



Weekly Update



January 21st - January 25th

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

SATURDAY, January 19th:

- ❄️ QND Music Trivia 7:00 pm St. Peter Gym
- ❄️ IESA 8th gr Boys Crusaders Basketball AWAY games Peoria 8th gr Tourney

SUNDAY, January 20th:

- ❄️ Jubilation Choir sings at 9:30 am Mass

MONDAY, January 21st:

- ❄️ No School - Martin Luther King Jr Birthday

TUESDAY, January 22nd:

- ❄️ PMO Band Rehearsals at QND: 3:30-4:30 Beginners Band; 4:30-5:30 pm Concert Band; 5:30-6:00 pm Jazz Band; 6:00-7:00 pm Cadet Band
- ❄️ Internet Safety Parent Presentation 6:00-7:30 pm in the gym

WEDNESDAY, January 23rd:

- ❄️ Children's School Mass 8:30 am - 4th grade in charge of preparation
- ❄️ PMO Band Rehearsals: 5th gr 1:15-1:45 pm; 6th gr 1:45-2:15 pm Music Room
- ❄️ Internet Safety Student Presentations gr 4-8 throughout the day
- ❄️ After School Quincy Art Center Classes - registered students only in Grades 4-8 2:30-3:30 pm
- ❄️ PMO Choir Rehearsals at QND: 7th/8th Concert Choir 3:00-4:00 pm; 4th-6th Cadet Choir 4:10-5:00 pm
- ❄️ Teachers Meetings 2:30-4:00 pm
- ❄️ Early Dismissal at 2:25 pm for students in gr PK-8th. (This will occur throughout the school year.)

THURSDAY, January 24th:

- ❄️ Moms Are Praying 8:10-9:00 am Martha Jane Room
- ❄️ Yearbook Group Photos this morning (beginning around 9:00 am)
- ❄️ Handbell Choir Rehearsal 3:00-4:15 pm
- ❄️ IESA 7th/8th gr Girls Crusaders Volleyball HOME games vs West Prairie-St. Peter gym 6:00 pm

FRIDAY, January 25th:

- ❄️ Second Quarter Report Cards sent home today
- ❄️ Father/Daughter Winter Wonderland Ball 6:30-8:30 pm in the gym

SATURDAY, January 26th:

- ❄️ Catholic Schools Week begins; Students will help with all Masses this weekend; please sign up for specific roles at Masses; Students should wear their Spirit Day Shirts

SUNDAY, January, 27th:

- ❄️ Catholic Schools Week begins; Students will help with all Masses this weekend
- ❄️ 8th Annual St. Peter Pancake and Sausage Breakfast 8:30 am-12:30 pm in the gym
- ❄️ FOUND Youth Group - Dodgeball 6:30-8:00 pm

PARENT INTERNET SAFETY MEETING - January 22nd

We ask you to please take advantage of this opportunity to learn more about the digital devices that our children are exposed to in today's world. St. Peter School Parents are invited to a special session this Tuesday, January 22nd from 6:00-7:30 pm in our school gym. (This was previously scheduled in the cafeteria.) Today's youth have integrated the use of digital devices into their daily lives and utilize social media apps to communicate with the world around them. Technology integration that encourages social interaction and self-expression presents new opportunities for youth, while at the same time challenging parents and teachers as we work together to keep youth healthy and safe. Parents are asked to please join us, along with the Internet Safety Specialist from the Attorney General's office, as we continue our efforts to protect and educate our children.

Session Dates: **Parents only** - Jan. 22nd 6:00-7:30 pm in our gym. **Please RSVP by today, Jan 18th.** We really need to know the numbers to expect for this meeting. If, however, you decide to come and haven't sent in a RSVP, please call or email Mrs. Hutson at 223-1120 or r.hutson@cospq.org

Student Sessions (gr 3-8) - Jan 23rd (See specific times listed on the permission letter.) Permission letters were attached to the Weekly Update last week and also sent home through the classrooms.

FATHER/DAUGHTER WINTER WONDERLAND BALL - January 25th

We are again having our very popular Father/Daughter Winter Wonderland Ball on January 25th from 6:30-8:30 pm in our St. Peter School Gym. This is always a very popular event for dads and their daughters with fun for everyone! In order for the committee to prepare for the dance, we are asking that families register in advance. If you are unable to preregister, you can still attend the dance and just pay at the door. We hope all Fathers and Daughters are able to attend this memorable evening!

For anyone that would like to volunteer to help make this a memorable night for everyone please go to the following link: [Father-Daughter Winter Wonderland Ball 2019](#)

YEARBOOK PHOTOS - Thursday, January 25th

This coming Thursday, January 25th Interstate Studios will be here to begin taking some group photos for this year's yearbook. We are planning on taking photos for the following groups Girl and Boy Scouts, CYO Fall Volleyball teams, Chess Club, and 8th grade Class Officers. If you are in Scouts and want to wear your Scout shirt, you may certainly do so. We will also take pictures sometime this spring of other groups within the school.

CATHOLIC SCHOOLS WEEK - JAN 27th - Feb 1st

We invite you to please come join us for this special week! We are again asking for any small items for our afternoon of BINGO. These can be from small treats to pencils, notebooks, erasers, small games, etc. We appreciate any and all items that we receive for this event. They love to BINGO!!

Please sign up your child if they would like to participate in Mass on either Saturday, January 26th or Sunday, January 27th. We would like to have students help with the Readings, Petitions, Read a Thank You to our Parishioners, be Servers, Gift Bearers, and Greeters. We ask that all students attending Mass this weekend wear their Spirit Day shirts to show their support for our school and be a door greeter.

Click on the following link to sign up for this great opportunity:

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/8050B4AAEA829A02-sign>

We are again attaching the reservation form for the Pancake and Sausage Breakfast on Sunday, Jan. 27th. **We would like your reservations/payment turned into the School Office by Jan. 25th.** Chris Cakes will again provide us with an awesome breakfast and lots of fun to go with your pancakes! We extend a very special thank you to Mrs. Monteyne for organizing this very fun event!

SCIENCE NIGHT - CATHOLIC SCHOOLS WEEK - WEDNESDAY, JAN. 30th

During Catholic Schools Week (Jan 27-Feb 1), we will have many special events at school during the

week. Our 7th and 8th grade students would like to invite you to a night of inventions, curiosity, and fun! On Wednesday, January 30th from 6:30-7:30 pm, please plan to join us in the gym while our 7th and 8th grade students show off their Science Night projects. These students have thought critically about a question, conducted an experiment, and made a conclusion about the data they collected. Please help support our budding scientists! They love to explain their projects and answer questions...Chances are you will learn a thing or two!

ST. PETER SCHOOL - STUDENT ADVOCATE

Mrs. Whitney Stanford was announced as a new staff member in June of this year. She is an amazing asset to our faculty at St Peter School and has the position of a student advocate. Mrs. Stanford graduated from Bradley University with a degree in Special Education and Elementary Education. She taught special education and worked as an advocate before becoming a member of our staff. She is married to Shane Stanford and they have two children, Josephine who is in our 3 year old program and James who is two years old.

As a student advocate her primary role is to build relationships with all students, especially those who may need additional support in the classroom. Some of her responsibilities as an advocate are:

- Working within the classroom to make sure students are getting support necessary to help them reach their highest potential.
- Meeting with students who may be having a tough day due to difficult choices or life challenges. Offering a student the opportunity to talk to someone when needed.
- Working with students on creating a plan of action that allows them to succeed in the classroom.
- Communicating with parents to create a strong link between school and home.
- Support and utilize the school wide behavior program.

We are truly blessed to have someone with Mrs. Stanford's background to help our students meet challenges and be the best they can be.

CYO SPRING VOLLEYBALL SIGN UP - January 18-February 15

CYO is offering a spring volleyball league to girls in grades 3-8 and new this year, also to boys in grades 5th-8th. Games will be in March and April at the K & L Arena. The girls league will play on Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday evenings and the boys will be on Thursday evenings. The cost is \$55.00 and you may register your child at CYOQUINCY.COM

PROTECTING GOD'S CHILDREN

St. Peter Parish will have a Protecting God's Children session on Thursday, January 31st. This session will be from 6:00-9:00 pm in the Martha Jane Room, located just inside the cafeteria. If you are interested in helping in your child/ren's classroom, driving for field trips, etc. our Parish and the Springfield Diocese require you to attend this training. Please call our Parish Office, 222-3155, to register for this session. *This is a one-time only training.* If you have already participated in a class, you do not have to take it again.

CAFETERIA/LUNCHROOM SUPERVISION - SERVICE HOURS OPPORTUNITY

We are so very grateful to our parents that volunteer in our cafeteria to help with lunch shifts. We want to ask again if parents would consider helping out in our cafeteria. We are still in need for several more volunteers to help during our 1st and 2nd lunch shifts. This would be from 11:00 am-12:00 pm for grades Kindergarten-2nd grade and 3rd -5th grade. We just need extra help with opening milk cartons, packages that are with their lunch, help with condiments-ketchup, salad dressing, etc. Parents are also asked to help supervise the students and then clean off the tables in between the two lunch shifts. We have teachers in the lunchroom to supervise and help the students but we just need another hand or two to help us out. This is a great way to see your child during their school day and these hours will count toward service hours. You may volunteer however often you would like. We appreciate any time that you can give to us. Please contact

our Cafeteria Volunteer Coordinator, Mrs. April O'Brien, at aprilobrien2002@gmail.com with any questions that you may have or to schedule days that you can help. Thank you so much for helping!

JOB OPENING IN MORNING DAYCARE

St. Peter School is hiring for the Morning Daycare program from 6:30 a.m. until 8:00 a.m. Monday-Friday. Interested applicants should contact Mrs. Judy Domme at 217-242-1910. Resumes can be mailed to St. Peter School, 2500 Maine, Quincy, IL 62301 or emailed to c.venvertloh@cospq.org.

MARK YOUR CALENDARS- PRESCHOOL ENROLLMENT

2019-2020 Preschool Enrollment Night will be on February 26th at 5:30 p.m. Parishioners and current school families will receive a letter soon providing additional information. (If for some reason you do not receive a letter please be sure to contact Mrs. Roberta Hutson, school secretary at 223-1120.) Children must be either 3 or 4 years old by Sept. 1, 2019 and be toilet trained to enroll in the program. More detailed information will be included in the Preschool Enrollment Letter.

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 Parent Alert 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...*"

UPCOMING DATES:

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| Jan 28-Feb 1 | Catholic Schools Week - Special activities will take place throughout the week |
| Jan 28 | Living Rosary 8:45 am in Church
Bingo 1:00 pm in the gym
Chess Club Meeting 6:30 pm Maria Goretti Rm |
| Jan 30 | Parent Visitation Day
Science Fair Night 6:30-7:30 pm in the gym |
| Jan 31 | Protecting God's Children - Martha Jane Room 6:00 pm |
| Feb 1 | 8 th grade Volleyball Game - Souper Bowl of Caring |
| Feb 2 | Friend of Catholic Schools Dinner |
| Feb 4-15 | ACRE Testing for grades 5 & 8 |

