



Weekly Update



February 28th - March 5th

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

SUNDAY, February 28th:

- ✿ Confirmation Retreat for 8th grade students 1:00-4:30 pm St. Peter Gym

MONDAY, March 1st:

- ✿ Scholastic Book Fair this week
- ✿ 2021-2022 Enrollment begins today for Grades K-8
- ✿ Jubilation Choir Rehearsal 2:30-3:15 pm Parish Music Room
- ✿ PS3-Grade 8 Distance Learning Students - Learning Materials Pick Up Day 4:00 - 5:00 pm

TUESDAY, March 2nd:

- ✿ Reconciliation this morning for grades 2-5
- ✿ PMO Band Rehearsals at QND: 5th Gr Beginners Band 3:15-4:00 pm; 6th Gr Cadet Band 4:15-5:15 pm; 7th/8th gr Jazz Band 5:30-6:00 pm; 7th/8th gr Concert Band 6:00-7:00 pm

WEDNESDAY, March 3rd:

- ✿ Children's School Mass 8:30 am for Grades K, 2, and 4 w/2nd grade students assisting
- ✿ Reconciliation this morning for grades 6-8
- ✿ PMO Band Rehearsals - Gr 5 12:40-1:15 pm; Gr 6 1:30-2:15 pm - School Music Room

THURSDAY, March 4th:

- ✿ Children's School Mass 8:30 am for Grades 1 and 5 w/5th grade students assisting

FRIDAY, March 5th:

- ✿ Spirit Day!! Students/staff may wear their Spirit Day shirts w/out of dress code bottoms with a 25 cents or more donation - Chaddock Welcome Baskets
- ✿ Alter Server Training for assigned 4th grade students 12:30 PM
- ✿ Scholastic Bowl Team Practice 2:30-4:00 pm Martha Jane Room

****0 CURRENT COVID 19 POSITIVE TESTS IN OUR SCHOOL - WEEK OF 2/22-2/26***

MORNING DROP OFF PROCEDURE

With our students' safety in mind, we just want to remind parents of our morning drop off procedure. We ask that you form two lines - the first car in each lane should pull all the way towards where Mrs. Reichert is standing. This will allow 3 cars in each lane to release their children. When it is time for your child(ren) to exit your car please have them follow these guidelines. Students in the south lane (closest to the school) please exit your car and walk on the sidewalk to the main school doors. Students in cars in the north lane, please exit your car and walk to the crosswalk - these children will then walk as a group to the school doors. Once your children have left your car and are safely out of the way, you will then be allowed to leave. The next cars in both lanes should stay in their lanes and pull forward in lines to where Mrs. Reichert is standing. Please do not cross lanes! This new group of students will then also exit their cars following the same procedure. We will continue this process until all cars are through the lines.

We also ask that cars in our lines please not block the crosswalk so that children can walk safely to the school doors. Parents that choose to park in the parking lot instead of pulling into the drop off lanes, should walk with their children to the cross walk to ensure their safety. Thank you so much for your help and cooperation!

END OF SCHOOL DAY DISMISSAL

Recently, at the end of our school day, we have noticed that several parents have been begun parking along the Madison Park Road to pick up their children. Please do not do this! All students should be picked up in the front or lower parking lots. Our back lot is reserved for the 6 QPS and Daycare busses that come to pick up some of our students. We have watched parents and children walk out in front of the busses/vans and not realize they are blocking their way out of the lot. We have also seen a child run out in front of a bus! Some parents have pulled out from their parking spot as our busses are trying to leave. We know that none of these incidents are done on purpose. However, not only are these very unsafe conditions but our bus drivers are on schedules. Please give them consideration to meet their student's needs and schedule.

UPDATE ON CHECKING TEMPERATURES

We have received new guidelines from the Adams County Health Dept. regarding temperature checking before school. As of Monday, March 1st this is no longer required. We ask parents to check your child(ren) at home before bringing them to school. We thank our parents and volunteers that have helped us out with this task! You have been here for us through all kinds of weather and conditions! Words truly cannot express how much we appreciate you for your dedication to our school!! Thank you all so much!!

WATER BOTTLES

We want to remind our families to please send your children to school with their own water bottle. We are still not allowed to use any water fountains. We do have water fillers located in our buildings that your child can safely refill his/her water bottle. Since returning from Christmas vacation, we have had many students no longer bringing their water bottle to school. We have, of course, been providing water to these students but it is becoming quite an expense to our school. We will continue to provide water to students that need it but we ask that if at all possible they bring their own water bottle from home. Many children are asking for water and then just take a drink or two and throw it away. This is not only expensive to the school but the waste is upsetting. Thank you so much for your help with this.

2021-2022 KINDERGARTEN ROUND UP

We will have Kindergarten Round Up on two evenings this March because of COVID guidelines. Our Round Up will be held on Monday, March 8th and Tuesday, March 16th from 6:30-8:30 pm. Due to the limited number of people that we are allowed to have in one area, we are asking parents to choose one of the evening choices by signing up on our Sign-Up Genius. Unfortunately, only one parent may accompany their child to this event.

If you have a child that will be entering Kindergarten this fall, we ask that you complete a Kindergarten Registration form and return it or call our school office, 223-1120. After we receive your information, we will send an email for the Sign-Up Genius link that will allow you to register to attend either March 8th or March 16th.

Our current 4 yr. old Preschool students will have a special day that they will visit our Kindergarten classrooms. They will spend 30 minutes each in both classrooms. We will also take our traditional picture of each child in front of our Kindergarten Round Up School House. These photos will then be given to them at their Kindergarten screening on May 13/14.

KINDERGARTEN THROUGH 8th GRADE 2021-2022 ENROLLMENT

Enrollment forms for the upcoming 2021-2022 school year have been emailed to our current families on Thursday, February 25th. Please return all forms to the school office by Thursday, March 25th. These

may be sent to our school office or you may email them to Mrs. Hutson at r.hutson@cospq.org . If a printed form is needed, please contact our school office, 223-1120.

RIGHT TO LIFE - COLORING RAFFLE CONTEST

Every January, our 3rd - 8th Grade students participate in the Adams County Right to Life Poster and Essay Contest. As with many events this year, the contest had to be altered. Our students were asked to submit a coloring page representing our respect for all human life. Each Catholic grade school submitted entries and then a raffle was held at each grade level. The Committee also awarded 3 prizes for pages that stood out among the entries for artistic talent. We are very proud to announce that our Laura Craig (7th grade) was among one of these 3 winners for Exemplary Talent. Laura was awarded \$10.00. Congratulations Laura! We are very proud of you!

We also had 3 students in each grade level win raffle prizes of \$10.00 for their coloring pages. Congratulations to the following students:

3rd Grade - Anna Koenig, Dylan Peters, and Anistyn Willingham; 4th Grade - Aubrielle Bradfield, Luke Hoyt, and Bella Ohnemus; 5th Grade - William Mast, Katie Oitker, and Elise Sedovic; 6th Grade - Kaelynn Klauser, T.J. Weis, and Logan Woodyard; 7th Grade - Lilli Foster, Channing Trevino, and Sullivan Walker; 8th Grade - Heidi Knuffman, Mia Robnett, and Lizzie Strieker.

We thank all our students for entering this contest. We are very proud of everyone!!

AMERICAN HEART ASSN - KIDS HEART CHALLENGE

Mr. Shinn is working again this year with Catherin Henebry, the local Youth Director with the American Heart Assn., on the Kids Heart Challenge. The goal of this challenge is to teach our students at a young age that they can make choices to affect their own life-long heart health. There are 3 challenges students are asked to pick from this year: 1. Move more; 2. Drink water instead of sugary drinks; or 3. Do an extra kindness every day during the challenge. Our school link for students to sign-up for their challenges online is <http://www2.heart.org/goto/spq> Students signing up will get a free wristband!

If our school has half of our students sign up, not raising money, just picking a challenge online, St. Peter School will receive a bonus of \$300.00 more in US Games for PE equipment! This is a great challenge for all of us - adults and children. Our hope is that we have a great response to this very healthy and worthwhile challenge.

ST. DOMINIC SCHOOL - JOB OPENING

St. Dominic School is accepting applications for a teaching position for the 2021-2022 school year. Qualified applicants should hold an Illinois Professional Educator License with a middle grade (5-8) endorsement in Math. Responsibilities will include teaching Language Arts and Religion to 7th-grade students and Math for grades 6-8. Qualified applicants should send a cover letter, resume, and references to Mrs. Carol Frericks, St. Dominic School of St. Anthony of Padua Parish, 4100 Columbus Road, Quincy, IL 62305

QUINCY NOTRE DAME - JOB OPENINGS

QND has the following positions open for the 2021-22 school year: **Full-Time Biology, Anatomy/Physiology Teacher; Full-Time English Teacher; Full-Time High School Choral Director/General Elementary Music Teacher;** Applicants must have a secondary certification. All candidates should send a cover letter, resume and two letters of reference to QND Principal Mark McDowell, mmcdowell@qndhs.org.

UPCOMING DATES

Mar 8	Kindergarten Round Up 6:30-8:30 pm
Mar 10	Children's School Mass 8:30 am for grades 7 th /8 th w/Rm 104 students assisting
Mar 11	Children's School Mass 8:30 am for grades 3 rd and 6 th w/Gr 6 students assisting
Mar 12	3 rd Quarter ends; Report Cards will be sent home March 19 th
Mar 14	Daylight Saving Time begins
Mar 16	Kindergarten Round Up 6:30-8:30 pm
Mar 20	Jubilation Choir sings at 5:00 pm Mass; meet at 4:30 in Parish Music Room

