



# St. Peter School

*Upon this Rock...*

**Dear Family,**

I was browsing through a quaint country store with my daughter a few weekends ago. The verbiage on the sign (below) caught my eye and stood out among all of the other "stuff." As parents we know, all too well, how busy life can be. . .family commitments, clubs and sports, homework, parish life, work and more! We all want the "**best**" for our children. When they are sad we want to see them smiling, when they forget something we want to *rush to their aide*, when they fail we search for a way to put everything back together for them. Reading this sign reminded me that there is no greater "fix" to supporting and loving our children than to just be truly **present**, to listen, console, pray and to encourage. . . patiently stepping back in an effort to let them experience the learning that comes from failure and disappointment.

Pray with me for all of our children, those in our midst and all those around the world. Pray that we have the courage to put trust in our Lord knowing he has a **specific purpose and plan** for each one of them. May we all be reminded to make life a beautiful journey of sweet memories, full of love and laughter with less anxiety and regret. Sometimes just

**Upcoming Week:**

**Sat./Sun., Oct.**

**16th/17th:**

Celebration of Holy Mass

**Monday, Oct. 17th:**

Family Rosary at 3PM

**Tuesday, Oct. 18th:**

Bus Evacuation Drill, PE  
Pacer Test Make-ups

**Wednesday, Oct. 19th:**

All School Mass and  
Confessions Gr. 6,  
ACC/Marmion/Rosary  
visits SPS

**Thursday, Oct. 20th:**

Engineering Club, 8th  
grade Girls VB

Recognition and **RED  
OUT!**

**Friday, Oct. 21st:**

End of 1st Quarter, Early  
dismissal at 1:00PM, All  
Cast Play Rehearsal,  
Middle School Social

saying a small prayer when our children are struggling, *may be the very best GIFT we will ever give to them. Our Lord is all knowing and ever gracious. He will provide!*

**Old Fashioned Country Sign:**

*You will never have this day with your children again. Tomorrow they will be a little older than they were today. This day is a gift. Breathe and notice. Hug and touch them; study their faces and little feet, and pay ATTENTION. Relish the charms of the present. Enjoy today. It will be over before you know it.*

God bless each one of you as the role of parenting is so important and can be difficult! Your children notice the sacrifices and care you give. . .and will someday realize our firm (yet loving) expectations were the stepping stones to growth and maturity.

*All the best,  
Mrs. Weis*

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**Helpful Reminders:**

- Rockford Diocese encourages the youth of our parish, grades 8 to 12, to attend the 2016 **Catholic Youth Summit** on October 30th. The event begins at 9:00Am and ends at 4:00PM. It takes place at Rock Valley College this year. For more information come to the school office or look on the Diocesan Website.

**Congratulations to our SPS Cross Country Team** for their tremendous efforts as they qualified for the State Meet in Normal! Congratulations to Nora Brady for her individual placement for state. PLEASE pray for them and cheer them on as they head down state this afternoon.

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**The team taking great enthusiasm and care in creating posters before the sectional meet. Thank you Mr. Tork, Mrs. Mikiloinis and Mrs. Chung for making this poster party possible!**

**At Noon today we had a joyful send off for our cross country team as students and staff lined the halls, cheering them on as they proceeded to the bus. (See photo below) Thank you Coach Tork for your years of dedication to St. Peter and our athletic department.**

- **Do you want free money?** Have tuition payments become difficult? Please consider using our Bonus Bucks program. A win-win to reducing tuition and supporting our parish school.
- **America NEEDS Fatima-Rosary Crusade!** Tomorrow on the steps of the Kane County Courthouse stairway from Noon-1:00PM.
- Men of our school. . . **The great Lakes Catholic Men's Conference is on Saturday, November 19th.** A super way to be encouraged in faith and family!
- Now that we are near the end of the first quarter, **we are expecting students to have what they need when they arrive at school each day.** Students will be allowed to call home if they have forgotten a lunch or have a health issue. Please support us in practicing the virtue of "responsibility" by expecting your child to remember band instruments, PE items, assignments/projects before the school day begins. **Thank you!!**
- **Conference sign up** will be available this coming week for each teacher. Conferences will last all day on Monday, November 21st from 8:00AM until 8:00PM.

## Go Rockets!!

