



St. Vincent de Paul Parish

December 18, 2016

Fourth Sunday of Advent

Mass
Saturday 4:30pm
Sunday 9:30am

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Shepherd

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Life In Our Community

School Age Faith Formation:
Classes resume in January. 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 January 8.

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.

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

DECEMBER 18, 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.

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K of C Corner

"In his homily on the dignity of human life Pope John Paul II stated, 'I do not hesitate to proclaim before you and before the world that all human life — from the moment of conception and through all subsequent stages — is sacred, because human life is created in the image and likeness of God.'"

Editorial. "Our Common Humanity"
 Columbia Magazine, Dec. 2016

Please hold in Prayer: Carrie Wieferich, Grayson Blackman, Bessie Barnes, Gordon Hohlbein, Doug Sharrar, Virginia Lopez, Mary Esther Ramon, Binkowski Family, Dick Coughlin, the family of Charles Purtill, and the sick and homebound. May perpetual light shine upon Mr. Purtill.

Our Schedule for Christmas and January 1

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

Prayer Opportunities

Monday, December 19

Jgs 13:2-7, 24-25a / Lk 1:5-25

St. Vincent: 8:30am Word & Communion Service

Tuesday, December 20

Is 7:10-14 / Lk 1:26-38

St. Vincent: 7:00pm Praise & Worship

Wednesday, December 21

Sg 2:8-14 or Zep 3:14-18a / Lk 1:39-45

St. Vincent: 8:30am Word & Communion Service

St. Patrick: 6:00pm Word & Communion Service

Thursday, December 22

1 Sm 1:24-28 / Lk 1:46-56

Friday, December 23

Mal 3:1-4, 23-24 / Lk 1:57-66

Saturday, December 24

Christmas Eve

Morning Readings: 2 Sm 7:1-5, 8b-12, 14a, 16

Lk 1:57-79

St. Vincent: 5:00pm Mass

Sunday, December 25

Christmas: The Nativity of the Lord

Is 50:7-10 / Heb 1:1-6 / Jn 1:1-18

St. Vincent: 10:30am Mass

Update for this year

Target: \$44,221

Pledges/Fundraising: \$43,319

Remaining Due: \$912



Included in the figures above are proceeds from the 50/50 raffle. Thanks to Sue McQueen and Theresa Dell for their tenacity in making the raffle such a huge success! The generous winner (Jackie Loomis) donated her prize back to us making the raffle profit \$750! Thank you, Jackie!

Our Gifts to the Lord

December 11, 2016

St. Patrick Cemetery	\$	35.00
Improvement Fund	\$	193.00
Christmas Flowers	\$	95.00
Food Pantry	\$	95.00
Campaign for Human Development	\$	25.00
Religious Retirement	\$	120.00
St. Patrick Utilities	\$	160.00
Christmas Offering	\$	25.00

	Year to Date	Past Week
Sunday Collection	\$ 108,542.21	\$ 4,071.58
Amount Budgeted	\$ 120,000.00	\$ 5,000.00

Diocese & Bishop's News & Notes

www.saginaw.org

Give Thanks

The retirement fund for priests of our Diocese needs your help. We have 50 retired priests and many still provide regular parish ministry. Much of their retirement fund is supported by your generosity.

Please consider making a donation to the Saginaw Priest's Retirement Plan. Donations can be sent to:

Saginaw Diocese Priests' Retirement Assoc.
5800 Weiss St., Saginaw MI 48603

Diocesan Women's Meeting

The monthly Catholic Women's Fellowship meets January 4th, 2017 from 6:00 - 8:30 p.m. at the Center for Ministry, 5802 Weiss Rd., Saginaw. Topic: **Ongoing Journey and Conversation: Reflections on Sacred Scripture in Daily Life - Dr Toby Long.** Meetings will continue on the first Wednesday of the month through May. For more information: www.womensfellowship.org

Diocesan Help Wanted

A position has been posted for a full time office assistant in the Diocesan Office of Christian Service. To apply you should be fluent in Spanish. The deadline for application is December 21, 2016. Details for the position can be viewed at <http://www.saginaw.org/job-openings/jobs.html>.

Parish Offices Closed

Offices will be closed on Dec. 23, 26, 29 & 30.

Schedules

New schedules for Lectors, Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Eucharist, Altar Servers, and Collection Counters are in the main lobby of St. Vincent Church. Please pick yours up.

The weekends of Christmas and the January 1 Holy Day for Mary, the Mother of God are not on your schedules. If you would like to serve for these weekends there is a sign-up sheet on the bulletin board in the hallway by the sacristy.

Angel Tree

Thank you to all our shoppers and volunteers who arranged Christmas happiness for those who needed assistance. Your generosity should warm your hearts as much as the hearts of the recipients!

Adult Faith Formation

A new adult Faith Formation class starts Jan. 8 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 our parish.

Come and join us!

Peace,

Mary

St. Joseph the Worker, Beal City Schedule

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

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)

RCIA: RCIA meets at 4:00pm on the first and third Thursdays of every month.

Contribution Reminders

If you are giving a donation for a specific fund and are using a regular Sunday envelope, please write the purpose above your name on the envelope. If the envelope doesn't specify where the donation is to go, then it goes into the general fund. We'd like to honor your wishes! Thanks.

Our December books will close the first week in January. If you would like to make an end of the year gift for 2016 tax purposes, please have it into the office by December 30. Later gifts will be credited to your 2017 contribution statements.

Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion

If you would like to become a Minister of the Eucharist you must attend a training session. Two more have been scheduled by the diocese. You could attend Sunday, Jan. 15, 2:00-3:30pm at Corpus Christi Parish Church, 1008 S. Wenona St., Bay City or on Saturday, Jan. 21, 1:00-2:30pm at St. John Paul II Parish Church, 469 Shattuck Rd., Saginaw.

