



# St. Vincent de Paul Parish

March 5, 2017

## The First 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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## 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*

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**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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**K of C Corner**

“...so we must remember that  
‘our struggle is not with flesh and blood’  
but with the powers of darkness,  
over which Christ is ever victorious. (cf Eph 6:12)”

“Conquer Evil With Good”  
Editorial, *Columbia Magazine*, Jan. 2017

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

**RCIA:** First and third Thursdays of every month.

**Pastoral Council Meeting:** Tues, March 7, 6:30pm

**Faith Formation Commission Meeting**

Tuesday, March 14, 6:30pm

**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 March 30, 6:00-8:00pm.

**Euchre!**

Our St. Patrick’s site will host a Euchre card game on Saturday, March 11 at 6:30pm. Please bring a snack. Everyone is welcome!

**Change the Clocks:** Daylight Savings Time begins Sunday, March 12.

**Mass Minister Schedules**

Please call the office if you have dates during April, May, and June when you prefer not to be scheduled as a Lector, Communion Minister, altar server or collection counter. Holy Thursday, Good Friday, and Easter weekend will not be on the schedule. There will be a sign-up sheet for those in church.

***Prayer Opportunities***

**Monday, March 6**

Lv 19:1-2, 11-18 / Mt 25:31-46  
St. Vincent: 8:30am Word & Communion Service

**Tuesday, March 7**

Is 55:10-11 / Mt 6:7-15  
St. Vincent: 7:00pm Praise & Worship

**Wednesday, March 8**

Jon 3:1-10 / Lk 11:29-32  
St. Vincent: 8:30am Word & Communion Service  
St. Patrick: 6:00pm Word & Communion

**Thursday, March 9**

Est C: 12, 14-16, 23-25 / Mt 7:7-12

**Friday, March 10**

Ez 18:21-28  
St. Vincent: 3:30pm Stations of the Cross

**Saturday, March 11**

Dt 26:16-19 / Mt 5:43-48  
St. Vincent: 4:30pm Mass

**Sunday, March 12**

Second Sunday of Lent  
Gn 12:1-4a / 2 Tm 1:8b-10 / Mt 17:1-9  
St. Vincent: 9:30am Mass  
St. Patrick: 4:00pm Stations of the Cross

***Our Gifts to the Lord  
February 26, 2017***

St. Leo Cemetery	\$	27.00
St. Patrick Cemetery	\$	55.00
Improvement Fund	\$	3.00
Food Pantry	\$	30.00
St. Patrick Utilities	\$	140.00

<b><u>Regular Collection</u></b>	<b><u>Last Week</u></b>	<b><u>Year to Date</u></b>
Feb. 5	\$ 3,262.00	\$163,390.31
<i>Amount Budgeted</i>	<i>\$ 5,000.00</i>	<i>\$ 175,000.00</i>

**Diocese & Bishop's News & Notes**

www.saginaw.org

A **Pastoral Care Training Series** will be presented to enhance this vital ministry.

This series will provide practical training and the establishment of boundaries, with an understanding of the differences between pastoral and social visits. Pastoral Care Visitors from all parishes are invited to attend the Pastoral Care 101 Workshop, on Wednesday, May 10, 9:00am to 4:00pm at the Center for Ministry, Saginaw. A registration fee of \$15 per person includes lunch and training materials. Those attending will be certified in:

- The Elements of the Visit and Prayer
- Rite of Distribution of Holy Communion to the Sick and Homebound
- Communication Skills and Listening with Heart
- Healthy Boundaries and Self Care
- Theology of Suffering and Faith

For more information or to register call Lori Becker, 989-797-6652. Registration deadline is April 25.

**Grief Recovery Series in Freeland**

This six week program helps you become aware of the process of grief and how it affects your life. Adults who have experienced a loss due to death three months ago or longer are welcome. The series begins March 13, 2017 at 6pm at St. Agnes Catholic Church. To register or for more information contact Lori Becker, 989-797-6652, or email her at lbecker@dioceseofsaginaw.org.

**Marriage Enrichment Workshop**

Strengthen marriage bonds by acquiring skills to improve communication, resolve conflicts, and understand your spouse's unique personality. This workshop is Sat., May 5, 9am-5:30pm at the Center for Ministry, Saginaw. Cost of \$85 includes an online assessment (taken before the workshop), lunch and materials. Registration deadline is Apr. 17. For information or to register, contact Linda, 989-797-6660 or lmilco@dioceseofsaginaw.org

**Vocations Day for Tenth Grade Students**

Sophomores are invited to Vocations Day at the Center for Ministry, Saginaw, on Friday, March 17, 9am-3pm. Students will learn what it means to be called by God how to hear and respond. They will hear about the single and married life, religious life, and priesthood. Speakers representing all vocations will be present, and Bishop Cistone will celebrate Mass. Lunch is provided at no charge. The registration deadline is March 9. Contact Pat ,989-797-6654 or ppreston@dioceseofsaginaw.org to register. For information, email Fr. Andy Booms at frandyb@gmail.com.

**Youth News**

The Youth Ministry Team provided goodie bags for all of the 6th grade students in Shepherd Middle School. The bags were for use at 6th grade camp the week of Feb. 27th. The camp leaders requested personal care items such as lip balm, tissues, hand sanitizer, etc. We also included a wrist band with word "believe" on it, and a small card with the words "Everything is possible to one who has faith."

The school was very pleased by our offer to do this and stated no one else has ever offered to help in this way.

The Youth Ministry Team is reaching out to all the youth of the parish and to the youth of the community at large.

In April we will have several opportunities for our parish youth to participate in some special activities. More information to follow.

Peace.

*Mary*

**Soup on Saturdays at our St. Vincent Site**

Lenten soup suppers are on Saturdays, 5:30-7pm. Weekly needs: soup, lettuce and dressings, crackers and bread or rolls, and desserts. Call Joyce, 828-5170, if you can donate. Bowls handcrafted by a local artist will be available for you to purchase. Proceeds benefit our Food Pantry.

**Need 2016's Contribution Statement for Taxes?**

Please call the office and yours will be mailed.

**Part-time Maintenance Person**

**St. Mary University Parish** needs a part-time person (approximately ten hours per week) for general handy-man duties. Applications are available at the parish office, 11am-4pm. Submit the application and resume by noon on **March 16, 2017** to:

Fr. T.J. Fleming and Search Committee  
1405 S. Washington St., Mt. Pleasant, MI 48858

**Woodland Hospice House—Volunteer Training**

Volunteers provide an important role in hospice care providing companionship to a person in the final months and weeks of their life, and offering support to family. Retirees are especially welcome.

Apply at [www.midmichigan.org/careers](http://www.midmichigan.org/careers). For additional information, call Jeanine Radosa at 989-633-1467 or email [Jeanine.Radosa@midmichigan.org](mailto:Jeanine.Radosa@midmichigan.org)  
Training will be at Woodland Hospice House, 2597 S. Meridian Rd., Mt. Pleasant, from 5:30-8:30pm on Monday, March 13, Wednesday, March 15, and Thursday, March 16.

