



ST. PETER CATHOLIC CHURCH & SCHOOL

ABIDE IN CHRIST AND BUILD HIS KINGDOM



CELEBRATING 35 YEARS 1991-2026

NEWSLETTER – April 27, 2026

25-26 SCHOOL THEME – BUILD HIS KINGDOM

SISTER OF THE WEEK – Pray for young women to discern a vocation to the Sisterhood in our Diocese of Lincoln Motherhouses.

SEMINARIAN OF THE WEEK – Pray for all young men to discern a vocation to the priesthood in our Diocese of Lincoln.

VIRTUE OF THE WEEK – Faith / Enables one to know God and all He has revealed. / To view the Education in Virtue Calendar, click [HERE](#).

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

Volunteer Opportunities
Summer Camps
2026-27 Enrollment
Faith, Academics & Activities
Forward in Faith & Excellence Campaign
Safety, Health & Wellness
St. Peter Parish, Community, & Pius X Opportunities & Events

SCHOOL FAMILY ASSOCIATION MEETING / SCIENCE FAIR

Reminder ** Tuesday, April 28 ** Rosary at 6:30 p.m. – St. Peter Catholic Church / Meeting at 7:00 p.m. – Gym
Agenda items include: Administrative & SFA updates / Science Fair results

VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

Science Fair Volunteers Needed – Tuesday April 28 – The 2026 Science Fair will be held tomorrow, Tuesday, April 28. We are in need of a few more judges. To assist in this academic event for our students, email Keith McConnell at keith.mcconnell@zoetis.com or call 402.840.0416. Here is the schedule:

- Judging will be from 12:45 – 3:30 pm in JP11. Upon arriving, check into the School Office.
- Pizza, snacks, and drinks will be provided from 12:15 to end of judging.
- If you are able to help, please contact Keith McConnell at keith.mcconnell@zoetis.com or 402-840-0416.
- If you are a first-time judge, you are welcome.
- Most projects are judged by two judges, so if you are new you can be teamed with those who have been at this a long time.

ST. PETER CATHOLIC SCHOOL PRESENTS

Cinderella

Rodgers & Hammerstein's

YOUTH EDITION



April 30 & May 1, 2026 6:30 PM

St. Peter Catholic School Gym
Admission: Free Will Donation

Music by Richard Rodgers Book & Lyrics by Oscar Hammerstein II
Adaptation by Tom Briggs

Presented by arrangement with Concord Theatricals on behalf of
The Rodgers & Hammerstein Organization. www.concordtheatricals.com

Spring Musical - Cinderella – To volunteer, click, <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10COB4BABA92EA6FAC07-63431627-cinderella> For additional questions, contact Mrs. Odgaard at mary-odgaard@cdolinc.net.

Our school's 19th Spring Musical Performance will be held on Thursday, April 30th and Friday, May 1st at 6:30 p.m. A few volunteers are still needed. Putting on a musical is not possible without the help of our school families and friends, and we hope you will accept this invitation to share your incredible gifts of time and hearts of service by volunteering time to the prep, performance and/or after show tasks so our students may do the same through our school's Performing Arts opportunity. Below is the link to sign up along with an explanation of each opportunity. Thank you in advance for your consideration.

Spring Appreciation Baskets - It's time to help show how much we appreciate the faculty and staff of St. Peter School and Parish. If you would like to create a basket or bag of goodies for one of the staff, please click [Spring Baskets](#). Baskets need to be dropped off at school by 8:05am on Wednesday, May 6. Thank you for your generosity.

SUMMER CAMPS

St. Peter Camps – Online registration is open. There will be two sessions, see below or attached flier for camp descriptions or click [HERE](#) or the image below:

2026 ST. PETER SUMMER CAMP CALENDAR

<p>Monday, June 1 Art & Craft Keepsakes, Gr. K-2 Girls Just Want to Have Fun, Gr. 5-6 Robotics 1.0, Gr. 4-6 Doodle Days of Summer, Gr. 4-8</p>	<p>Tuesday, June 2 Art & Craft Keepsakes, Gr. K-2 Girls Just Want to Have Fun, Gr. 5-6 Robotics 1.0, Gr. 4-6 Doodle Days of Summer, Gr. 4-8 Vacation Bible School, Gr. PK-3</p>	<p>Wednesday, June 3 Art & Craft Keepsakes, Gr. K-2 Girls Just Want to Have Fun, Gr. 5-6 Robotics 1.0, Gr. 4-6 Doodle Days of Summer, Gr. 4-8 Vacation Bible School, Gr. PK-3</p>	<p>Thursday, June 4 Art & Craft Keepsakes, Gr. K-2 Robotics 1.0, Gr. 4-6 Doodle Days of Summer, Gr. 4-8 Vacation Bible School, Gr. PK-3</p>
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Pius X Camps - Registration for Pius X Catholic High School is open at PiusX.net/camps. Camps range from the arts to academics to athletics, and from kindergarteners to high school seniors, there is sure to be a camp your child will love. First week of camps start May 26.

2026-27 ENROLLMENT

To view the materials online, visit the following links.

- [Preschool & PreKindergarten Enrollment](#)
- [K-8 Enrollment](#)

Re-enrollment Now Open – Online re-enrollment is now called “**Annual Student Information Review**”. There have been a few changes to the online enrollment for [returning students](#). Parents will initially see **only one form**, the “**Annual Student Information Review**”. Based on the responses provided in that form, the system will determine which additional forms the parent needs to complete. Returning students will still be required to complete 1) Health History, 2) Medical Authorization, and 3) Agreements. This redesigned process will eliminate forms where no changes are needed which will save time for parents.

NOTE: The enrollment process for [brand new students](#) entering the system for the first time will remain unchanged.

Scholarship Opportunities – For an overview of the St. Peter scholarship opportunities for K-8, click [HERE](#).

- (NEW) Discipleship Scholarship – up \$1000 per child – **application due April 30th**
- Family Cap Scholarship – 4th enrolled child is free.

FAITH, ACADEMICS & ACTIVITIES

FAITH:

Congratulations to our 2nd grade students who made their First Penance on Friday and First Holy Communion on Saturday, and to our 5th grade students who received Confirmation on Monday, April 13.

School Family Confessions Wednesdays from 7-8 pm. Last weekly confessions will be Wed. April 29 from 7-8:00pm for families with last names S-Z.

May Crowning will be Tuesday, May 5 at the 8:15am Mass and is a lovely celebration of Mary. Each child in grades PK-8 may bring a flower for Mary on this day. The children will process into church with their flowers, which will be placed in front of the Mary statue. Second graders will wear their First Holy Communion outfits, and the 8th graders will dress in their graduation

gowns. (The graduation class picture is taken after Mass.) The 2nd graders will change out of their outfits after Mass. The 8th graders will wear uniforms under the graduation gowns for this event. Thank you for those willing to volunteer. For questions, contact the School Office.



Mission Collection (Fridays) – For those who were part of St. Peter prior to 2022, the name *Kirsten Stephan* is likely a familiar and cherished one. For those newer to our community, Mrs. Stephan was a beloved teacher at St. Peter Catholic School who faithfully served our mission as our Art Teacher before her passing. Her presence, creativity, and generosity of spirit left a lasting mark on our school and on all who knew her. St. Peter Catholic School’s Friday Mission Collection through May 15th will be to support her daughter Alex as she plans to participate in the upcoming Lincoln Marathon to support the mission of [Mourning Hope Grief Center](#). To learn more about Alex’s efforts, visit <https://www.facebook.com/profile.php?id=61580550005473> or email alexandraberkebile@gmail.com.

Family Summer Retreat – Our Lady of Good Counsel Retreat House is hosting a Family Retreat Day on Sunday, August 2. This is a wonderful opportunity for families to step away from the busyness of life and grow in their faith together. Activities include games, prayer, talks, Adoration, and time together as a family. See attached flyer for details.

ACADEMICS:

Spring Band Concert – Miss Molly Kramer, our band instructor, would like to extend an invitation to everyone to come to the Combined Catholic Schools Spring Concert. The concert will be held in the Pius X Gym on May 4 at 6:30pm and will feature performances from the 5th, 6th, 7th, and 8th grade band students from St. Peter, St. Michael, and North American Martyrs. These young musicians have been working hard all school year and would love your support!

Keyboarding Madness – During March and April, 16 “teams” of teachers, staff, and students from grades 4-8 participated in a friendly tournament consisting of one-minute keyboarding tests. **The Champions, “Explosive Typers”**, consisted of Ms. Walkowiak, Mrs. Wahlmeier, Dexter, Lincoln, Ethan, Jack, Samuel, Myles, Gerard, Dominic and Kaden. **The Consolation Champions, “Aquinas Cooked to Well Duns”** consisted of Sister Marie Amata, Camila, Emma, Kerrigan, Priya, Eli, Grady, Warren, Thomas and Lily. Congratulations! **Thank you** to Mrs. Noble for compiling all of the data and to everyone who participated.

Library Books – All books must be returned to the school library by **no later than Friday, May 8**. Report Cards **will be held** if books are not returned. Contact Librarian Sandra Caradori at sandra-caradori@cdolinc.net with any questions.

JH Elective Instructors - St. Peter Catholic School is looking for parent volunteers to help lead engaging electives for our 7th and 8th grade students starting August 2026. Previous classes have included chess club, leisure games, bible journaling, and financial literacy—your unique talents and interests could help us expand our options! This would be a once-a-week commitment on either Thursday or Friday—whichever works best for your schedule—from 12:45 to 1:30 p.m. If you are passionate about a subject, hobby, or skill and would enjoy sharing it with students, please contact the school office at office@stpeterslincoln.com or 402-421-6299.

ACTIVITIES:

Jr. High Golf – Team Scramble & Awards will be Wed. and Thurs., May 6-7, from 4:00-5:30pm at Pine Lake Golf Course.

Jr. High Track – The second/final Meet is Saturday, May 9 at Pius X. To view the schedule, click [Track](#). For additional questions, contact Mrs. Zohner at laineey-zohner@cdolinc.net.

FORWARD IN FAITH & EXCELLENCE CAMPAIGN

We are currently at \$1.4M of our \$2.5M goal. The campaign identifies the following needs: [Security](#) (modifying the school entry at the main entrance, and incorporating a new intercom system), [Beautification of public spaces in school](#) (replace flooring in halls, entrance, and JPll hall), and [Rectory](#) (provide ADA compliance, space to assist in Deacon formation, and space for small groups/parish events). Please consider making a gift to the campaign by sending in your pledge card or go to [online giving](#).

SAFETY, HEALTH & WELLNESS

Walk & Roll to School Day - Save the date! Wednesday, May 6, for this special Safety, Health and Wellness Activity. A special email will be sent with additional details.

Bike Safety – As the weather warms up, we see more bicycle riders at school. For safety reasons, all students riding their bike to school must wear a bicycle helmet. Thank you for keeping our students safe.

Attention 6th Grade Parents – Sixth grade students are required to have a physical exam completed by a healthcare provider **within six months prior to the entrance into 7th grade** AND an updated immunization record including a Tdap vaccine. Sometimes it takes a long time to get an appointment if you wait until summer to schedule. **A copy of your student's physical and a complete list of immunizations from your provider is due in the school office before August 18, 2026.**

ST. PETER PARISH, COMMUNITY, & PIUS X OPPORTUNITIES & EVENTS

LNK Jr. High Trivia Night – All 6th through 8th graders of the parish are invited to come to LNK's Trivia Night for junior high. It will be held at St. Peter on Wednesday, April 29 from 6:30-8:00 pm in John Paul II Hall. There will be great trivia, minute to win it games, prizes, and an Oreo bar. If your son or daughter plans to attend, please email Blake at blake-vaigt@cdolinc.net.



Nebraska Catholic Day of Giving on Wednesday, May 6th, 2026.

Nebraska Catholic Day of Giving – **SAVE THE DATE!** This year's event will be held May 6th. Help St. Peter Catholic School raise funds for a (portable) **Wireless Microphone System**. The Wireless Microphone System will replace equipment that has depreciated and is outdated. The system will be housed in our St. John Paul II Hall and used for faith, academic, and activity events such as:

- Annual Spring Musical
- Christmas Program
- Wax Museum, 5th Grade
- Living Stations of the Cross
- All Saints Parade
- School Presentations
- Parish events (e.g., Fall Festival / Truck or Treat, etc.)

Project Cost: \$15,000

To participate or to learn more, visit: [St. Peter Catholic School | #iGiveCatholic](https://www.stpetercatholic.org) or call the School Office @ 402.421.6299.

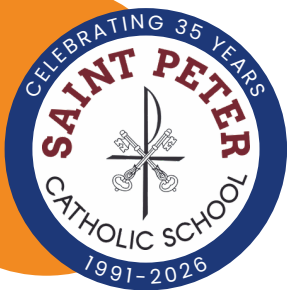
CK Sisters Outdoor Spring Workday – On **Saturday, May 9**, from 1:30-4:30pm, the Sisters will be planting their vegetable garden, cleaning up brush, and cutting trees. Helpful items to bring include wheelbarrows, shovels, gloves, pruning/lopping shears/saws, hoes, pickups and chainsaws. Children are also welcome! Contact Sister Mary Angela at sr.mary-angela@cdolinc.net if you would like to come and help. Please also print and complete a liability [form](#) (one per adult; children added to adult form.) See attached flyer for details. Villa Regina Motherhouse, 4100 SW 56th St., about 2 miles west and south of Pioneers Park. (Walk-ins also welcome.)

SAVE THE DATE FRIDAY, JUNE 5

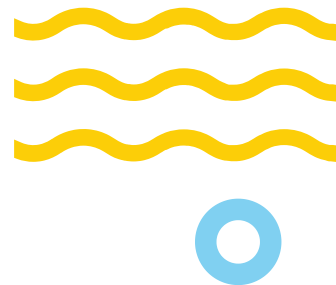
Parish Fundraiser – Saddle Up & Sip – Join us **Friday, June 5th** at the annual St. Peter's Catholic Church & School fundraiser, **Saddle Up & Sip!** for an evening of fellowship, live and silent auctions, food and drinks, live music, games and more! See flyer being sent home today with your youngest/only student. Many classroom projects, classroom treats, and special student events will be auctioned off to support our school & parish. Doors open at 6:30pm with a live auction beginning at 9:00pm. Must be 21+ to attend. Tickets available for purchase beginning Tuesday, May 5th on the parish website and can be purchased at the door of the event. It takes many extra hands to make this special evening a success. To help with event set up, event ticket sales, food prep, and clean up, click [Sign Up Genius link](#).

Camp Kateri Registration – There are still openings in the “Western Adventure” camp for students in Grades 3-5. Students in Grades 6-8 can still sign up for the “SKY Games” camp. Register at www.campkateri.org and also view the video on the home page.

Summer Reading Challenge – The theme for this summer's Lincoln City Libraries reading challenge is “Unearth a Story”. The program runs from May 22 to July 31. Students of all ages are encouraged to read over the summer, but there are also fun and free events happening at the library all summer long. Sign up online via Beanstack or in person at your favorite library location. Students can earn free coupons, including a chance at winning grand prizes!



ST. PETER Summer CAMPS



SESSION 1: WEEK OF JUNE 1

Vacation Bible School Gr. PK-3	Art & Craft Keepsakes Gr. K-2	Robotics 1.0 Gr. 4-6	Girls Just Want to Have Fun! Gr. 5-6	Doodle Days of Summer Gr. 4-8
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SESSION 2: WEEK OF JUNE 8

Art & Craft Keepsakes Gr. K-2	Girls Just Want to Have Fun! Gr. 3-4	Watercolor Wonders Gr. 4-8	Robotics 2.0 Gr. 6-8
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Camps are either 3 or 4 mornings. See Camp Descriptions for specific dates/times.
 Camps are for children entering the grade levels listed in 2026-27.

Class sizes are limited. If a camp reaches capacity, a waitlist will be created.
 Snack and recess will be included each morning.

**Online Registration opens
 Monday, April 13 at 9:00 am**



2026 St. Peter Summer Camp Descriptions

Doodle Days of Summer

June 1-4, 9:00 am-12:00 pm

Relax and create art at the same time! Learn through fun doodling exercises, the use of repetition, combining Mandala-type drawings and sketching abstract ideas. Wow! So many techniques! Go home with various creations: all-occasion cards, borders, gift tags, decorative initials, creative stationary and more.

Teacher: Mrs. Sandie Caradori, librarian and artist

Grades (entering): 4-8

Registration fee: \$125

Robotics 1.0

June 1-4, 9:00 am-12:00 pm

Do you like science, engineering and technology? Let's build some robots! We'll build 13 different models with uKits and program them with block-based coding on an iPad, then make a quick video of each robot in action!

Teacher: Mrs. Steph Noble, computer teacher

Grades (entering): 4-6

Registration fee: \$125

Vacation Bible School

June 2-4, 9:00 am-11:30 am

Do you want to fall deeper in love with the Word of God? Join us for Vacation Bible School! We'll spend time together with the Word of God and friends and through different crafts, songs, and activities come to share the love of God with one another and the world!

Teacher: Mrs. Kellie Vajgrt and other volunteers

Grades (entering): PK-3

Registration fee: \$25

Art and Craft Keepsakes

Session 1: June 1-4, 9:00 am-12:00pm

Session 2: June 8-11, 9:00 am-12:00 pm

Does your child love to create with arts and crafts? Join us for a week of creating handmade gifts that also make great gifts for family and friends. Gifts to be made will include: a Catholic school calendar for the 2026-2027 school year; a set of four coasters; a set of six thumbprint magnets; and a set of three keychains. Priceless treasures to keep for yourself or give to those you love.

Teacher: Mrs. Janice Anderson, PreK teacher

Grades (entering): K-2

Registration fee: \$125

Registration fee: \$125

Girls Just Want to Have Fun!

Session 1: June 1-3, 9:00 am-12:00pm

Session 2: June 8-10, 9:00 am-12:00 pm

Have a desire to go on a girl's trip without the travel and the hassle of planning? Join us for a three-day "get away" right here at St. Peter! Young ladies will take the time to grow in spiritual friendships with their peers, while also doing all the things girls love to do! We will reflect on a Bible passage each day about the "Feminine Genius", beginning with Proverbs 31 to the Visitation. We will also complete arts and crafts corresponding to that Bible passage - including bouquet making! Get ready for crafts, adoration, Lectio Divina, and much more!

Teacher: Ms. Megan Neal, 5th grade teacher

Grades (entering): 5-6

Registration fee: \$90

Grades (entering): 3-4

Registration fee: \$90

Robotics 2.0

June 8-11, 9:00 am-12:00 pm

Do you like science, engineering and technology? We're going to use the TETRIS PRIME remote-control robotics set to construct 3 different robots and then have some fun with them, including an obstacle course and battle-bots competition.

Teacher: Mrs. Steph Noble, computer teacher

Grades (entering): 6-8

Registration fee: \$125

Watercolor Wonders

June 8-11, 9:00 am-12:00 pm

Have you always admired watercolor paintings and wondered if you could do that? Well, you can! Come learn the watercolor basics and explore the types of paints, brushes, and a myriad of techniques. Have fun learning and creating at the same time! Create paintings, cards and best of all, a treasured painting-sketchbook!

Teacher: Mrs. Sandie Caradori, librarian and artist

Grades (entering): 4-8

Registration fee: \$125

Outdoor Workday

School Sisters of Christ the King



Who: Adults and children who like to work outdoors!

**Where: Villa Regina Motherhouse
4100 SW 56th Street**

****West of Pioneers Park on Van Dorn, turn
south on Southwest 56th Street****



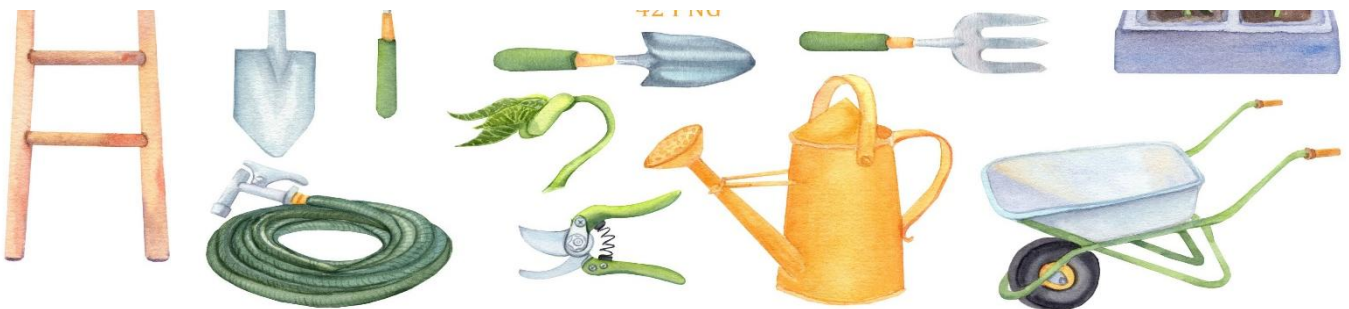
Saturday, May 9, 2026

1:30-4:30 p.m.

Projects: Planting vegetable garden, clearing brush, cleaning up flowerbeds, cutting trees, etc.

***Supplies to bring: gloves, pruning shears/saws, clippers, shovels, wheelbarrows, pickups, chain saws & energy!
(*Please make sure all tools are marked with your name.)
RSVP via email if you can. sr.mary-angela@cdolinc.net
“Walk-ins” are also welcome.**

**Thank you for your generosity and
God bless you!**



COME TO NAZARETH

A Retreat for the Whole Family

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SUNDAY AUG 2
2PM-7PM

**OUR LADY OF GOOD COUNSEL
RETREAT HOUSE**

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ACTIVITIES & WHAT TO EXPECT

- Welcome & Opening Activity
- Breakout Sessions for All Ages
- Strength in the Family – Therese Fuller (older kids & parents)
- Mary – Josh Burks (younger children)
 - Family Olympics & Snacks
 - Procession & Outdoor Adoration
 - Supper & Campfire

*For more details, visit:
goodcounselretreat.org or
call 402-786-2705*



Scan QR code to learn more!

**ALL AGES
WELCOME!**

