



Weekly Update



March 14th - March 20th

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

SUNDAY, March 14th:

- ☘ Daylight Saving Time begins! Spring your clocks forward one hour!

MONDAY, March 15th:

- ☘ 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
- ☘ School Advisory Board Meeting - Room 101 in Seton Hall - 7:00 pm

TUESDAY, March 16th:

- ☘ 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
- ☘ Kindergarten Round Up 6:30 - 8:30 pm in our gym

WEDNESDAY, March 17th:

- ☘ Children's School Mass 8:30 am for Grades K, 2, and 4 w/Kindergarten students assisting
- ☘ St. Patrick's Day - Out of Dress Code Day! Students/staff may wear appropriate Green/St. Patrick Day shirts w/out of dress code bottoms
- ☘ PMO Band Rehearsals - Gr 5 12:40-1:15 pm; Gr 6 1:30-2:15 pm - School Music Room

THURSDAY, March 18th:

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

FRIDAY, March 19th:

- ☘ 3rd Quarter Report Cards sent home; Gr 3-8 Report Cards also available on RenWeb
- ☘ Scholastic Bowl Team Practice 2:30-4:00 pm Martha Jane Room

SATURDAY, March 20th:

- ☘ Jubilation Choir sings at 5:00 pm Mass; meet at 4:30 pm in the Parish Music Room

****0 CURRENT COVID 19 POSITIVE TESTS IN OUR SCHOOL - WEEK OF 3/8-3/12***

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### CAFETERIA LUNCH VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

We are really in need of extra help during our student lunch shifts. We know that it is more difficult this year because of the added lunch shifts/extended times for parents to come in and help. We sincerely apologize for this inconvenience and hope that our lunch shifts will be back to normal this fall. This year we begin lunch with our Kindergarten and First Grade at 10:25; our second shift is 11:05 with Second and Third Grade students; Third shift for Fourth and Fifth Grade students begins at 11:45; Lunch for Grades Sixth, Seventh, and Eighth begins at 12:20. We need help with just the first 3 shifts, especially the first 2. Many times, the 1<sup>st</sup> through 3<sup>rd</sup> grade children need help opening items with their lunch and they always seem to need extra Ketchup! We also have a short window in between lunch shifts in which each table and every chair

needs to be washed off. If you can volunteer for any of the first 3 shifts, please email our cafeteria volunteer coordinator, Becky Bliefnick at [rebecca.bernadette@gmail.com](mailto:rebecca.bernadette@gmail.com).

Thank you so much for considering this! Just a reminder - this does count towards service hours.

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### **BOOK FAIR THANK YOU!**

Thank you to all the families that supported the Spring Book Fair. Your purchases helped provide the school with \$3,000 worth of new books to refresh our school library and classroom libraries. Thank you & happy reading! ~ Jamie Scholz, Book Fair Coordinator

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### **DAYCARE ATTENDANCE REMINDER**

We just want to remind parents that if your children are planning attend our St. Peter Morning/After School Daycare to please complete their weekly schedules. These schedules must be completed and submitted to our daycare. We realize that emergencies happen during the day and we will do our best to accommodate families. We do, however, highly discourage children coming at the last minute. These schedules are very important for our program in order to ensure that we have the appropriate members of staff present for each day.

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### **COVID GUIDELINES REMINDER - UPDATE AS OF 3/11/2021**

We have received from the ACHD updates on some changes with COVID guidelines for schools. Recently, we were notified that the schools are no longer required to take children's/adult's temperatures as they enter our buildings. We have also received guidance that we do not have to send students home that are experiencing the following symptoms: nausea, abdominal pain, nasal congestion, and runny noses. We certainly have seen some of these symptoms in children with COVID, but the IDPH removed them because they typically aren't the only symptom the child has if they have COVID. Students will continue to be sent home if they experience a temperature greater than 100.4 degrees F, cough, shortness of breath or difficulty breathing, chills, fatigue, muscle and body aches, headache, sore throat, new loss of taste or smell, vomiting or diarrhea. Medical evaluations and testing are still strongly recommended for all persons with these COVID-like symptoms. If one of your children have the symptoms that require them to remain home from school, all school age siblings must also remain home.

As always, we truly thank all our families for your help, perseverance, and patience as we all navigate through all the effects and challenges of the COVID 19 virus. We ask everyone to please continue to remain diligent in taking their child's temperature every morning before coming to school and to continue to follow all the set guidelines in hopes that we can soon return to a safer and healthy environment for our students, faculty, and staff. Conditions with COVID are beginning to improve and we will all get through this! Please continue to pray that our faith continues to grow, that we remain patient and have consideration for others, that we keep our sense of humor and respect for each other, and that we soon find the answers we all need.

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### **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.

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### **2021-2022 KINDERGARTEN ROUND UP - TUESDAY, MARCH 16<sup>th</sup>**

Our second Kindergarten Round Up will be this Tuesday, March 16<sup>th</sup>, from 6:30-8:30 pm in our school gym. If you have sent in your Round Up reservation form, you should have received the sign-up genius link to

register for this session. You may still sign up for this Tuesday evening through this sign up genius link : <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/409044FA8AA2FA6F49-stpeter>

Please call the school office if you have not received this information. We want to make sure we have your information correct for any future emails concerning next year's Kindergarten classes. We also ask parents to call our office if you have any questions regarding our Kindergarten Round Up. Unfortunately, due to the limited number of people that we are allowed to have in one area, only one parent may accompany their child to our Kindergarten Round Up evenings. We look forward to seeing our new Kindergarten students this Tuesday evening!

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## **2021-2022 KINDERGARTEN STUDENTS - KINDERGARTEN SCREENING**

We are so excited that your child will be in Kindergarten for the upcoming school year! One of the steps that helps in determining child placement is the opportunity for your child to go through the kindergarten screening. The information we gather from this process will assist us in various ways to meet the needs of your child. Please note that we take many factors into consideration for our classroom placement. Requests for specific teachers cannot be honored.

Please click on the link below to sign up for your child's screening. Both Mrs. Gallaher and Mrs. Eaton will be screening children on May 13<sup>th</sup> or May 14<sup>th</sup>. Please choose a day and time that will work best for you to bring your child in.

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/409044FA8AA2FA6F49-kindergarten>

If you have not already done so, please take time to review the video "A Day in the Life of a Kindergarten Student at St. Peter School!" <https://youtu.be/pWaoTdh8AUE>

Welcome to St. Peter School Kindergarten!!!

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## **ST. PETER SCHOOL YEARBOOKS FOR 2021-2022**

St. Peter School Yearbooks for this school year are available to order. Interstate Studio's online order code is active and is listed on the attached order form. You may use this code to place your order online or you may print this form with payment and send to our school office by April 30<sup>th</sup>. If you are ordering on-line please go to: <https://inter-state.com/Yearbook> and use the order code number on the flyer.

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## **KINDERGARTEN THROUGH 8<sup>th</sup> GRADE 2021-2022 ENROLLMENT**

Enrollment forms for the upcoming 2021-2022 school year have been emailed to our current families. Please return all forms to the school office by Thursday, March 25<sup>th</sup>. These may be sent to our school office or you may email them to Mrs. Hutson at [r.hutson@cospg.org](mailto:r.hutson@cospg.org). Once we have received your Pre-Enrollment form, we will open your online enrollment. Online enrollment must be completed by May 1<sup>st</sup>. After this date, FACTS will charge a late fee to your family's account. If a printed form is needed, please contact our school office, 223-1120.

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## **ST. PETER SCHOOL - JOB OPENINGS**

St. Peter School is accepting applications for teacher aide positions for the 2021-2022 school year. Applicants should have experience in working with young children. Responsibilities include working one on one with children, assisting the classroom teacher with instruction and supervision. Qualified applicants should send a cover letter, resume, and references to Mrs. Cindy Venvertloh, St. Peter School, 2500 Maine Street, Quincy, IL 62301.

## **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

## ST. FRANCIS SOLANUS - JOB OPENING

St. Francis Solanus is looking for a part-time cook as part of the cafeteria staff. This person should have high sanitization standards and be willing to work flexible hours. If interested, please send resume to Lori Shepard at St. Francis Solanus, 1720 College Avenue, Quincy, Illinois 62301, or send an email to [lshepard@stfrancissolanus.com](mailto:lshepard@stfrancissolanus.com).

## 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](mailto:mmcdowell@qndhs.org).

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## UPCOMING DATES

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| Mar 24       | Children's School Mass 8:30 am for Grades 7 <sup>th</sup> and 8 <sup>th</sup> w/Rm 101 students assisting                                                                                              |
| Mar 25       | <b>2021-2022 Pre-Enrollment forms for Grades K-8 due to the school office</b><br>Children's School Mass 8:30 am for Grades 3 <sup>rd</sup> and 6 <sup>th</sup> w/3 <sup>rd</sup> gr students assisting |
| Mar 26       | Stations of the Cross - presented by 7 <sup>th</sup> grade                                                                                                                                             |
| Mar 29-Apr 5 | <b>Spring/Easter Break - No School</b>                                                                                                                                                                 |
| Apr 6        | School resumes w/busses and daycare                                                                                                                                                                    |
| Apr 9        | Spirit Day!!                                                                                                                                                                                           |

## MARK YOUR CALENDARS

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| Apr 23 | No School for students; Professional Development Day -Teachers/Staff<br>(not on our original school calendar) |
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