



# St. Vincent de Paul Parish

**September 25, 2016**  
**Twenty-sixth Sunday**  
**of Ordinary Time**

## Life In Our Community

*School Age Faith Formation:*  
Classes are at St. Vincent de Paul Sundays 10:45-11:45am; at St. Patrick Wednesdays 5-6pm .

*Men's Scripture Sharing:* Saturday 8:30am in the Round Table Room at St. Vincent

*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:* See inside for fall classes and discussion topics.

*Bulletin Deadline:* Wednesday, 3:00pm

## Sacramental Information

*Baptism of an infant:* Contact the parish office.

*Adult Baptism/Confirmation (RCIA):* Contact Jerry in the parish offices.

*Elementary Sacramental Preparation:* Enrollment in parish faith formation program required. See information in this bulletin.

*Reconciliation:* St. Vincent site. Saturdays at 4pm for individual confessions.

*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.

*Ministry to Hospitalized/Homebound:* 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 of Occasional Use*



St. Vincent de Paul, Shepherd  
168 E. Wright Ave.  
*Main Worship Site*

**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

Walter Ballauer Thomas Krafft  
 Jerry Degruise Sue McQueen  
 Kaye Hemerline Jake Moeggenborg  
 Sue Hohlbein Tom Moomey  
 Bev Kalmar Craig Shanteau  
 Don Kenny Helen Thrush

FINANCE COUNCIL

Bill Daniels  
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**K of C Corner**

“The spiritual works of mercy consist of instructing the ignorant, counseling the doubtful, admonishing sinners, bearing wrongs patiently, forgiving offenses, comforting the afflicted, and praying for the living and the dead.”  
 Editorial “A Culture of Mercy” Alton Pelouski, *Columbia Magazine*, 09/16

**K of C SPECIAL EVENT**

Fundraiser: Spaghetti Supper for Vocations & Seminarians including Steven Blaxton  
 Saturday, October 15, 4:30-7:00pm

**Please hold in Prayer:** Ryan, Emily, Carla Glowacki, Mike Lauret, Fr Noel Rudy, Fr Jules Spleet, Binkowski Family members, Betty Langlois, Dick Coughlin, Alice LaBonte, and the sick and homebound.

**Flowers For the Altar** this weekend were donated in loving memory of Peg Warner by her family: Bob, Barb, Chris & Jane Warner.

**12-Hour Scrapbooking/Craft Event**

Sat., Oct. 1, 9am to 9pm. St. Vincent Hall. \$40 registration (forms in church entries). Ample work space!. Light breakfast, lunch, dinner and snacks & beverages provided. Advice, activities, and supplies for purchase provided by The Purple Butterfly. Participants receive “goody bags”. Sponsored by Shepherd K of C. 50% of registration fee supports the Council’s community programs and outreach based on faith.

**Prayer Opportunities**

**Monday, September 26**

Jb 1:16-22 / Lk 9:46-50  
 St. Vincent: 8:30am Word & Communion Service

**Tuesday, September 27**

Jb 3:1-3, 11-17, 20-23 / Lk 9:51-56  
 St. Vincent: 7:00pm Praise & Worship

**Wednesday, September 28**

Jb 9:1-12, 14-16 / Lk 9:57-62  
 St. Vincent: 8:30am Word & Communion Service  
 St. Patrick: 6:00pm Word & Communion Service

**Thursday, September 29**

Dn 7:9-10, 13-14 or Rv 12:7-12a / Jn 1:47-51

**Friday, September 30**

Jb 38:1, 12-21; 40:3-5 / Lk 10:13-16

**Saturday, October 1**

Jb 42:1-3, 5-6, 12-17 / Lk 10:17-24  
 St. Vincent: 4:30pm Mass

**Sunday, October 2**

*Twenty-seventh Sunday* in Ordinary Time  
 Respect Life Sunday  
 Heb 1:2-3; 2:2-4 / 2 Tm 1:6-8, 13-14 / Lk 17:5-10  
 St. Vincent: 9:30am Mass

**Update for this year**

Target: \$44,221  
 Pledged: \$35,914  
 Remaining: \$8,307  
 Participation: 81%



**Why Give to CSA?**

Not for your own interest. Give for those you don't even know. Those who benefit from CSA will thank you for your generosity and you won't even be aware of it. Remember the words of Jesus, “Whatever you do for the least of my brothers and sisters, you do for me.”

***Our Gifts to the Lord***

**September 18, 2016**

St. Leo Cemetery	\$	50.00
St. Patrick Cemetery	\$	10.00
Improvement Fund	\$	13.00
Food Pantry	\$	70.00
St. Patrick Utilities	\$	121.00
Midweek Donations to Food Pantry	\$	975.00
<i>(Includes Cletus Moeggenberg Memorial)</i>		

	Year to Date	Past Week
Sunday Collection	\$ 53,058.81	\$ 4,636.00
Amount Budgeted	\$ 60,000.00	\$ 5,000.00

## TWENTY-SIXTH SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME

**Euchre** at our St. Patrick site, Saturday, Sept. 24th at 6:30pm. Please bring a snack. All welcome!

### **Input Sought**

Our parish has the eleven medallion stained glass window panels from the former St. Leo Church on display in the entries at our St. Vincent de Paul site. Your input is sought on how to incorporate them into St. Vincent Church to show unity.

Your ideas will be accepted until October 1. Drop them in the collection or at the parish office. If you'd like to discuss an idea with Jerry first, give him a call.

The final idea must be diocesan within liturgical guidelines. It may be a "tweaked" version of a submission, or it may incorporate components of several suggestions.

### **Free Hospital Bed**

Contact the parish office (828-5720) if you are in need of a hospital bed with mattress (motorized and the head and foot can be raised / safety rails that raise and lower). Make your own arrangements to transport.

### **SUNDAY, SEPT. 25. SHEPHERD CROPWALK**

Walk/rock/run to raise awareness and money for the hungry. 25% of the money raised stays in our community with 10% of that going to our Food Pantry. Registration is at 1:30pm at St. Vincent Parish Hall. The walk is at 2pm. Call Marcia 698-6806 for more info.

### **Gratiot County Churches Sponsor CAFE**

The first presentation in the **Catholic Adult Formation and Education** series is *Ways of Praying*. It is in Alma St. Mary's gym Sun., Oct. 2, 12:15-1pm. Dr. Dan Osborn and his wife LeAnne will speak about how to pray to encounter the Lord.

### **Be an Extraordinary Minister of Holy Communion**

Become certified by attending a session Wed., Sept. 28 St. Joseph Church, Beal City, 6:30-8:00pm (use back door of church). Registration is not required.

### **Annual Morey Senior Concert at CMU**

This free one hour presentation is Sunday, Sept. 25 at 2pm in CMU's Staples Concert Hall. Sponsored by the Morey Foundation. Call 989-774-3738 for info.

### **Job Opening: Part-Time Musician (19 hrs/wk)**

*St. Mary University Parish, CMU, Mt. Pleasant*  
This person will plan music for weekend and Holy Day Masses (and possibly a weekday Mass) and other worship services. This person will also work with student musicians and create a small choir. Skills include playing piano and organ, ability to train and work with cantors, and the ability to plan music according to the Liturgical calendar. Call 989-773-3931 for an application. Send it with a cover letter, resume, and references to Musician Search Committee, 1405 S. Washington St., Mt. Pleasant, MI 48858. Application deadline: 9-30-16.

### **Faith Formation: It's That Time Again!!**

Classes are 10:45-11:45am on Sundays at St. Vincent, and 5-6pm on Wednesdays at St. Patrick. (*Note: Attendance at regular Faith Formation class lays the foundation for Sacramental Prep and is mandatory.*)

All adults, young, older, and in between, those with children and those without children, are welcome to Adult Faith Formation.

Dr. Jerry Green will start adult sessions with a 6 week unit on topics people often have questions about.

What God is and is not	September 25
What the Bible is and is not	October 2
What the Sacraments are and are not	October 9
What the Church is and is not	October 16
What morality is and is not	October 23

Other adult topics will be announced later. There is no cost for classes or materials. Registration is helpful so that we can plan—but no one is ever turned away.

### **Another Adult Faith Opportunity!**

Monday Bible Study/Book Review will start September 26. A **morning** group will meet at 9:30 in the library in St. Vincent de Paul Church. An **evening** group will meet in the St. Vincent Room in the school at 7pm. (*Note: meetings are in different locations!*) All welcome. Both groups will discuss the book *Meeting Jesus in the Gospel*. Purchase your book in the parish office for \$5. Hope to see you at one of these!

### **Children's Sacramental Preparation Schedule**

All sessions will be at our St. Vincent site school building on Thursday evenings, 6-7pm. Registration forms for Reconciliation (the 1st of the 3 sacraments to be received) are in the parish office and the church.

Typically this is for students in the second grade or older. A parent should accompany the child to each class since parents play such an important role.

If you have questions or scheduling conflicts, please talk to me and we will work something out. The bishop's office will inform us of the Confirmation date and we'll share that information when we have it.

Class Schedule:

Oct. 6	Dec. 1	Feb. 16
Oct 20	Dec. 15	March <i>tba</i>
Nov. 3	Jan. 19	April <i>tba</i>
Nov. 17	Feb. 2	

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### **Understanding Mercy through Sacred Liturgy**

Fr. James Bessert will give be at Sacred Heart, Mt. Pleasant, Thursday, Sept. 29, 7-8:30pm with a power point presentation on how mercy presents itself most keenly through the Eucharist. He will use images, scripture, Mass texts and storytelling. You're invited!

