



Mass
Saturday 4:30pm
Sunday 9:30am

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St. Vincent de Paul Parish

March 25, 2018

Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord

Life In Our Community

School Age Faith Formation: Classes at St. Vincent de Paul are Sundays at 10:45am, and at St. Patrick on Wednesdays at 5pm.

Praise & Worship: On the 1st, 3rd, and 5th Tuesdays at 7pm at our St. Vincent site.

Food Pantry: Call the office Mon.-Thurs. between 10 & noon to set Fri. appointment. Food collection at Masses 1st weekend of each month.

K of C: 2nd Wed. of month. 7:30pm

Bulletin Mail or email list: call our office.

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: Whole Community Catechesis on the 1st Sun. of the month after 9:30am Mass. Discussion Group Mon., 9am, Church Library.

Bulletin Deadline: Wednesday, 3:00pm

Parish Hall Rental Bookings:

St. Patrick: Call Betty, 989-463-2503
St. Vincent: Call Theresa, 989-828-6003

Sacramental Information

Baptism of an infant:
Contact the parish office.

Adult Baptism/Confirmation (RCIA):
Program is running now. Call Deacon Jerry Green for information..

Elementary Sacramental Preparation: Enrollment in parish faith formation program required. Call the office for additional information.

Reconciliation: St. Vincent site. Saturdays at 4pm (except 3/31) for private Reconciliation.

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 or for a pastoral visit.

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
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Church for Occasional Use



St. Vincent de Paul, Shepherd
168 E. Wright Ave.
Parish Church

MARCH 25, 2018

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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Office Hours

Parish Office: Mon.-Thurs. 9am-4pm / Fri. 9am-1pm
Faith Formation Dir. Mary Moomey: Mon. 9am-1pm
Dr. Green: Please call for appointment

Community Prayer

Monday, March 26

Is 42:1-7 / Jn 12:1-11

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

Tuesday, March 27

Is 49:1-6 / Jn 13:21-33, 36-38

Wednesday, March 28

Is 50:4-9a / Mt 26:14-25

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

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

Holy Thursday, March 29

Ex 12:1-8, 11-14 / 1 Cor 11:23-26 / Jn 13:1-15

St. Vincent: 7:00pm Mass of the Lord's Supper

Good Friday, March 30

Is 52:13—53:12 / Heb 4:14-16; 5:7-9/ Jn 18:1—19:42

St. Vincent: 12:00pm Stations of the Cross

St. Vincent: 12:30pm Good Friday Service

Holy Saturday, March 31

Gn 1:1—2:2 / Ex 14:15—15:1 / Ez 36:16-17a, 18-28

Rom 6:3-11 / Mk 16:1-7

St. Vincent: 8:30pm Easter Vigil (No 4:30pm Mass)

Easter Sunday, April 1

Acts 10:34a, 37-43 / Col 3:1-4 / Jn 20:1-9 or Mk 16:1-7

St. Vincent: 9:30am Mass

K of C Corner



Standing at the threshold of Holy Week, let us take advantage of the opportunities afforded us to put aside the "digital tools" briefly and spend some quiet time with the Lord.

Please hold in Prayer: Ed Filhart, Anna Hoffman, Doug Sharrar, Deb P. Evelyn Trudell, Donna Meyer, Paulette Schieber, Binkowski Family, Jennifer Romero, Ella Kenny, R.E., those in homeless shelters, and the sick and homebound.

Represent Us at the Festival!

We hope to set up a table with information about our parish in the arts and crafts area during the Maple Syrup Festival. If you could volunteer a couple of hours we could have a visible and welcoming presence. If you sign up you'll be rewarded with a meal ticket! A sign-up sheet is in the main entry.

St. Patrick Church & Cemetery Yard Clean Up

Please lend a helping hand on Saturday, April 14. Clean up starts at 8:30am.

Who's Going to be 94 on March 27?

That's **Margaret Clevenger's** lucky day! Make it even better by sending a card to her at 8430 E. Pleasant Valley Rd., Shepherd 48883.

Holy Week Schedule

Mar. 29	Holy Thursday	7:00pm Mass
Mar. 30	Good Friday	12:00pm Dramatic Reading 12:30pm Service
Mar. 31	Holy Saturday	8:30pm Easter Vigil
April 1	Easter Sunday	9:30am Mass

Our Gifts to the Lord

March 18, 2017

Improvement Fund	\$	63.00
St. Leo Cemetery	\$	50.00
Catholic Relief Services	\$	195.00
St. Patrick Utilities	\$	50.00
St. Patrick Flooring	\$	100.00
Easter Flowers	\$	285.00
Evangelization	\$	50.00

Regular Collection

Collection Fiscal Year to Date

March 18	\$ 5,133.00	\$ 168,508.02
<i>Amount Budgeted</i>	<i>\$ 4,925.00</i>	<i>\$ 177,300.00</i>

PALM SUNDAY OF THE PASSION OF THE LORD

Diocese & Bishop's News & Notes

www.saginaw.org

Send cards of healing and support for Our Bishop:

Most Rev. Joseph Cistone, DD
5800 Weiss St., Saginaw, MI 48603

Prayer for Bishop Cistone

Father of Mercy and Love,
who watches over your creatures with unflinching care,
keep us in the safe embrace of your love.
With your strong right hand raise up your
servant Joseph, our shepherd,
and give him the strength of your own power.
Minister to him and heal his illness,
so that he may have from you the help he longs for.
We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen.

(adapted from Household Blessings and Prayers, USCCB 1968. Dist. by Saginaw Diocese.)

A Note From Deacon Steve

Hello everyone,

I've decided to take a little more time before ordination to the priesthood, so I won't be getting ordained in June this year. I'm not questioning whether or not to be a priest, I just need some extra time before ordination. I'll spend the next year serving at a parish within the diocese of Saginaw. Thank you all for your prayers and support. God Bless.

- Dcn. Steve Blaxton.

Easter Egg Hunt Scheduled!

Immediately after the Easter Sunday Mass there will be an Easter Egg Hunt on the north lawn of our St. Vincent de Paul campus. First the younger hunters will search the nearest portion of the yard, and after that the older hunters will search the farther portions.

Be sure to bring a bag or basket for your eggs, and bring boots in case we've had spring showers!

Our Easter egg hunters are quick as a bunny—so there is plenty of time for families to move into the hall for **breakfast and Community Catechesis**. Plan on both!

Collection for Catholic Relief Services

Helping Jesus in Disguise

Thank you for your generous support of the Catholic Relief Services Collection and for helping *Jesus in Disguise*. Your contributions will make a difference for the poor and marginalized around the world. If you missed the collection, it's not too late to give!

Encounter Lent Internationally Through Rice Bowl!

Encounter our Neighbors: We encounter Jesus this week in Jerusalem, a community he knew well. We prayerfully enter our own communities too, encountering those who are hungry and thirsty, those who need our help. How does our Lenten journey motivate us to serve those we meet in our daily lives? How can we help? We can fill our Rice Bowls. Visit crsricebowl.org to learn more.

A Living Portrayal of the Last Supper

"A Portrayal of the Last Supper" with music, song & theatrical performance



Our parish will host a presentation of the Last Supper by a community theater group on Sat., March 24 at 7pm in St. Vincent Church.

Evening of Reflection & Prayer: Wed., April 11, from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. at the Center for Ministry in Saginaw. BeFriendsers, grief facilitators, pastoral ministers and all who visit and take communion to the sick and homebound are invited to come for an evening of reflection and prayer, featuring special guest speakers; Harry Grether, local author of *Lessons from an Imperfect World* and Srs. Dianne and Laura from the Sisters of St. Clare. All are welcome! Presented by the Office of Christian Service. Registration fee is \$5. To register, please contact Maria Coss at mcoss@dioceseofsaginaw.org or 989-797-6646. Registration deadline is April 4, 2018.

Singles (mid-30s to 50s): Need a renewed sense of purpose? Register today for a REFLECT retreat at St. Francis Retreat Center, DeWitt, April 6-8. Cost: \$175 for meals and single room. Call (586) 770-1772, e-mail reflect.michigan@gmail.com, or visit www.ReflectRetreat.com for details.

New Schedule

The new schedule for Lectors, Communion Ministers, altar servers, collection counters, and Coffee Hour Hosts is ready for pick up in the main entry.



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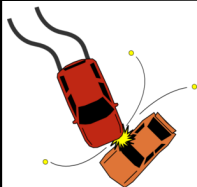
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