

**ST. PETER IN CHAINS
THE LINK
10/09/2025**



Mission Statement:

The mission of St. Peter in Chains School is that your child will learn to live their *Faith*, pursue *Community*, and champion *Excellence*.

Important Dates:

- 10/8/25 – Parent/Teacher Conferences – 2:30-7:00 PM
- 10/9/25 – **WALKATHON 2025** – students can be out of uniform and should wear a St. Peter in Chains School spirit wear shirt. To be out of uniform, students must follow all out of uniform rules in the handbook
- 10/10-10/12/25 – Operation Pumpkin – Downtown Hamilton
- 10/11/25 – Knights of Columbus Drawdown
- **10/12/25 – November lunch orders are DUE BY 11:45 PM**
- 10/15/25 – Lego Club – 2:15-3:00 PM – see pg. 2 for payment link/permission slip
- 10/16/25 – Parent/Teacher Conferences – 2:30-7:00 PM
- 10/17 & 10/20/25 – **No School**
- 10/22/25 – Unity Day – students can wear an **ORANGE** shirt with IN uniform bottoms for National Bullying Prevention Month (if not participating, students should come to school in full uniform)
- 11/5/25 – Picture Re-takes – 9AM
- **11/6/25 – Preschool & Kindergarten Open House – 6-7 PM in the Annex**
- 11/8/25 – Night for the Fight – Grades 6-8 – at Badin HS from 6-9 PM – details to come
- **11/14/25 – will be the Pizza Friday from 10/17 order**
- 11/20 & 11/21/25 – Book Fair GRAND Event – details to come
- 11/22/25 – HSPT for 8th graders – see pg. 3
- 12/18/25 – Christmas Program – Students in Grades K-5 – details to come in the next few months
- 4/16/25 – First Communion Rehearsal & Pictures – details at a later date
- 4/19/25 – St. Peter in Chains First Communion – 10AM mass at St. Peter's Church – **DATE UPDATE**



Mass Schedule for Oct:

Tuesday, October 14, 2025 – Grade 7 leads

Tuesday, October 21, 2025 – Grade 6 leads

Tuesday, October 28, 2025 – Grade 5 leads

****Everyone is welcome to join us at Mass. Please sit behind all the classes, toward the back. ****

Parent/Teacher Conferences:

Parent/Teacher conferences are being held October 9 and 16. The registration link is now expired. ***If you need to schedule a conference, please contact the school office asap.*** Our teachers can work you in, but we need to know as soon as possible.

WALKATHON – 2025

Our annual Walk-a-Thon is scheduled for tomorrow, **Friday, October 10, 2025.**

An email was sent out today in regards to the Walkathon T-shirts. **Shirts did not arrive in time, so we ask that students wear a St. Peter in Chains School spirit wear shirt/top. Students can be out of uniform but must follow all out of uniform rules in order to be out of uniform.**

We plan to have students wear their Walk T-shirts on Nov. 7 so we can take our class picture.

We appreciate everyone's generosity and support of our one, BIG FUNdraiser!! It's amazing how supportive everyone has been of our AMAZING school! We can't wait for our Walkathon tomorrow and being able to share with our faculty, staff and families just how successful our fundraising was!

Thank you in advance!

LUNCH TIME SNACK BAR

The lunch time Snack Bar opened this past Tuesday for the school year. **The Snack Bar will be open on Tuesdays & Thursdays each week during lunch time.** All items are just \$1.00. We've included many healthy options that students will enjoy as well as some of the same items as last year. There will be a good selection for everyone!

If your child would like something at lunch, please remind your child(ren) they should bring their \$\$ to school. They should have it in their hand or lunch box before going down to the lunch room.

Proceeds from the Snack Bar will go toward upgrading technology throughout the school.

Start Time & Attendance (K-8):

Just a friendly reminder...students are required to be in their seats before the 7:30 am bell. If they are not in their seats, they are marked tardy. *The doors to both morning entrances will close at 7:30 AM and your child should be brought to the main office to check in.* **After 3 tardies, your child will receive a written warning. If they incur their 4th tardy they will be required to serve a 30 min. detention after school.** The attendance policy is in the Parent/Student Handbook. Please plan your morning appropriately so your child is dropped off early enough to not be stressed out and can make it to their classroom in time.

ROSARY CLUB: 2:15-3:30 PM

Open to students in K-8. Meets the first Wednesday of the month 2:15-3:30

- Enjoy quality time with friends in a fun, Christ-centered environment
- Make rosaries for family, friends and to donate to Catholic missions
- Learn more about the rosary, the saints and our Catholic faith

[PERMISSION SLIP](#)

[Rosary Club Payment Link](#) (online payments only)



Permission slip and payment are due at least 24 hours before meeting time or your child cannot attend

LEGO CLUB –
2:15-3:00 PM



Open to young architects and engineers in K-8
2:15-3:00 PM

Join in the fun at our once-a-month Lego Club! The Lego club will promote creativity, problem solving, and teamwork, all while “playing” and having fun! Students can join us once a month in the St Peter in Chains cafeteria to complete the themed Lego challenge. Lego’s and a snack will be provided. \$25 fee for the school year. Please use the link for sign-ups as well as payment.

[LEGO CLUB PAYMENT LINK](#) (online payments only) **[PERMISSION SLIP](#)**

Questions, please contact Mrs. Lawson at lawsons@stpeterinchains.org

****ALL permission slips & payments MUST be turned in 24 hours prior to the club's meeting time or your child cannot attend that week.**

VOLUNTEERING IN THE SCHOOL OR PARISH:

ANYONE who wishes to volunteer in our school or the parish **MUST** be certified with Safe Parish trainings AND have a positive background check on file thru Selection.com You must also keep up on the trainings throughout the year. You must also stay up to date on the Safe Parish trainings that are sent out via email. All approved volunteers are checked prior to the time of the event scheduled for to be sure they are up to date on the trainings.

*****Right now there is a delay with background checks for those that live or have lived in Butler County – this is due to a cyber attack/data breach. Background checks are backed up. Please be patient and know that we cannot change this scenario. Those who that are not Safe Parish certified AND have a positive background check on file cannot be on campus or around our students (including coaching). This is an Archdiocesan rule. Our ultimate goal is to keep our kids safe, so please be patient and show some grace.*****

Preschool/Kindergarten Open House – Thursday, November 6

We are hosting an Open House for prospective Kindergarten and Preschool families from 6:00-7:00. Word of mouth is best! If you know of anyone who is looking for a school next year, please pass information on or have them contact our school office. The link for signups for the Open House will be available soon.

Student Council – Grades 7 & 8



SPS Student Council is an after-school club giving our 7th and 8th grade Eagles a chance to be leaders in our school. Last year, they planned many fun activities for our students throughout the year. Their biggest project was running the fan-favorite St. Pete's Eats, a breakfast bar once a week. Instead of a President and Vice President, we will be having a Student Council Board made up of 4 8th graders and 2 7th graders to lead like last year. Many students submitted proposals last week, and teachers are voting this week on who will be on the board. Meetings will take place on the first Wednesday of the month. Permission slips were passed out this week. ***Be sure to get your slip in so you can stay!***

The first meeting will be on Wed., October 1

****No need to enter into PickUp Patrol (PUP) if staying – only enter into PUP if your child is NOT staying and how they should dismiss.***

Book Fair – 2025



St. Peter in Chains will proudly be hosting our **Annual Scholastic Book Fair in November 2025!** Our 'Fair Preview Days' will be held on November 14 & 17, followed by our 'Student Shopping Days' on November 18 & 19 and we will end with our GRAND EVENT on November 20 & 21. More details to come on all these exciting days. So mark your calendars – and start the countdown to **The Best. Day. Ever!**

Happy Reading,
Mrs. Rachel Woods
Librarian

HIGH SCHOOL PLACEMENT TEST – Nov. 22 (8th Graders)

If your 8th grader is considering going to a Catholic high school next year, they must take the HSPT in November. Badin HS is giving the test or you can sign up at one of the high schools in the area. You can use the following link to sign up - [HSPT Registration Link](#) sign up BY November 19.

****8th Grade Release of Records form was emailed to all 8th families this week. Please complete the forms and return to school ASAP so we can gather records for the schools you are interested in****

OPERATION PUMPKIN – 2025

THIS WEEKEND!!!

Operation Pumpkin will be in downtown Hamilton again this year, October 10-12. We have several SPS families who were the originators of this event and continue to be on the planning committee every year. It's an amazing community event, so be sure to make plans to attend!! It's always a GREAT time and you're always bound to run into several SPS families there enjoying themselves as well.

Also, if you feel like volunteering or need service hours, use this link to sign up - [Our Festival Volunteers](#)

CONFIRMATION DATES – 25/26

For those students in Grade 8, who are preparing for Confirmation this spring, please add the following important dates to your calendar:

- September 21 – Parent Meeting – 11AM at St. Peter's Church
- November 8 – Confirmation Retreat – held in the QOP cafeteria from 3-10 PM.
- February 23 – Confirmation Rehearsal - 7PM at St. Joe's
- February 24 – Confirmation Mass – 7 PM at St. Joe's

see your confirmation folder from the Parent meeting for other turn in dates for forms

Little Rams Candy Crawl –

Sunday, October 19 from 4-6 PM – children ages 12 and under. Come dressed in your favorite costume and collect sweet treats as you trick-or-treat through the decorated halls. ALL children should be accompanied by an adult and remain with that adult throughout the event. Please RSVP at this link – [Little Rams Candy Crawl RSVP](#)

ST. PETER IN CHAINS BLANKETS



Take a look at these beautiful St. Peter in Chains blankets!

These custom-made, full-color blankets are soft and cozy, perfect for wrapping up on the couch or adding warmth to the bed. Would make a GREAT birthday, Christmas, graduation, or a "just because" gift.

The blankets come in two sizes - Large 50" x 60" OR Extra Large 60" x 70". (For reference, a typical full size bed is approximately 54" x 75".)

Large - \$25

Extra Large - \$35

[SPS Blanket Order LINK](#)

****IF THIS IS A GIFT, PLEASE MARK "YES" AFTER YOUR SELECTION AND WE WILL HOLD IN THE OFFICE AND NOTIFY WHEN YOU CAN COME PICK IT UP. ****

We have a limited supply and will sell them until we run out. If you have any questions, please contact the school office at (513) 863-0685.

SPIRIT WEAR ITEMS:

Be sure to get all your St. Peter's merch at our ONLY approved Spirit Wear vendor -- Promotions, Etc. The link to their site is [PROMOTIONS, ETC. SPIRIT WEAR LINK](#)

Spirit Wear tops can be worn on most Fridays with IN uniform bottoms.

Questions, please contact the office.

Items sent home today:

- Walkathon station assignments were sent home last week to those specific people who signed up and are Safe Parish certified/back ground checked. **ONLY people who have a station assignment and receive a form are permitted to be on campus that day.**
- Cub Scout Flyer is attached

