ST. PETER CATHOLIC CHURCH & SCHOOL

ABIDE IN CHRIST AND BUILD HIS KINGDOM

NEWSLETTER – Monday, October 26

2026-2027 SCHOOL THEME - *"That they may all be one." (John 17:21)*
SISTER OF THE WEEK – Sr. Guadalupe / Jr. Sister / Marian Sisters of the Diocese of Lincoln
SEMINARIAN OF THE WEEK – Please pray for Isaac VanSkiver from St. Michael in Hastings, College 2 at St. Gregory the Great Seminary
VIRTUE OF THE WEEK – Circumspection / Careful consideration of circumstances and consequences.

ITEMS INCLUDED in this NEWSLETTER (Scroll to view specific information):

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CALENDAR REMINDERS

Friday, October 30th – First Quarter report cards sent home with K-8 students

LUNCH MENU CHANGE

Due to a funeral on Wednesday, the lunch menu has been changed to: **Tuesday** – Hot dog on bun, corn, fruit, milk, and **Wednesday** – Chili, string cheese, cinnamon roll, fruit, milk.

FACILITY NOTICE

With the recent installation of our Lower Parking Lot Gate, please note that the Lower Parking Lot will be closed from 8:15 a.m. – 3:00 p.m. during School Days. Additional adjustments may follow as this project comes to completion. Updates will be provided as they come available as we best utilize this new safety feature for our students, our programs and campus.

SFA FALL APPRECIATION BASKETS

Thank you to the SFA Officers and parents who contributed to the Fall Baskets for our teachers and staff. Every basket was so unique and filled with goodies, gifts, and treats. Your thoughtfulness and support are greatly appreciated.

FAITH & OUTREACH



Saint Parade – All are invited to join us for our annual All Saints Parade taking place next Friday, October 30th at 2:00 p.m. in St. Peter Catholic Church, conducted by our 1st Grade students.

Catechesis of the Good Shepherd - The Catechesis of the Good Shepherd (CGS) program at St. Peter's is looking for volunteers to help lead, assist, or serve for our Atrium Sessions in some way! Catechesis of the Good Shepherd is a beautiful way for children to connect with the Montessori approach of education through the lens of the beautiful parables illustrated in the Gospels. If you are interested in becoming a catechist or assisting in St. Peter's Catechesis of the Good Shepherd program,

please reach out to our CGS Coordinator, Megan Neal (megan-neal@cdolinc.net) to learn more about this program and how you can serve. If you are interested in becoming a Catechist, there are scholarships and 6 spots still available for St. Peter's parishioners. The deadline to register for the Level 1 training is December 16.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

TeamMates - St. Peter Catholic School partners with the TeamMates Mentoring Program to serve students. We need Catholic volunteers to serve as mentors. Would you be a child's inspiration by becoming a mentor? See attached flyer with details.

Candy Drive - The Halloween Candy Drive will be held November 2-6. As a primer in tithing, we encourage the children to tithe their Halloween candy and send 10% to school to be sent to Matt Talbot Kitchen. Thanks for thinking of others and for helping our children to do the same.

ST. PETER PANTHER Junior High SPORTS & ACTIVITY OPPORTUNITIES

Speech Club – Students in Grades 6-7-8 are invited to an informational meeting after school in the Library on Wednesday, October 28, from 3:35-4:00pm. See attached flyer. Questions? Contact Mrs. Anderson at Janice-anderson@cdolinc.net

Boys Basketball

November 2 @ St. Teresa
6:45 pm – St. Teresa Navy vs. St. Peter Maroon (7)

November 3 @ St. Michael
5:45 pm – St. Michael vs. St. Peter Maroon (8)
6:45 pm – St. Michael Red vs. St. Peter Maroon (7)
7:45 pm – St. Michael White vs. St. Peter Black (7)

November 3 @ NAM
7:45 pm – NAM Silver vs. St. Peter Black (8)

November 5 @ St. Peter ***(Theme – TBD)***
5:45 pm – St. Peter Black vs. St. Joseph Gold (7)
6:45 pm – St. Peter Black vs. St. Joseph Gold (8)
7:45 pm – St. Peter Maroon vs. St. Joseph Maroon (8)

Home Games – Children are welcome to attend athletic events here at school **under parental supervision**. There aren't any staff members here that are assigned to supervise unattended children during evening games.

Parents, please click the link Basketball to sign up to volunteer at our home boys basketball games.

SAVE THE DATES

- Grades 5-8 Band Concert – Sunday, December 6 at 3:00pm @ Pius X Catholic High School
- Christmas Concert/Program – Thursday, December 10 - Please join us on Thursday, December 10 at 6:30pm for our annual Christmas Program in the gym.

SAFETY, HEALTH & WELLNESS

As Daylight Savings Time ends and clocks "fall back" on Sunday, November 1, your child(ren) may experience disruptions in their sleep patterns, mood, and daily routines. These changes can affect their overall health and well-being. Here are expert-backed tips to help ease the transition:

- *Gradually Shift Bedtime*
  Begin adjusting your child's bedtime by 10–15 minutes earlier each night for several days before the time change. This helps their internal clock adapt slowly and reduces sleep disruption.
- *Stick to a Consistent Routine*
  Maintain regular bedtime and wake-up routines. Predictable schedules help children feel secure and signal their bodies when it's time to wind down.
- *Control Light Exposure*
  Use blackout curtains to darken the room at bedtime and expose children to natural light in the morning. Light helps regulate the body's circadian rhythm.
- *Limit Screen Time Before Bed*
  Avoid screens at least one hour before bedtime. Blue light from devices can interfere with melatonin production and delay sleep onset.
- *Create a Calming Environment*
  Encourage relaxing activities before bed, such as reading or a warm bath, to help children settle down.

- *Be Patient and Supportive*
  Children may take a few days to adjust. Offer reassurance and be flexible with expectations during this transition.

Why It Matters - Sleep deprivation—even from a one-hour shift—can impact a child's attention span, appetite, and mood. Supporting healthy sleep habits during this time promotes emotional regulation, learning, and overall wellness.

PARISH, PIUS X AND COMMUNITY EVENTS

Navigating Us: Marriage Mini-Retreat – Join us for a marriage retreat on Saturday, November 14 from 9am to 12:30pm at St. Peter in the St. Paul Outside the Walls meeting room. Discover the path to a stronger marriage by learning communication skills for your marriage that foster deeper connection and intimacy. We will equip you with the tools to do effective daily check-ins to share information, feelings, and updates as well as how to process frustrations together in a way that connects right before the busy upcoming holiday seasons. The cost to attend is $20 per couple. Childcare is available. Register for the retreat at https://www.osvhub.com/saintpeterslincoln/forms/novmarriage.

Mother-Daughter and Father-Son Diocesan Programs – The diocese is planning its fall parent/child maturation talks for Saturday, November 21. The Mother-Daughter program will be held at John XXIII, and the Father-Son program at St. Joseph, both from 10:00am-12:30pm. See attached flyers for registration information and cost to attend. Or click Mother-Daughter or Father-Son for registration form.

Tickets for Teachers - **Do you have game tickets you may not use…**for an upcoming football, basketball, volleyball, softball, soccer or basketball game to our local Huskers, Creighton and/or other area colleges and universities? Or to a local concert. If so, email the School Office at office@saintpeterslincoln.com and we will randomly draw for those teachers that have interest in attending.

Spirit Catholic Radio Art Contest – This year's theme is *The Glorious Mysteries of the Rosary.* Students in K-8 are invited to participate. Submissions are accepted through Friday, December 11. See below for contest rules. Good luck to all artists.

1. Create a hand-drawn design, sized 6.5 inches wide by 8 inches tall (the school office has an example)
2. On the back, include the student's name, parish, and age. (the school office has labels)
3. Choose from the following mystery options based on grade level:
   - Kindergarten – 2nd Grade: The Resurrection or The Ascension of Our Lord
   - 3rd – 5th Grade: The Assumption of Mary or The Coronation of Mary
   - 6th – 8th Grade: The Holy Rosary or The Descent of the Holy Spirit

For additional details, click Art Contest.

Thunderbolt Wrestling Club - Looking for a sport that builds strength, discipline, and faith? Join the Thunderbolt Wrestling Club, a supportive, family-centered team where boys and girls grow on and off the mat. Free introductory clinic is being held every Tuesday in October at Thunder Fort, 5601 South 56th Street – Suite C. Preseason practices start in November. Boys and girls will have separate practices. All experience levels are welcome. For more information, click www.thunderboltwrestling.info or contact Marg Bohy at bohyboyzmom@yahoo.com or Jerry Clinch at jer@bccine.com

Mary Our Queen…Pray for Us!
St. Peter…Pray for Us!
Live Jesus in Our Hearts…Forever!

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St. Peter

HALLOWEEN CANDY TITHE

Week of Nov. 2nd - 6th

For every 10 peices of candy, give 1 to the poor



Donations will be delivered to Matt Talbot Kitchen & Outreach

Speech Club

INFORMATIONAL MEETING

MEETING IN THE LIBRARY.
COME CHECK IT OUT!

WEDNESDAY
OCT, 28, 2026

3:35 PM - 4:00 PM

QUESTIONS?
JANICE-ANDERSON@CDOLINC.NET

Children are the future for ALL of us! When we help children reach their full potential, we make the world a better place for everyone.

Would you be a child's inspiration by becoming a mentor with the TeamMates Mentoring Program? Here's what you need to know:

- Mentors meet one-on-one with their mentees at school during school hours.
- Mentors volunteer one time per week, for 30-60 minutes.
- Any child in grades 3-12 who would benefit from an additional caring adult in their life can participate.
- All TeamMates students have expressed a desire to have a mentor and have parental permission.
- The mentor/mentee bond gives youth hope, purpose, and vision.

To be a mentor costs only your time and care; you need:

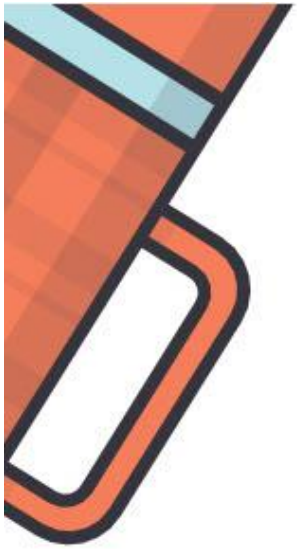
- A readiness to listen.
- An openness to share hobbies, interests, crafts, or play games.
- A willingness to encourage a young person's dreams.
- Completion of an application and a background check.

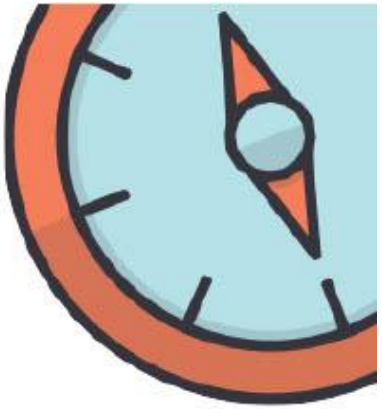
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Would you invest in a child's life? Would you be willing to spend time once a week providing support and encouragement to a young person?

If you are interested, please reach out to Katie O'Neal, Assistant Principal:

- Email: katie-oneal@cdolinc.net
- Phone: (402)-421-6299





FATHER/SON PROGRAM

IN HIS IMAGE

Saturday, November 21, 2026

St. Joseph Catholic Church
1940 S. 77th St. 10:00 am - 12:30 p.m.
Light snacks will be served
$30 includes father and son
https://lincolndiocese.regfox.com/01-flo-fatherson-program-fall-2026

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Mother/Daughter Program
for 9-13 year old girls
and a mother or other supportive adult female

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 21
$30 per adult and girl
10 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.

JOHN XXIII DIOCESAN CENTER
3700 SHERIDAN BLVD

TO REGISTER GO TO
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or scan the QR Code

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