



St. Vincent de Paul Parish

March 3, 2019

The Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Life In Our Community

School Age Faith Formation: Classes meet at St. Vincent after Sunday Mass; at St. Patrick's 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 187 on Sun. at 2pm.

Adult Faith Formation: Wed. 9am, Bible Study in St. Vincent Church Library. *Hearts & Hands:* Call for information on this biweekly craft and social group. Book discussion group, Wed. 7-8pm

Bulletin Deadline: Wed. at noon

Parish Hall Rental Bookings:
St. Patrick: Call Betty, 989-463-2503
St. Vincent: Call the parish office

Sacramental Information

Baptism of an infant:
Contact the parish office.

Adult Baptism/Confirmation (RCIA):
Classes resume this fall. Call the parish to be on the class list.

Elementary Sacramental Preparation:
Enrollment in parish faith formation program required. Call Mary Moomey in our parish office for more information.

Reconciliation: St. Vincent site. Saturdays at 4pm 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.

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.



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

MARCH 3, 2019

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 Pastoral Council

Walter Ballauer
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Office Hours

Parish Office: Mon.-Thurs. 9am-4pm / Fri. 9am-1pm
(Joyce: Mon., Wed., Thurs. / Sue: Tues. & Fri.)
Faith Formation Dir. Mary Moomey: Tues. 10am-1pm
Deacon Todd: Please call for appointment

Community Prayer

Monday, March 4

Sir 17:20-24 / Mk 10:17-27

Tuesday, March 5

Sir 35:1-12 / Mk 10:28-31

St. Vincent: 7:00pm Praise & Worship

Parish Pastoral Council Meeting: 6:30pm

Wednesday, March 6

Ash Wednesday

Jl 2:12-18 / 2 Cor 5:20—6:2 / Mt 6:1-6, 16-18

St. Vincent: 8:30am Mass with Ashes

St. Patrick: 6:00pm Word & Communion w/ Ashes

Thursday, March 7

Dt 30:15-20 / Lk 9:22-25

Friday, March 8

Is 58:1-9a / Mt 9:14-15

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

Saturday, March 9

Is 58:9b-14 / Lk 5:27-32

St. Vincent: 4:00pm Rosary

St. Vincent: 4:30pm Mass

Sunday, March 10

First Sunday of Lent

Dt 26:4-10 / Rom 10:8-13 / Lk 4:1-13

St. Vincent: 9:00am Rosary

St. Vincent: 9:30am Mass

K of C Corner

(continued from last week)

“...while life is a continuous process, fertilization is ‘a critical landmark’ at which ‘a new, genetically distinct human organism is formed’ (2000).

“Conception or fertilization is the union of a human egg and sperm, resulting in a zygote. Though sometimes called a ‘fertilized egg’, it is no longer an egg, but a single-cell human embryo. This is how every person’s life begins.”

“Unique, From Day One”

by David Prentice & Tara Sander Lee
Columbia Magazine, January 2019

Please hold in Prayer:

Kim Craven, Anna Hoffman, Bonnie Skalitsky, Jim Platt, Jim Langlois, Tom Krafft, Frank Lapinski, De-
lores Miller, Glen Smith, Binkowski Family, and the
sick and homebound.

Tax Season is Coming!

For a record of your contributions please call.

Book Study

The Wednesday evening book study group will **NOT** meet on Ash Wednesday. Weather permitting, they will resume on March 13.

Parish Pastoral Council Meeting

Tuesday, March 5, 6:30pm

Lenten Soup Suppers

There is a sign up sheet in the main entry for Soup Suppers after the Saturday 4:30pm Masses on March 9, March 23, March 30, and April 6. Please check your calendar and see if you can help by providing soup (2 gallons) or cookies (2 dozen). Your help on this Lenten project and community builder will be appreciated!

Our Gifts to the Lord

February 24

Building Improvement	\$	56.00
St. Leo Cemetery	\$	60.00
St. Patrick Cemetery	\$	100.00
St. Patrick Utilities	\$	50.00
Food Pantry	\$	10.00
Evangelization	\$	85.00

Regular Collection

Collection

Year to Date

February 24	\$ 4,207.50	\$ 168,426.93
Weekly Budget	\$ 4,875.00	\$ 170,385.00

Catholic Grief Recovery Series at Our Parish

The series is a six week program to help you become aware of the process of grief and how it affects you. Adults who have experienced loss due to death three months ago or longer are welcome to attend.

St. Vincent de Paul Church will offer this recovery series beginning with an informational session Monday, March 4, 4:30pm – 6pm. The series will continue every Monday from March 11 through April 15, 2019.

For info or to register please contact Mary Moomey at 989-560-1107. Presented in cooperation with the Office of Christian Service, Diocese of Saginaw.

Hearts and Hands...and Coffee...and Crafts

Hearts and Hands will meet at Jackie Cline's house March 6th and 20th at 10:00am. As always newcomers are welcome. The full complement was there last week after a holiday break. Comments ranged from "missed it so much" to "couldn't wait to get together again" to "I was going to come weather or not!" We had such a nice visit and did some needlework. It was fun! Join us!

Saginaw Men's Conference www.thecatholicmen.com
Holy Spirit Church, 1035 N. River Rd., Saginaw, will host this gathering with the theme *Catholic Men, Stand Firm!* It is April 6, 8am to 3pm. Advance tickets for \$25 at www.eventbrite.com. Priests, religious, and under 21 admitted free. \$30 walk-up registration starts at the door at 7:15am

Mission in Freeland with STEVE ANGRISANO

St. Agnes (300 Johnson St., Freeland) invites you to one day or all three days of their Pre-Lenten Kick-off Sunday, March 3 through Tuesday, March 5. Each day begins with a soup supper at 5:45, mission program from 6:30-8pm, and refreshments after. Free-will offerings appreciated.

"The Many Faces of Prayer"

**A Day of Reflection and Discussion with
Fr. Bert Gohm**

This retreat day will focus on prayer and spirituality. Fr. Gohm will compare a spirituality of devotion with a contemplative spirituality. Then he will lead the group in exploring prayer as relationship, praying with scripture, meditation and contemplative prayer of awareness. There will be time for personal reflection as well as group discussion. Lunch is provided. The registration fee is \$10.

This retreat will be held on March 9 at St. Vincent DePaul Parish. You can arrive between 9:30 and 10am. The presentation is from 10am-4pm. **Registration forms are available in our church entries.**

Dear Friends,

In last week's bulletin I had printed the prayer "Prophets of a Future Not Our Own". Often referred to as the Oscar Romero prayer, it was actually written by Bishop Ken Untener in 1979 as part of a homily for deceased priests given by Cardinal Dearden. Pope Francis read this prayer in a message in 2015.

I have prayed this prayer many times, with many different groups, and it is near and dear to my heart. Two weeks ago, the Sunday I preached on the Beatitudes, I had a completely new experience with this prayer. I prayed with a group of adults and young people that give up the first week of summer vacation to work amongst the poor on the East side of Saginaw.

Each person read the prayer, up to the next punctuation mark. Whether it was a semicolon, a comma, or a period, you had to stop and let the next person take over. You had to continually follow along, ready to take up the prayer. Many different voices; female and male, old and young, confident and nervous mingled together in prayer. It created a unique prayer experience that mirrored the message of the prayer itself. That we don't always see the ministry to completion. We must be willing to hand it off to another or pick up a ministry that has already been started. In doing so we share in Jesus's mission to transform the world.

Peace and blessings,

Deacon Todd

Lenten Retreat Day for All Women of Diocese

The Saginaw Diocesan Council of Catholic Women will offer a Retreat Day in the Center for Ministry at the Diocese on Sat., Apr. 6. It starts at 9am and ends about 3:30pm. Registration begins at 8:30am. The leader will be Fr. Bert Gohm. The theme is: *Tools for Forgiveness*. The cost is \$27 (in advance) and includes lunch. This silent retreat will include spiritual talks, meditation time, confession, Mass, rosary, & Stations of the Cross. RSVP to Rita (989-635-7072) or Joyce (989-875-2650) by March 28.

Diocese News & Notes www.saginaw.org

Marriage Enrichment Day: Sat., Mar. 19, 8:30am to 4:00pm at Resurrection of the Lord, Standish. Register by Feb. 25 and do an online assessment tool prior. Fee of \$55/couple includes lunch, assessment, and personalized report. Contact Linda, 989-797-6660 at the Diocese to register.

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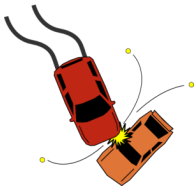
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