



St. Vincent de Paul Parish

March 19, 2017

The Third Sunday of Lent

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.

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. Currently open discussion.

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 for additional information.

Reconciliation: St. Vincent site. During Lent-Sat., 3:30-4:15pm/Before Sunday Mass until 9:15am/ March 30, 6:00-8:00pm .

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 to 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

MARCH 19, 2017

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 Garage Sale

As Spring arrives, please keep in mind the annual K of C Garage Sale as you begin your spring cleaning. Most any unwanted, usable donated items will be converted to funds to benefit charitable needs in our community.

Please hold in Prayer: Jack Meyer, Mike Laurent, R.E., Ann McCloy, Bob Fleming, Ella Kenny, Gordon Hohlbein, Virginia Lopez, Dick Coughlin, the Binkowski Family, and the sick and homebound.

Remembering Red

Flowers for the altar this weekend were donated in loving memory of Red Nartker by his family

Year End Statements

Contribution statements are printed on request. Please call the office for yours.

RCIA: First and third Thursdays of every month.

Confessions During Lent

During Lent, Fr. Fred will hear Confessions on Saturdays from 3:30-4:15, and before Sunday Mass till 9:15. There will also be an evening for private Confessions at our St. Vincent site on March 30, 6-8pm.

We are also joining with Nativity of the Lord Parish, Mt. St. Joseph Church site in St. Louis, for a communal reconciliation with individual confession and absolution on Thursday, March 23 at 6:30pm. If you would like to arrive early you are invited to a light meal at 5:30pm with a short presentation on confession/penance following.

Cemetery Clean Up

Cemetery spring clean up goes to April 15. There is a dumpster at St. Vincent Cemetery for your wreaths, grave blankets, flowers, etc. At St. Leo Cemetery you may leave those items by the blue barrel.

Prayer Opportunities

Monday, March 20

2 Sm 7:4-5a, 12-14a, 16 / Rom 4:13, 16-18, 22
Mt 1:16, 18-21, 24a or Lk 2:41-51a
St. Vincent: 8:30am Word & Communion Service

Tuesday, March 21

Dn 3:25, 34-43 / Mt 18:21-35
St. Vincent: 7:00pm Praise & Worship

Wednesday, March 22

Dt 4:1, 5-9 / Mt 5:17-19
St. Vincent: 8:30am Word & Communion Service
St. Patrick: 6:00pm Word & Communion

Thursday, March 23

Jer 7:23-28 / Lk 11:14-23

Friday, March 24

Hos 14:2-10 / Mk 12:28-34
St. Vincent: 3:30pm Stations of the Cross

Saturday, March 25

Is 7:10-14; 8:10 / Heb 10:4-10 / Lk 1:26-38
St. Vincent: 4:30pm Mass

Sunday, March 26

Fourth Sunday of Lent
1 Sm 16:1b, 6-7, 10-13a / Eph 5:8-14 / Jn 9:1-41
St. Vincent: 9:30am Mass
St. Patrick: 4:00pm Stations of the Cross

Our Gifts to the Lord

March 12, 2017

St. Leo Cemetery	\$	30.00
St. Patrick Cemetery	\$	45.00
Improvement Fund	\$	213.00
Easter Flowers	\$	25.00
Catholic Relief Services	\$	25.00
St. Patrick Utilities	\$	20.00

Regular Collection

	<u>Last Week</u>	<u>Year to Date</u>
March 12	\$ 4,199.75	\$173,005.81
Amount Budgeted	\$ 5,000.00	\$ 185,000.00

Diocese & Bishop's News & Notes

www.saginaw.org

Searching for Something?

Are you volunteering, but not really ministering? Lay Ministry Formation may be for you. It provides a foundation from which to minister and a community to minister with. Applications accepted until May 15 for the program beginning this Sept. It's a four-year experience to expand your knowledge of Scripture and Catholic theology, deepen your relationship with God, and fulfill your baptismal call by serving others. Contact Kellie Deming, Coordinator of Lay Ministry, 989-797-6609 or email her at kdeming@dioceseofsaginaw.org

Soup on Saturdays at our St. Vincent Site

Lenten soup suppers are on Saturdays, 5:30-7:00pm. Proceeds benefit our Food Pantry.

March 3, \$219 was raised for the Pantry (last week's bulletin incorrectly reported \$159), and on March 10, \$312 was raised. Door prize winners March 3 were Lili Catrell and Jan Hetherington. March 10 winners were Matt and Xavier Hoppe.

Smorgasbord!

Shepherd United Methodist Church will resume its monthly Swiss Steak and baked chicken dinners on Thursday, March 23, 5-6:30pm.

Alpha

If you have signed up for Alpha and know that you will have to miss a session, please let us know as soon as possible. We can adjust the number of dinners ordered if we know in advance.

Fish Fry Friday's During Lent

Support St. Michael School, Remus

Fridays 4:30-7:00pm. Seniors \$10 / Adults \$11 / Children 6-12 \$5. Voted People's Choice Best Fish Fry in Mecosta County.

Euchre! Our St. Patrick's site will host a Euchre card game on Saturday, April 8th at 6:30pm. Please bring a snack. Everyone is welcome.

Children's Sacramental Preparation Program

Remember to support our 13 young parishioners preparing to receive the sacraments of Confirmation and Holy Eucharist. Confirmation is scheduled for Saturday, April 22 at Nativity of the Lord Parish (St. Mary Church), Alma. Holy Eucharist will be Sunday, May 7 at our St. Vincent de Paul site.

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| Allison Burhans | William McDonald |
| Emily Burhans | Madison Moeggenborg |
| Noah Clevenger | Meghan Moeggenborg |
| Blake Crawford | Michael Pung |
| Maddisen Fox | Kaylee Radtke |
| Jack Krafft | Emma Wiltse |
| | Kaden Yuncker |

The remaining sacramental preparation classes at our St. Vincent site (from 6-7pm) are April 13, 20 & 27, and May 4. There will be a retreat at Nativity of the Lord Parish, St. Mary Church, Alma, on Friday, April 21, 4-8pm.

Help Jesus in Disguise

March 25/26 Catholic Relief Services Collection

With your donation, you can

- Feed Jesus' hunger in suffering refugees (USCCB Dept. of Migration and Refugee Services).
- Give water to quench Jesus' thirst in the people of Syria and Niger (Catholic Relief Services).
- Offer legal assistance to Jesus in struggling immigrants (Catholic Legal Immigration Network, Inc.).
- Reach out to comfort Jesus' loneliness in isolated workers (USCCB Secretariat of Cultural Diversity in the Church).
- Advocate on behalf of Jesus to the poor and marginalized (USCCB Dept. of Justice, Peace and Human Development).
- Send aid to Jesus in the victims of natural disaster (the Holy Father's Relief Fund).

Praise and Worship at Our Lady of Hope Parish, at the St. Cecilia site, Clare, March 25, 6:00pm (following Mass) .Come praise our Father in song!

Parish Pastoral Council

Our parish has an opening for one person on our Pastoral Council. Please fill out this nomination form and return it to the office or drop it in the collection basket next week. You may nominate yourself or someone else you believe would make a good Council member. Council members must be practicing Catholics and registered members of the parish, participants in parish worship life (in attendance at weekend Mass at St. Vincent de Paul Church), and at least 18 years of age.

I nominate _____ for **Pastoral Council.**

