



St. Vincent de Paul Parish

**December 25, 2016
The Nativity of the Lord
and**

**January 1, 2017
Feast of Mary, the Mother of God**

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 for additional information.

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.

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

DECEMBER 25, 2016 and JANUARY 1, 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.

PARISH COUNCIL

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FINANCE COUNCIL

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Brent Moeggenborg
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Tish Mallory
Mary Lou Willoughby

K of C Corner

Remember the Reason for the Season Jesus Christ is born

Thank You is hardly enough to express our appreciation for your support with the charitable programs hosted by the K of Cs this past year.
God Bless All!

- *The Shepherd Knights of Columbus*

Please hold in Prayer: Grayson Blackman, Bes-sie Barnes, Gordon Hohlbein, Doug Sharrar, Virginia Lopez, Mary Esther Ramon, Binkowski Family, Dick Coughlin, the family of Carrie Wieferich, and the sick and homebound. May perpetual light shine up Carrie. Her funeral Mass was here Thursday, Dec. 22.

Year End Statements

Contribution statements will be printed on request in January. If you would like a statement please call the office.



Congratulations, Parish! We have reached our CSA goal and have about \$1500 wiggle room! That extra wiggle room is important because unexpected events happen in people's lives and they may not be able to pay their pledges. Please celebrate our success by honoring your pledge.

Prayer Opportunities

Monday, December 26

Acts 6:8-10; 7:54-59 / Mt 10:17-22
St. Vincent: 8:30am Word & Communion Service

Tuesday, December 27

1 Jn 1:1-4 / Jn 20:1a, 2-8
St. Vincent: 7:00pm Praise & Worship

Wednesday, December 28

1 Jn 1:5—2:2 / Mt 2:13-18
St. Vincent: 8:30am Word & Communion Service
St. Patrick: 6:00pm Word & Communion Service

Thursday, December 29

1 Jn 2:3-11 / Lk 2:22-35

Friday, December 30

Sir 3:2-6, 12-14 or Col 3:12-21 / Mt 2:13-15, 19-23

Saturday, December 31

1 Jn 2:18-21 / Jn 1:1-18
St. Vincent: 4:30pm Mass

Sunday, January 1

Feast of Mary, the Mother of God
Nm 6:22-27 / Gal 4:4-7 / Lk 2:16-21
St. Vincent: 9:30am Mass

Monday, January 2

1 Jn 2:22-28 / Jn 1:19-28
St. Vincent: 8:30am Word & Communion Service

Tuesday, January 3

1 Jn 2:29—3:6 / Jn 1:29-34
St. Vincent: 7:00pm Praise & Worship

Wednesday, January 4

1 Jn 3:7-10 / Jn 1:35-42
St. Vincent: 8:30am Word & Communion Service
St. Vincent: 9:00am Adoration
St. Patrick: 6:00pm Word & Communion Service

Thursday, January 5

1 Jn 3:11-21 / Jn 1:43-51

Friday, January 6

1 Jn 5:5-13 / Mk 1:7-11 or Lk 3:23-28

Saturday, January 7

1 Jn 5:14-21 / Jn 2:1-11
Morning Readings: 2 Sm 7:1-5, 8b-12, 14a, 16
Lk 1:57-79
St. Vincent: 4:30pm Mass

Sunday, January 8

Is 60:1-6 / Eph 3:2-3a, 5-6 / Mt 2:1-12
St. Vincent: 9:30am Mass

THE NATIVITY OF THE LORD and THE HOLY DAY FOR MARY, THE MOTHER OF GOD

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

Workshop for Wedding Music

The Diocesan Music Committee has planned workshops for all musicians who work with engaged couples to plan the music for their Catholic wedding within Mass and outside of Mass. Workshops will be held in January and will bring all musicians up to date on the new Order of Celebrating Matrimony which is mandatory in all Dioceses throughout the country beginning January 1.

For info and to register, email the Office of Liturgy at smeyers@dioceseofsaginaw.org or call 1-800-453-2081 and ask for the Office of Liturgy.

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

Our Gifts to the Lord December 18, 2016

St. Patrick Cemetery	\$	120.00
St. Leo Cemetery	\$	30.00
Improvement Fund	\$	105.00
Christmas Flowers	\$	11.00
Food Pantry	\$	35.00
Campaign for Human Development	\$	11.00
Religious Retirement	\$	91.00
St. Patrick Utilities	\$	40.00
Christmas Offering	\$	156.00

	Year to Date	Past Week
Sunday Collection	\$ 116,893.21	\$ 8,170.00
Amount Budgeted	\$ 125,000.00	\$ 5,000.00

Adult Faith Formation

Recently the children of the parish presented their Advent Program. We want to thank everyone who participated and supported us: Joshua, the choir, and Mary Moeggenborg for helping us make the music special; Joyce Feltman for being in charge of the kitchen so we could have our wonderful luncheon; and all of our parent helpers and teachers.

The children really enjoy doing something special for their church family. Your support is so important and makes it worthwhile. Thank You!
Peace,

Mary

St. Joseph the Worker, Beal City Schedule

Holy Day-Eve	Dec. 31	5:00pm
Holy Day	Jan. 1	8:30am
		10:30am

St. Mary University Parish Schedule

Holy Day Eve	Dec. 31	5:00pm
Holy Day	Jan. 1	10:15am

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 31. 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.

From the Staff at St. Vincent de Paul Parish

Merry Christmas and Best Wishes

For the Holiday Season & New Year!



