



Patriot News

Weekly Update



March 17th-March 23rd

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

What's ahead this coming week:

Mar 17th Family Adoration Night **SEE ATTACHMENT**
Mar 18th 6th Grade QND Foreign Language Day
Mar 19th Kohl Wholesale Try Day- **SEE ATTACHMENT**
Mar 20th Children's Mass 8:30 5th Grade Leading
PTA Meeting 11:00 Conference Room-ALL are welcome
Mar 21st Adoration
Mar 22nd 4th/5th Young People's Concert
Spring Pictures K-8 **THESE HAVE BEEN CANCELLED**
Prayer Partner Reveal-8:10
Stations of the Cross 1:15-ALL are welcome



SCHOOL BUSINESS



2024-2025 School Calendar **SEE ATTACHMENT**

Please note there are a few spots TBD those will be sent as soon as the decisions are set.

PTA asking for volunteers to join a committee **SEE ATTACHMENTS**

Teacher Appreciation Week and End of Year Picnic

Preschool-8 Enrollment

Although the early bird discount due date is May 1st, **we are asking all families to begin packets to show their intention on attending for the 2024-2025 school year by March 31st.** Please note that when completing your child's packet, FACTS charges a \$11.00 fee per child for re-enrolling students. This is a set fee from FACTS in addition to the resource fee from St. Peter.

Open Parachute- Bullying **SEE ATTACHMENT**

A Parent Information Pack has been created to help you the parent receive resources that will help you when talking with your child. Please copy the link below and copy into your browser to begin the process.

<https://drive.google.com/file/d/1iyoiCGsxOwjPYaGItrf4eqeyRGO524es/view>

KOHL Wholesale TRY DAY **SEE ATTACHMENT**

March 19th from 1:00-2:30 Kohl Wholesale will be here at St. Peter to have students try new food choices. Foods include cheese pizza bagel bites, onion rings, chicken dippen biscuit sandwich, and poppin chicken bites.

Extracurriculars

GOOD LUCK at Wrestling State
Mia McGee and Kathlynn Sturhahn

QCES 7th/8th Spring Dance **SEE ATTACHMENT**

Spectacular Circus-Tuesday March 26th, Palmyra, MO

We have some Free Tickets for Children with a Paid Adult. Stop by the school office, first come, first serve.



Stewardship



UPON this ROCK-Capital Campaign message from Fr. Leo **SEE ATTACHMENT**

Family Adoration Night Sunday March 17th **SEE ATTACHMENT**

Pray as a family this Lent and join us at Family Adoration Night



Weekend Mass Opportunities **SEE ATTACHMENT**

Saturday Mass - 5:00pm Sunday Masses - 8:00am, 9:30am, & 11:00am

Traveling? Go to www.masstimes.org to find a Mass time near you.

Quincy Catholic Charities Annual Fundraiser April 6th **SEE ATTACHMENT**

SAVE THE DATE:

Mar 25th-Apr 1st NO SCHOOL Easter/Spring Break

Apr 3rd Children's Mass 8:30 4th Grade Leading

Apr 4th Adoration

PTA Scottie's Family Fun Night

Apr 6th 3rd Grade-First Communion & Confirmation in Springfield

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| Apr 7 th | 3 rd Grade Recognized at 11:00 Mass FOUND 7 th -9 th 6:30-8:00 |
| Apr 8 th | 4 th Grade QND Fine Arts Day 6 th Grade BizTown |
| Apr 9 th | 1 st Grade Quincy Public Library |
| Apr 10 th | Children's Mass 8:30 3 rd Grade Leading |
| Apr 12 th | Spirit Day-Wear Spirit Shirt .25/donation for Haiti out of dress code bottoms |
| Apr 13 th | 7 th /8 th Spring Dance at QND 7:00-9:00 |
| Apr 16 th | 8 th Grade Retreat at St. Anthony |
| Apr 17 th | Children's Mass 8:30 2 nd Grade Leading |
| Apr 18 th | Adoration |
| Apr 19 th | NO SCHOOL -Midterm Q4 |
| Apr 22 nd | Olympic Day Grades 5-8 at QND |
| Apr 23 rd | "HOUSE" assembly-wear "HOUSE" colored shirt with out of dress code bottoms |
| Apr 24 th | Children's Mass 8:30 1 st Grade Leading |
| Apr 25 th | Kindergarten Screening NO LIBRARY |
| Apr 26 th | Kindergarten Screening NO LIBRARY |
| Apr 28 th | FOUND 7 th -9 th 6:30-8:00 |
| Apr 29 th –May 5 th | Spring Book Fair |
| Apr 29 th | Olympic Day Rain Date |
| May 1 st | Children's Mass 8:30 Kindergarten Leading |
| May 2 nd | Adoration |
| May 3 rd | May Crowning 9:00 |
| May 7 th | "HOUSE" assembly-wear "HOUSE" colored shirt with out of dress code bottoms |
| May 8 th | Children's Mass 8:30 8 th Grade Leading |
| May 10 th | Spirit Day-Wear Spirit Shirt .25/donation for Haiti out of dress code bottoms |
| May 14 th | 8 th Grade Graduation Pictures 9:30, Honors Mass 10:15, Mass Ceremony 6:00 |
| May 15 th | Children's Mass 8:30 7 th Grade Leading |
| May 16 th | Adoration |
| May 17 th | K-2 Read Day |
| May 19 th | FOUND 7 th -9 th 6:30-8:00 |
| May 21 st | Preschool Last day |
| May 22 nd | Children's Mass 8:30 Kindergarten Leading |
| May 24 th | Last Day with 8:30 Mass and Picnic 11:30 Dismissal |

BULLYING: OVERVIEW FOR PARENTS & CAREGIVERS

WHAT IS BULLYING?

Bullying is when someone repeatedly takes their aggression out on someone else in a way that hurts the other person, and the person being hurt feels like they have no way to stop it. This is more than just conflict or mean actions, because one person is dominating the other.

WHAT CAUSES BULLYING?

Bullying is a result of pain that we don't know how to process, that gets dumped onto other people. We live in a world that normalizes blaming other people for the way we are feeling - we snap at our partner because we didn't get enough sleep, or we honk aggressively at a car that cuts in front of us because we're stressed that we're late. When actions like these become a pattern between people and one person has more power than the other (based on age, gender, occupation etc) it creates a bullying dynamic.

HOW CAN WE STOP BULLYING?

When we as adults see bullying happening, our first instinct is usually to protect the victim and punish the bully – this is a natural human response when we see this kind of domination and power imbalance. The difficulty with this approach is that we are reinforcing these two roles of bully and victim, and this actually promotes a continuation of the power imbalance. Being stuck in these roles of victim and bully is what causes the worst outcomes for kids. The first thing that helps shift these dynamics is to understand that both the child who is bullying and the one who is being bullied are in pain. One has learned to dump their pain onto others, and the other has learned to take on the pain of others. We can shift the power imbalance between these two by treating them as equals. Start by separating all parties involved and allowing them to calm down. Then have a conversation with each of them separately, showing them you care about them and see their pain, and encouraging them each to find their power to change the situation. Below is a script you can use as a guide in these conversations.

TIPS FOR HELPING YOUR CHILD COPE WITH BULLYING:

1. SCRIPTED RESPONSE: WITH THE CHILD WHO BULLIES

Ask about feeling: "I saw you said something unkind. I know you're a caring person so I wonder what you were feeling that made you act that way?"

Validate feeling: "I understand how frustrating that can be!"

Encourage accountability: "It's not OK to treat others that way. What could you change next time, and how can you repair it? I believe in your ability to do things differently!"

Set boundary: "You know what the rule is when we hurt each other, so let's do that now."

2. SCRIPTED RESPONSE: WITH THE CHILD WHO IS BULLIED

Ask about feeling: "What were you feeling when they said that to you?"

Validate feeling: "I'm so sorry you feel that way and that you had to go through this! It's not your fault – people only treat us badly when they are in pain themselves and it has nothing to do with you!"

Encourage accountability: "What's one thing you can do to take care of your feelings or help yourself in this situation?" (Eg. Ignoring them, walking away, asking them to stop, finding other friends, remembering it's not my fault, or thinking about the people that care about me)

Join Committee END OF YEAR PICNIC



Call or text: **Mindee Miller** (217)257-0233



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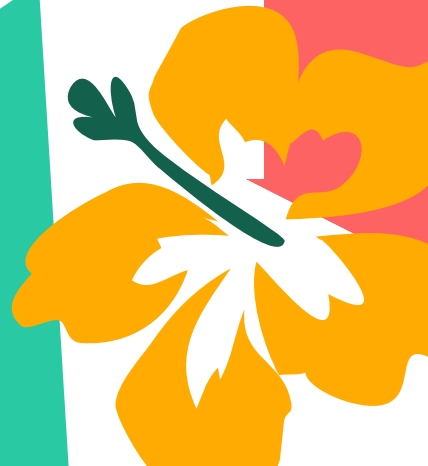




Join the Committee!



Call or email text: Kristen Walker
walkerkr1202@gmail.com or call (708) 227-5721



2024-2025

St. Peter School

K-8th Grade Calendar

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| Sunday, Aug. 11 | Kick off the School Year Mass at 11:00 A.M. followed by short visit to classroom to drop off supplies. |
| Wednesday, Aug. 14 | A.M. BUS SERVICE ONLY First 1/2 day with early dismissal for grades K-8 at 11:30 A.M. Parents will need to pick up students at 11:30 dismissal. NO DAYCARE |
| Thursday, Aug. 15 | Kindergarten (1 st part of alphabet – <u>KN class</u> w/last names TBD , <u>KS class</u> w/last names TBD) Holy Day – Assumption of Blessed Virgin Mary – Children’s Mass at 8:30 3yr old Preschool begins – ½ attend (1 st part of alphabet – <u>AM class</u> w/ last names A-R ; <u>PM class</u> A-M) 4yr old Preschool – ½ attend (<u>AM class</u> w/ last names A-M , <u>PM class</u> w/ last names A-J) K has ½ day (2 nd part of the alphabet – <u>KN class</u> w/last names TBD , <u>KS class</u> TBD) First Day of Daycare for grades K-8 in the A.M. and 1-8 in the P.M. NO BUS SERVICE for K at 11:30 dismissal. |
| Friday, Aug. 16 | ½ Day for all Kindergarten students – 11:30 A.M. dismissal – NO P.M. BUS and NO P.M. daycare for Kindergarten Grades 1-8 dismiss at 2:50 4yr old Preschool (second ½ alphabet attend: <u>AM class</u> w/ last names N-Z , <u>PM class</u> last names J-Z) First Full Day for Kindergarten 4yr old Preschool – all attend 3yr old Preschool (second ½ alphabet attend- <u>AM class</u> w/ last names S-Z ; <u>PM class</u> N-Z) Curriculum Night for grades 1-8 from 5:30-8:00 3yr old Preschool – all attend St. Peter Parish Picnic 5:00 P.M.-Midnight |
| Monday, Aug. 19 | NO SCHOOL - Labor Day |
| Tuesday, Aug. 20 | TBD City-Wide Mass – held at QND at 9:30 A.M. |
| Tuesday, Aug. 27 | NO SCHOOL – Teacher Inservice |
| Wednesday, Aug. 21 | A.M. BUS SERVICE ONLY -School is in Session |
| Saturday, Aug. 24 | NO BUS SERVICE -School is in Session |
| Monday, Sept. 2 | Parent-Teacher conferences held after school |
| TBD | A.M. BUS SERVICE ONLY ½ day school 11:30 A.M. Dismissal - Parent-Teacher Conferences |
| Friday, Oct. 4 | NO SCHOOL |
| Friday, Oct. 11 | A.M. BUS SERVICE ONLY -Holy Day - All Saints Day – Children’s Mass at 8:30 – |
| Monday, Oct. 14` | NO BUS SERVICE -School is in Session |
| Monday, Oct. 21-23 | NO BUS SERVICE -School is in Session |
| Thursday, Oct. 24 | NO SCHOOL – Thanksgiving Break |
| Friday, Oct. 25 | K-8 Dress Rehearsal in afternoon during school day- Time TBD . All Parents Welcome to Attend |
| Friday, Nov. 1 | A.M. BUS SERVICE ONLY -½ day 11:30 A.M. DISMISSAL: Grandparent/Special Persons Day |
| Monday, Nov. 4 | Christmas Break |
| Tuesday, Nov. 5 | School Resumes – FULL BUS SERVICE |
| November 27-29 | NO SCHOOL - Martin Luther King Jr. Day |
| Thursday, Dec. 19 | Catholic Schools Week |
| Friday, Dec. 20 | Religion Assessments Grades 5 and 8 |
| December 23-January 6 | NO SCHOOL – Teacher’s attending Diocesan Retreat - Springfield |
| Tuesday, Jan.7 | NO SCHOOL – President’s Day |
| Monday, Jan. 20 | Spring Break |
| January 26 – February 1 | Easter Break |
| February 1 – February15 | 8 th Grade Graduation – 6:00 P.M. |
| Friday, Feb. 14 | Last Day for 3 and 4-year-old Preschool for St. Peter |
| Monday, Feb. 17 | Last Day for K-7 if NO snow days are used (If last day, Picnic Day with 11:30 dismissal NO PM BUS) |
| March 13-March 17 | NO SCHOOL -Memorial Day |
| April 18-April 21 | Last Day if 5 snow days are used. |
| Tuesday, May 13 | (5 Emergency Days are built in this calendar. May 22-May 29.) |
| Tuesday, May 20 | 185 Total Days = 176 days, 4 Teacher Inservice days, 5 snow/emergency days |
| Wednesday, May 21 | |
| Monday, May 26 | |
| Thursday, May 29 | |

Map Testing Dates: Aug.1-Nov.30, & April 1-30

MIDTERM/QUARTER/REPORT CARD DISTRIBUTION DATES

| <u>Midterm Date</u> | <u>Midterms Distributed</u> | <u>Quarter Ends</u> | <u>Report Cards Distributed</u> |
|---------------------|-----------------------------|-----------------------------|---------------------------------|
| September 13, 2024 | September 20, 2024 | First - October 11, 2024 | Week of October 21, 2024 |
| November 15, 2024 | November 22, 2024 | Second – December 20, 2024 | January 10, 2025 |
| February 7, 2025 | February 13, 2025 | Third - March 12, 2025 | March 21, 2025 |
| April 11, 2025 | April 17, 2025 | Fourth – Last day of School | Last day of School |

2024-2025
St. Peter School
K-8th Grade Calendar



**Kohl's
Wholesale**

TRY DAY

JOIN US IN A NUTRITION
ADVENTURE!



**MARCH, 19
2024**



**MARCH, 20
2024**

SAMPLE NEW FOODS, LEARN ABOUT HEALTHY CHOICES &
VOTE FOR THE FOOD YOU WOULD LIKE OFFERED
ON YOUR SCHOOL MENU.

**BROUGHT TO YOU IN CELEBRATION OF
NATIONAL NUTRITION MONTH!**



QCES 7th/8th Grade

Spring Dance

Saturday, April 13 – Quincy Notre Dame – 7pm-9:00pm

Admission \$5.00

(Please turn into your Homeroom teacher by Friday, April 5th)

Drinks & snacks provided

Music provided by: Quincy's Finest Entertainment – Patrick Hollensteiner

Parents, we need your help! Please go to the following link to sign up: <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/30E0949ADAA2CA1F49-qces>

We are excited to offer this event for our 7/8 grade students! We realize that for some this may be their first school dance. Please encourage your child to come, they will have a blast! If for some reason your plans change at the last minute such as a sports schedule change due to weather, please come and pay at the door. We want as many students as possible to come! This is not a dance in which students are asked to bring a "date." This is a social event for the students to get to know one another from the four Catholic Elementary Schools.

Rules and Guidelines: The 7th/8th Grade Spring Dance is open to all QCES seventh and eighth grade students. (No outside guests are permitted.) **Doors will open at 6:30 p.m.** Music will start at 7:00 p.m. All students must arrive by 7:15 p.m. and be picked up no later than 9:00 p.m. **Parents must come inside** the QND gym to pick up their child. ***Children will not be allowed to wait in the parking lot or walk home or elsewhere.*** Students must remain at the dance until picked up by a parent.

Dress Code for the Event: dress attire for all students will be considered as "Sunday Best," similar to a wedding, Easter Sunday, or Confirmation attire. **No** jeans, shorts or t-shirts. This is **NOT** a formal attire event. Please do not go out and spend a lot of money on new clothes.

Girls who wear dresses: Dresses must be no shorter than two inches above the knee. If the dress is sleeveless or strapless, a light sweater or wrap must be worn at all times to cover the shoulders. No high heels are permitted.

Boys: dress pants and a dress shirt with or without a tie.

Please return this portion with \$5 admission to your child's school by **Friday, April 5th**

Student Name

Grade & Room Number

Parent Signature

Parent Contact Number

PRE-SPRING BREAK UPON THIS ROCK CAMPAIGN SOCIAL

Start your Spring Break early with some of your
St. Peter friends and family

When: Wednesday, March 20 @ 6:30 – 8 p.m.

Where: Quincy Brewing Company, 110 North 6th Street

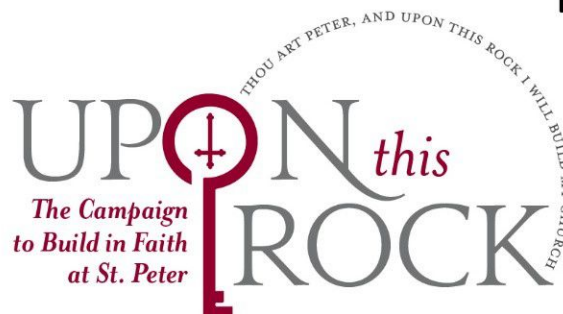
Who: St. Peter School families

Join St. Peter campaign leaders for a social to celebrate the early success of the *Upon this Rock: The Campaign to Build in Faith at St. Peter* campaign and to learn more about the campaign progress and projects.

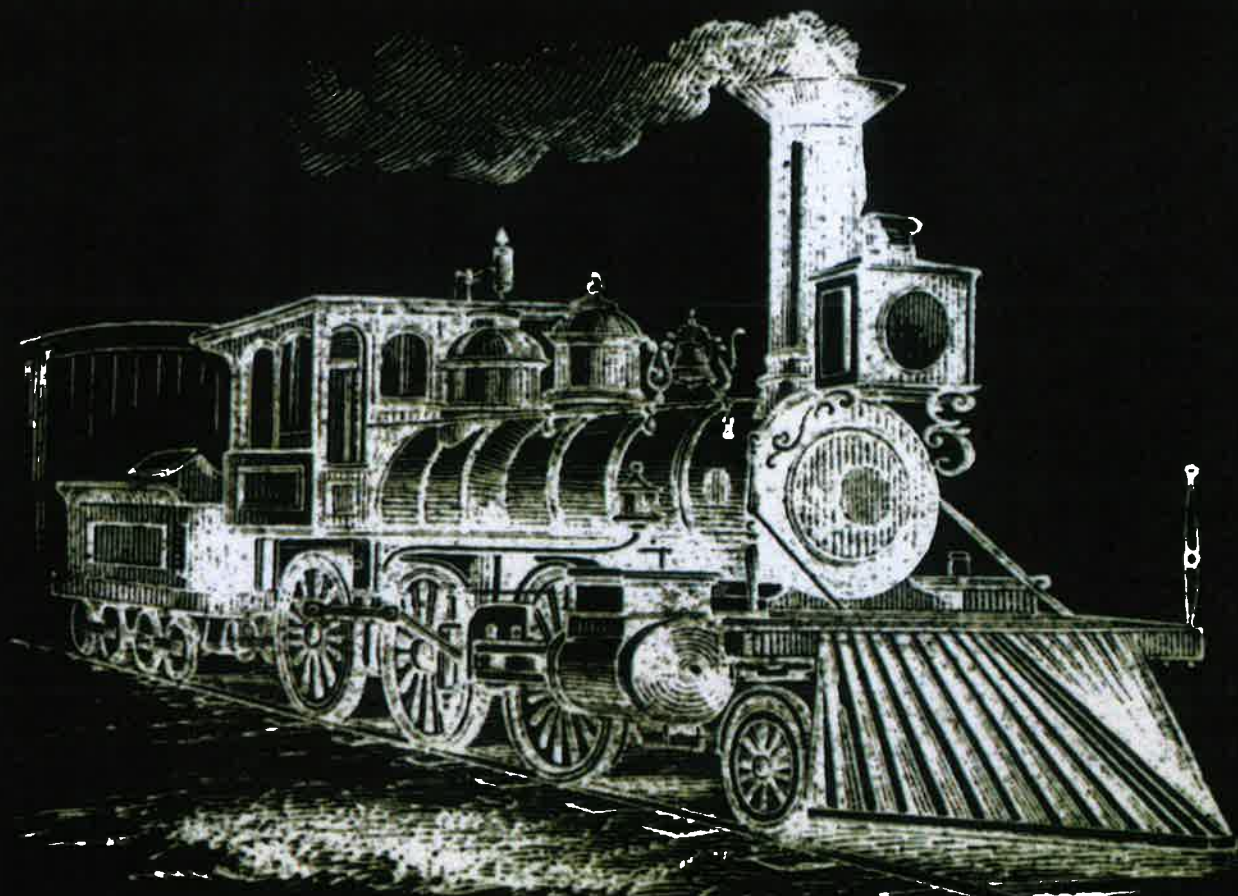
There will be a brief program from campaign and school leadership beginning at 7:00 p.m. The purpose of the night is to celebrate the campaign... and hopefully have you join in the vision for St. Peter and St. Peter School.

This event is for parishioners, school families and friends of St. Peter who are 21 years old or older.

*Please RSVP by 6 p.m. Tuesday, March 19 here:
Please call the campaign office at 217/222-3155
with questions.*



Quincy Catholic Charities 2024 Annual Fundraiser



MURDER MYSTERY ON A TRAIN

April 6 5 - 10 P.M.



The Holiday Inn
4821 Oak St, Quincy
Tickets: \$50 or \$350 for
a table of eight, including
Dinner and Entertainment
Silent Auction | Cash Bar

FAMILY ADORATION NIGHT

Sunday, March 17

6:00 p.m.



- Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament in the Church from 6:00-7:00pm
- Praise and Worship Music will be sung during Adoration
- The opportunity to go to Confession will be available
- Refreshments will be served in the Cafeteria following Adoration

ALL ARE WELCOME TO JOIN!



Pray as a family this Lent
and join us at Family Adoration Night!





JOIN US FOR MASS
EVERY WEEKEND AT

ST. PETER
CHURCH

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church@cospq.org

SATURDAY

5:00pm



SUNDAY

8:00am
9:30am
11:00am

Traveling?
Check out masstimes.org