



St. Vincent de Paul Parish

November 27, 2016
First Sunday of Advent

Life In Our Community

School Age Faith Formation:
St. Vincent de Paul site classes are Sundays at 10:45am, and on Wednesdays at 5pm at St. Patrick.

Men's Scripture Sharing: Saturday 8:30am in the Round Table Room

Praise & Worship: Tuesday 7pm, St. Vincent site

Food Pantry: Tues. & Thurs. by appt.

Knights of Columbus: Second Wednesday, 7:30pm in the multipurpose room off the parish hall

Bulletin Mail List: Call us to have a bulletin mailed or e-mailed.

Televised Mass: View a taped Mass on Cable channel 191 on Wed. 11am & 4pm, Friday 9am, or Sat. 10:50am.

Adult Faith Formation at St. Vincent: Sundays at 10:45. New topic starts Dec. 4.

Bulletin Deadline: Wednesday, 3:00pm

Sacramental Information

Baptism of an infant: Contact the parish office.

Adult Baptism/Confirmation (RCIA): Those interested meet with Dr. Green at 4pm on the first and third Thursdays of each month.

Elementary Sacramental Preparation: Enrollment in parish faith formation program required. Call the office to register

Reconciliation: St. Vincent site. Saturdays at 4pm for individual confessions. Advent Communal Service at 1pm on Dec. 11

Marriage: Contact parish office no less than six months prior to wedding date.

Sacrament of Anointing of Sick: Please contact us before a surgery, during hospitalization or if experiencing a change in health.

Hospitalized/Homebound Ministry: Please call the office and we will arrange for Eucharist.

Funerals: Please contact us before or after contacting the funeral home.

Mass
Saturday 4:30pm
Sunday 9:30am

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Shepherd

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WELCOME!

No matter what your present status in the Catholic Church; No matter what your current family or marital situation; No matter what your past or present religious affiliation; No matter what your personal history, age, background, race or color; No matter what your self-image or esteem; You are invited, welcomed, accepted, loved and respected at St. Vincent de Paul Parish.



St. Patrick, Irishtown
7631 W. North Gratiot Co. Line
Church for Occasional Use



St. Vincent de Paul, Shepherd
168 E. Wright Ave.
Parish Church

NOVEMBER 27, 2016

Parish Mission Statement

St. Vincent de Paul Parish is a Christian community dedicated to proclaiming the Gospel of Jesus Christ as taught by the Roman Catholic Church through word, sacrament, and service.

Parish Vision Statement

St. Vincent de Paul Parish is called by its Lord and Savior Jesus Christ to serve his people through living the message of the Gospel, giving service to the poor, comforting the suffering, and providing strength through the Sacraments of the Roman Catholic Church. We strive always to meet the needs of the broader community through a variety of ministries which reach out through our parish family to those with whom we live, work, and play. As disciples of Jesus Christ, we seek to establish and maintain a lifelong and vital relationship with him so as to grow each day in knowing, loving, and serving the Lord and one another.

PARISH COUNCIL

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"In his 1995 encyclical *Evangelization Vitae*, St. John Paul II warned that when our idea of freedom becomes distorted to mean absolute autonomy, we find ourselves on 'the shifting sands of complete relativism.'"

"The Heart of Public Witness" (Editorial)
Columbia Magazine, Nov. 2016

Please hold in Prayer: Mary Esther Ramon, Virginia Lopez, Binkowski Family, Dick Coughlin, and the sick and homebound.

Our Schedule for Advent and Christmas

Holy Day Mass (Immaculate Conception)	Dec. 8	7:00pm
Reconciliation Service	Dec. 11	1:00pm
Rel. Ed. Advent Celebration (During Mass, lunch after)	Dec. 18	9:30am
Christmas Eve Mass	Dec. 24	5:00pm
Christmas Day Mass	Dec. 25	10:30am
Mass -Mary, Mother of God	Dec. 31	4:30pm
Mass-Mary, Mother of God	Jan. 1	9:30am



Angel Tree

Please take a minute and look at the tags on the Angel Tree in the main entry. If you see a wish that you can fulfill, take the tag and return it with the gift by Dec. 17.

Prayer Opportunities

Monday, November 29

Is 4:2-6 / Mt 8:5-11
 St. Vincent: 8:30am Word & Communion Service

Tuesday, November 29

Is 11:1-10 / Lk 10:21-24
 St. Vincent: 7:00pm Praise & Worship

Wednesday, November 30

Rom 10:9-18 / Mt 4:18-22
 St. Vincent: 8:30am Word & Communion Service
 St. Patrick: 6:00pm Word & Communion Service

Thursday, December 1

Is 26:1-6 / Mt 7:21, 24-27

Friday, December 2

Is 29:17-24 / Mt 9:27-31

Saturday, December 3

Is 30:19-21, 23-26 / Mt 9:35—10:1, 5a, 6-8
 St. Vincent: 4:30pm Mass

Sunday, December 4

Second Sunday of Advent
 Is 11:1-10 / Rom 15:4-9 / Mt 3:1-12
 St. Vincent: 9:30am Mass

Update for this year

Target: \$44,221
 Pledges + Bake Sale: \$40,896
 Remaining: \$3,325
 Participation: 64%



Many thanks to the our local Knights of Columbus Council for their generous \$500 Pledge Challenge! Let's rise to the challenge together!

Bake Sale for CSA Debt \$ 867.00
Thanks to all who helped!

Our Gifts to the Lord November 20, 2016

St. Leo Cemetery	\$	120.00
Improvement Fund	\$	23.00
Christmas Flowers	\$	150.00
Disaster Relief	\$	50.00
Campaign for Human Development	\$	225.00

	Year to Date	Past Week
Sunday Collection	\$ 95,946.63	\$ 4,599.00
Amount Budgeted	\$ 105,000.00	\$ 5,000.00

Diocese & Bishop's News & Notes

www.saginaw.org

Give Thanks

The retirement fund that covers the priests of our Diocese needs your financial support. There are 50 retired priests of our Diocese and many continue to provide regular parish ministry. Much of their retirement fund is supported directly by your generosity.

Please consider making a donation to the Saginaw Priest's Retirement Plan. Donations can be sent to:
 Diocese of Saginaw Priests' Retirement Assoc.
 5800 Weiss St., Saginaw MI 48603

Human Trafficking

A meeting to bring people together who share the goal of ending human trafficking will be held Wed., Dec. 7, 6-8pm at the Center for Ministry, 5802 Weiss St., Saginaw. For info or to RSVP: Terri at 989-797-6650 or tgrierson@dioceseofsaginaw.org.

RCIA: RCIA meets at 4:00pm on the first and third Thursdays of every month. (Exception Dec. 1, 3:30)

Children's Sacramental Prep: Thurs, Dec. 1, 6pm
 In St. Vincent de Paul Church.

Evangelization Meeting: Thurs., Dec. 1, 6:30pm

Adult Faith Formation

On December 4 a new adult Faith Formation class will begin after Sunday Mass. The theme is *Living Out Your Faith in your Family Life*. Family can mean everyone currently living in your household and/or extended family. This will be an informal discussion format led by various people from the parish. Come and join us!

Peace,

Mary

St. Joseph the Worker, Beal City Schedule

Holy Day Mass	Dec. 8	8am, 7pm
Christmas Eve	Dec. 24	5:00pm
Christmas Day	Dec. 25	10:30am
Holy Day-Eve	Dec. 31	5:00pm
Holy Day	Jan. 1	8:30am 10:30am

(Private Reconciliation. Please call for times. 989-644-2041)

St. Mary University Parish Schedule

Holy Day Vigil	Dec. 7	9:00pm
Holy Day Mass	Dec. 8	8am, 7pm
Christmas Eve	Dec. 24	9:00pm
Christmas Day	Dec. 25	10:15am
Holy Day Eve	Dec. 31	5:00pm
Holy Day	Jan. 1	10:15am

(Private Reconciliation. Please call for times. 989-773-3931)

Retirement Fund for Religious

As this collection rolls around (Dec. 3 & 4), you may be weary of extra collections. Please know that your support of the Retirement Fund for Religious makes a difference in the lives of roughly 33,000 senior sisters, brothers, and religious order priests.

In addition to the direct care of religious, this fund also educates religious communities to plan more effectively for retirement. In fact, of those who participated in the educational program, 81% of participants reduced their retirement shortfalls.

Despite this progress, many religious communities struggle to provide a modest, safe retirement for aging members. Eldercare costs continue to rise while the number of religious requiring care grows.

These religious have offered their lives in service to our Church and world, ministering in schools, hospital, parishes and social service agencies. They still continue to serve by offering prayer. Please give to those who have given a lifetime. Envelopes are in our entries.



