 3:00-4:00 pm - Christmas Party - Parish Music Rm; bring an ornament (\$5 or less) to exchange
- 🎄 School Advisory Board Meeting 6:30 pm in the School Conference Room

TUESDAY, December 19th:

- 🎄 Special visitor in PK 3 classes
- 🎄 Classroom Christmas Parties today; Grades K-4 Christmas Parties throughout the day 8:15-2:30 pm in gym; Grades 5-8 parties in classrooms or have special activities
- 🎄 Out of Dress Code Day - Wear Red, Green, or Christmas Attire with out of dress code bottoms to help celebrate the season!
- 🎄 End of Second Quarter; Report Cards will be sent home January 5th

WEDNESDAY, December 20th - TUESDAY, January 2nd:

No School-Christmas Vacation!!

Christmas Mass Schedule:

Dec. 24th: 4:00 pm, 6:00 pm, 8:00 pm
 Dec. 25th: 8:00 am, 10:00 am

Solemnity of Mary (Holy Day) Masses:

Dec. 31st: 5:00 pm
 Jan. 1st: 8:00 am, 10:00 am

CHRISTMAS PARTIES - DECEMBER 19th

As this fun day approaches we want to share with parents the schedule for classroom Christmas parties. Preschool classes will have their parties within their classrooms. Kindergarten through 4th grade will have a designated time for activities in the gym.

The schedule for these are:

8:15-9:00 1 st grade	9:15-10:00 2 nd grade	10:15-11:00 3 rd grade
12:00-12:45 Kindergarten	1:00-1:45 4 th grade	

5th grade is having their party in their classrooms and having pizza for lunch; 6th grade classes are going to AMC to enjoy a movie; 7th and 8th grade are going to Scotties Fun Spot in the morning and then stopping for lunch on their way back to school.

This will also be an out of dress code day! Wear your red, green, or Christmas attire with out of dress code bottoms to help celebrate the season. Please wear your festive Christmas attire and join the fun of this special day!

CHRISTMAS SERVICE PROJECTS

With this season of giving, many of our classrooms are sharing their concern and generosity with others in our community. Several classrooms are creating and sending Christmas cards to our parishioners that are homebound or in nursing homes.

Kindergarten through second grade are collecting baby items for their "Baby Shower for Jesus". All of the baby items brought in will be given to Care Net. Care Net is a not for profit ministry that is supported solely by individuals and area churches. This agency looks forward every year to the donations our St. Peter children give as we are their biggest contributor!

2nd Grade students are also participating in Quincy Medical Group/Unity Point's "Stockings for Seniors" program. This year almost 300 stockings are being delivered to nursing homes. Our second graders created cards and helped help deliver stockings to residents at Good Samaritan Home and Sunset Home.

3rd Grade students are writing to our Parish shut-ins. They are also performing Random Acts of Kindness through their Advent Calendar.

4th Grade students are also sending Christmas Cards to our Parish homebound and nursing home residents. They have also purchased a toy and nursery rug for the Parish Advent Giving Wreath.

5th grade students will send letters to our Parish nursing home and homebound residents. Each 5th grade classroom purchased a gift for a 10-11 year old child from the Advent Giving Wreath. In their Geography classes they are comparing our local Advent and Christmas traditions to what is traditionally done in Mexico. They also visited the Quincy Museum to see our community's history during Christmas.

6th grade students collected and donated supplies needed for Horizons Soup Kitchen and Horizon families in need of help.

7th and 8th grade are collecting small toys and personal items to give to our neighboring students/residents at Chaddock.

Hopefully, through your children's efforts, generosity, and prayers others in the community will feel the outpouring of God's love this Christmas season.

ST. PETER GIRL SCOUTS

Have you noticed scarves on trees in Madison Park? Our St. Peter Girl Scout troops made the scarves and then tied them to trees in the Park for anyone that needs a little help keeping warm this winter season. How very generous and giving our girls are! Please pray for the homeless in our area that they find the help they need to make a new start. We pray that they find confidence and strength to rebuild their lives. Thank you to our Girl Scouts for extending God's healing hands to those in need in our community.

LADIES OF CHARITY

The Ladies of Charity have reached out to us during this Christmas Season. They are always in need of the following items and especially leading up to Christmas: Coats, Jeans, and Sweat Pants or Athletic Pants. These items should be clean and in good condition. We will have a box in the entryway of school for families to bring these items in for them. ***Please limit your donations brought to school to just these items-coats, jeans and athletic/sweat pants.*** Families are always welcome to bring donations to the Ladies of Charity located at 510 South 4th Street. Thank you so much for your generosity in helping families that may be struggling and need some extra help.

A VERY SPECIAL THANK YOU

We wish to extend a very special thank you to all parents that helped cover classrooms last Monday, Dec 4th so that our teachers and staff could attend a Christmas Brunch together. It is very rare that we all have the opportunity to just enjoy each other's company. We thank you so much for helping us with this event. Your generosity is appreciated very much!

GENE GRAWE GIFT CARDS

Don't forget to take advantage of Gene Grawe gift cards as you buy your Christmas gifts. You can use them to purchase Christmas gifts or give the gift of cards themselves as they make great Christmas gifts. They also have Gift Certificates to the Gene Grawe Fund. These are also great Christmas gifts - they can pick out cards to their favorite stores! Gene Grawe gift cards are always for everyday use. They are available in the Gene Grawe Fund Office located in the Narthex.

IMMEDIATE OPENING IN OUR CAFETERIA

We are looking to fill a position in our cafeteria. This position would have the hours of 11:00 am - 1:30 pm. Duties would include serving lunch to our students and staff as well as clean up at the end of lunch shifts. Anyone interested should send a resume to Mrs. Cindy Venvertloh at 2500 Maine, Quincy or email to c.venvertloh@cospq.org.

LOST AND FOUND

Any items left on December 19th will be taken to Catholic Charities. We again ask parents to check through the lost and found before your child leaves for Christmas vacation.



*Merry Christmas!
The teachers and staff of St. Peter School
wish to extend to everyone
a very Blessed and Merry Christmas!
May you and your family
keep Jesus in your hearts
throughout this joyful season!*



WEDNESDAY, January 3rd:

- * **School resumes with full bus service and daycare**
- * **Moms Are Praying** - Martha Jane Room 8:10 am
- * **8:30 am Children's Mass** - **Grade 6 assisting**
- * **No PMO Band rehearsals** at school today; will resume next Wednesday
- * **No PMO Choirs** rehearsals today; will resume next Wednesday
- * **IESA 7th/8th gr girls Crusaders Volleyball HOME** games vs Macomb 6:00 pm St. Peter gym

THURSDAY, January 4th:

- * **No Handbell Choir Rehearsal** today; will resume next Thursday
- * **IESA 7th/8th gr boys Crusaders Basketball HOME** games vs Carthage 6:00 pm St. Peter gym

FRIDAY, January 5th:

- * **Second Quarter Report Cards** sent home today
- * **Saints Alive Youth Group Meeting** 6:00-7:30 pm in the gym

SUNDAY, January 7th:

- * **FOUND Youth Group Dodge Ball** 6:30-8:00 pm in the gym

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...*"

ST. PETER SCHOOL LUNCH ACCOUNTS ON RENWEB

Just a reminder, with our family lunch accounts on Renweb, a negative balance is what your family has in its lunch account. Example: -\$42.00 means you have \$42.00 in your family's account. If your account reads \$10.00, this is what your family currently owes in lunch charges. You should receive emails informing you when your account owes lunch money.

UPCOMING DATES:

- Jan 8 Chess Club Meeting 6:00-7:30 pm Maria Goretti Rm
- Jan 9 Kelsey Celek w/QCT here with Kindergarten classes, Gr 3 classes, and Rooms 4E, 6E
IESA 7th/8th gr boys Crusaders Basketball HOME games vs Burlington ND 5:30 pm St. Peter gym
IESA 7th/8th gr girls Crusaders Volleyball AWAY games vs Carthage 6:00 pm
- Jan 10 8:30 am Children's Mass - Gr 5 assisting
Scholastic Bowl practice 2:30-4:00 pm in Martha Jane Room
- Jan 11 GSA Meeting 10:00 in School Conference Room
IESA 7th/8th gr boys Crusaders Basketball HOME games vs Pittsfield 6:00 pm St. Peter Gym
- Jan 12 Spirit Day!! All contributions go towards Water Filtration Systems in Haiti
Covey/Catholic Habits Assembly 8:10 am - gym; Gr 4 presenting;
Scholastic Bowl (Varsity team only) practice 3:00-4:00 pm School Library

