



Mass
Saturday 4:30pm
Sunday 9:30am

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St. Vincent de Paul Parish

March 17, 2019
Second Sunday of Lent

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 during Lent: St. Vincent site. Private Reconciliation. Saturdays 3:30-4:15pm, and Thurs., Mar 28, 6-7:30pm.

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.



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

MARCH 17, 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.

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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 an appointment

Community Prayer

Monday, March 18

Dn 9:4b-10 / Lk 6:36-38

Tuesday, March 19

St. Joseph, Spouse of Bl. Virgin Mary
2 Sm 7:4-5a, 12-14a, 16 / Rom 4:13, 16-18
Mt 1:16, 18-21, 24a or Lk 2:41-51a
St. Vincent: Noon Christin Meditation
St. Vincent: 7:00pm Praise & Worship

Wednesday, March 20

Jer 18:18-20 / Mt 20:17-28
St. Vincent: 8:30am Word & Communion Service
St. Patrick: 6:00pm Word & Communion Service

Thursday, March 21

Jer 17:5-10 / Lk 16:19-31
St. Vincent: 4:30 Christian Meditation

Friday, March 22

Gn 37:3-4, 12-13a, 17b-28a / Mt 21:33-43, 45-46
St. Patrick: 5:00pm Stations of the Cross

Saturday, March 23

Mi 7:14-15, 18-20 / Lk 15:1-3, 11-32
St. Vincent: 3:30-4:15pm Private Reconciliation
St. Vincent: 4:00pm Rosary
St. Vincent: 4:30pm Mass

Sunday, March 24

Third Sunday of Lent
Ex 3:1-8a, 13-15 / 1 Cor 10 1-6, 10-12 / Lk 13:1-9
St. Vincent: 9:00am Rosary
St. Vincent: 9:30am Mass

K of C Corner

“Advances in Medicine and the life sciences have brought incredible benefits to the human race.

But there has also been the danger of losing sight of our humanity as a gift from the hand of God.

The greatest bioethical threat today is a cultural attitude that ‘depersonalizes’ a human being.”

“Do No Harm” by John M. Haas PhD, S.T.L.
Columbia Magazine, January 2019

Please hold in Prayer:

David Dickman, Kim Craven, Anna Hoffman, Bonnie Skalitsky, Jim Platt, Jim Langlois, Tom Krafft, Frank Lapinski, Delores Miller, †Glen Smith, †Margaret Noble, Binkowski Family, and the sick and home-bound.

Bible Study Wednesdays, 9am, Church Library

Children’s Sacramental Preparation

Thursday, March 21, 6-7pm

Lenten Soup Suppers

There is a sign up sheet in the main entry for Soup Suppers after the Sat. 4:30pm Masses on 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). Help is appreciated!

Euchre! Our St. Patrick site will host a Euchre card game on Saturday, March 16 at 6:30pm. Please bring a snack. Everyone is welcome!

Time for a New Mass Ministries Schedule

If you have input for the schedule for April, May, and June, please contact the office *this week*. The plan is to have the new schedules available in the church entry the weekend of March 23 & 24.

Our Gifts to the Lord

March 10

Building Improvement	\$	28.00
St. Leo Cemetery	\$	35.00
St. Patrick Cemetery	\$	70.00
St. Patrick Utilities	\$	25.00
St. Patrick Repairs	\$	40.00
Food Pantry	\$	45.00
Evangelization	\$	40.00

Regular Collection

Collection

Year to Date

March 10	\$ 3,495.45	\$ 180,384.88
Weekly Budget	\$ 4,875.00	\$ 180,135.00

Immigration Discussion

As a follow up to our last immigration discussion, we will focus next Sunday, March 24, on how we can respond to the global migration crisis. What causes people to migrate? Who are the migrants? How do we respond? How does the example of St. Vincent de Paul and his successors relate to the migrant crisis?

Catholic Grief Recovery Series at Our Parish

This is a program to help you become aware of the process of grief. Adults who have experienced loss due to death are welcome to attend.

St. Vincent de Paul will offer this series every Monday from March 11 through April 15. For information or to register please contact Mary at 989-560-1107.

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

Hearts and Hands will meet again at Jackie Cline's house March 20th at 10am. Newcomers welcome!

Saginaw Men's Conference www.thecatholicmen.com

Holy Spirit Church, 1035 N. River Rd., Saginaw, will host on April 6, 8am to 3pm. Advance tickets for \$25 at www.eventbrite.com. Priests, religious, and under 21 free. \$30 registration starts at the door at 7:15am

Lenten Retreat Day for All Women of Diocese

Our Diocesan Catholic Women will offer a Retreat Day in the Center for Ministry Sat., Apr. 6. The day starts at 9am (registration begins at 8:30) and ends about 3:30pm. The retreat leader is Fr. Bert Gohm. 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.

Spring Clean-Up of Our Cemeteries

Please remove any articles and decorations from graves by the end of March. Items left after that time will be discarded. Thank you.

Easter Season Offering: Life in the Spirit Seminar

St. Joseph the Worker, Beal City will host this 7 week seminar on Thursday evenings, 6-7:30pm, April 25-June 6. \$15 per person, scholarships available, child care provided. For details contact Katie, 989-330-4218 or katiemanness4@gmail.com. You may register online at <https://goo.gl/forms/c8srlAbmGMopVYor1>

Dear Friends,

Last weekend we were happy to host the space for the "Many Faces of Prayer" retreat led by Fr. Bert Gohm. Fr. Bert is very gifted and if you ever have the opportunity to hear him, whether locally or at the Center for Ministry, do it. There were 24 people who set aside Saturday to delve more deeply into prayer. We learned about devotional and contemplative prayer, and how prayer helps us become aware that God is present, here – and not someplace distant from us.

One of the things that Fr. Bert shared was from a Benedictine priest, and to paraphrase "Prayer is wasted time, waste time with the Lord." How easy is it for us to waste time, on TV or social media and the like? Or closer to the point, how wonderful is it to waste time playing with a child, talking with a grandparent, or walking with a close friend, accomplishing little more than the joy of each other's presence. As we begin this 2nd week of Lent, call to mind that traditional pillar of Lent - prayer. I pray that you give yourself the opportunity this week to "Waste time with God".

Peace and blessings,

Deacon Todd

Diocese News & Notes www.saginaw.org

Is Lay Ministry for You?

Learn about it at a regional information meeting: Sat., Mar. 23, 10am, St. John XXIII Parish Center, 151 St. Mary Drive, Hemlock (behind church), or Wed., April 10, 6:30pm at the Center for Ministry, 5802 Weiss Street, Saginaw.

For more information please contact Kellie Deming, kdeming@dioceseofsaginaw.org or 989.797.6609.

We will take up the Catholic Relief Services collection March 30-31. Bishop Walter Hurley encourages our generosity in serving **Jesus in Disguise** in some of the poorest communities of our world.

With your help we have reached places like Ghor, Afghanistan where 80% of adults are illiterate. The schools were too far and the trip too dangerous for children. This collection gave them a community-based classroom for their village.

You can help those in need all around the globe with your gift. What you give is small compared to what they receive.

Thank you to those who came and helped me celebrate my 70 years of ministry. Volunteering was a gift of love that I truly enjoyed. It was so exiting to see everyone, and all the cards and gifts were greatly appreciated. - Dorothy Mallory

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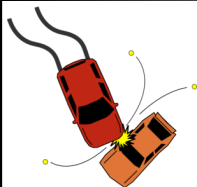
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