



# SAINT PETER

## CATHOLIC PARISH ✚ SCHOOL

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Since the founding of St. Peter Catholic School in 1866, our parish has been strongly committed to the value and importance of a thoroughly Catholic education. We have cared for this great gift of passing on our faith in Jesus Christ to the next generation. Our school has been, and continues to be, a place where all are invited to grow in Christian virtue, to deepen their knowledge and love of God, and to lay the foundations for a life of intellectual accomplishment. Our mission statement captures this purpose well:

*St. Peter Catholic School is dedicated to continuing the strong tradition of Catholic education, academic excellence, and the formation of morals, values, and the Faith, in a Christ-centered community.*

St. Peter Catholic School is located just outside of Madison, in Middleton, WI. Our average enrollment is seventy to eighty students in grades pre-kindergarten through fifth grade. We offer a traditional curriculum, and an optional afterschool program. We have recently added a part-time Resource Teacher to our faculty, who develops and implements individualized educational plans for select students.

We are seeking a principal to carry on this critical mission in our parish. We have a very strong relationship with our families, always considering parents as the primary educators of their children. Our families consider themselves part of an intentional community that extends beyond the school and parish campus. We are authentically Catholic, and this is the thread that connects everything in our daily school life. During the day, students regularly pray and participate in traditional Catholic devotions, including before school, during class, before and after lunch and recess, and before dismissal. Our school students attend Mass three days per week, as the Mass is the foundational encounter we have with our Lord, Jesus Christ. We strive to foster devotion, reverence, faith and love for God, charity for our neighbor, and to form students to be future saints. We foster virtue in and out of the classroom and have a 'Virtue of the Month' that our students learn about and put into practice. Our staff, students, and families are invited and encouraged to constantly deepen their knowledge and love of God.

A successful candidate will possess a passion for authentically Catholic education and formation in the Christian life, for oneself and others. They will be a leader among the staff and a witness of striving to live as a close disciple of Jesus Christ. They should possess expertise in academic curriculum and instruction, commitment to strong academic formation, excellent communication skills, a master's degree in educational leadership or a related field, and should be a faithful, practicing Catholic in good standing. A well-qualified candidate will demonstrate experience as a proven school leader with organizational vision and excellent relational and supervisory skills.

Interested candidates can apply through the online WECAN system at <https://wecan.education.wisc.edu/#/> where you can create a free account and submit your application. Search for the employer 'Diocese of Madison'. Resume and cover letter should be sent to [info@ashtoncatholic.org](mailto:info@ashtoncatholic.org) and should be submitted no later than Wednesday, March 17<sup>th</sup>, 2021. For more information about St. Peter Catholic School, please visit: [www.ashtoncatholic.org/school](http://www.ashtoncatholic.org/school)

In the Peace of Christ,

Rev. Fr. Chris Gernetzke  
Pastor, St. Peter Catholic Parish and School