



**Mass**  
**Saturday 4:30pm**  
**Sunday 9:30am**

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# St. Vincent de Paul Parish

**April 7, 2019**  
**Fifth 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.

*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

**APRIL 7, 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, April 8**

Dn 13:1-9, 15-17, 19-30, 33-62 / Jn 8:12-20

**Tuesday, April 9**

Nm 21:4-9 / Jn 8:21-30  
St. Vincent: Noon Christian Meditation

**Wednesday, April 10**

Dn 3:14-20, 91-92, 95 / Jn 8:31-42  
St. Vincent: 8:30am Word & Communion Service  
St. Patrick: 6:00pm Word & Communion Service

**Thursday, April 11**

Gn 17:3-9 / Jn 81-59  
St. Vincent: 4:30pm Christian Meditation  
St. Vincent: 7:00pm Confirmation

**Friday, April 12**

Jer 20:10-13 / Jn 10:31-42  
St. Vincent: 8:30am Word & Communion  
St. Vincent: 3:30pm Stations of the Cross

**Saturday, April 13**

Ez 37:21-28 / Jn 11:45-56  
St. Vincent: 3:30-4:15pm Private Reconciliation  
St. Vincent: 4:00pm Rosary  
St. Vincent: 4:30pm Mass begins in parish hall

**Sunday, April 14**

*Palm Sunday / The Passion of the Lord*  
Lk 19:28-40 / Is 50:4-7 / Phil 2:6-11 / Lk 22:14-23:56  
St. Vincent: 9:00am Rosary  
St. Vincent: 9:30am Mass begins in parish hall

**K of C Corner**

“At the March for Life, I quoted one of America’s great abolitionist leaders Wendell Phillips, who once said, ‘One and God makes a majority.’ I added that it also helps to have the American people on our side.”

America’s Consensus on Life  
By Supreme Knight Carl Anderson  
*Columbia Magazine*, March 2019

**Please hold in Prayer:**

Larry Noyes, Joshua Morgan, Kim Craven, Anna Hoffman, Bonnie Skalitsky, Jim Platt, Jim Langlois, Tom Krafft, Frank Lapinski, Delores Miller, Binkowski Family, and the sick and homebound.

**CPR and AED Awareness Training**

Our churches and parish halls are equipped with Automated External Defibrillators (AEDs). They can save lives but many of us may hesitate to use them. Become familiar with them at an awareness session on May 18, 12-2pm, in St. Vincent’s Parish Hall. Basics of CPR will also be explained. This is not for certification, but to give you enough confidence to use them.

**Central Michigan Area Concert Band**

Enjoy great music during the Maple Syrup Festival on Sunday, April 27, 6:30pm in Shepherd School Auditorium (on W. side of High School across from the gym).

**Finance Council Meeting:** Tues., April 9, 6:30pm

**Holy Week Schedule**

Tues. April 16 10:30am Chrism Mass at Diocese  
Thurs. April 18 7:00pm Mass of the Lord’s Supper  
Fri. April 19 12:00 Noon Good Friday Service  
Sat. April 20 8:30pm Holy Sat., Easter Vigil  
Sun. April 21 9:30am Easter Sunday Mass

**New This Year!** On Holy Thursday we’ll begin with a 6pm potluck dinner in the parish hall. Please join us!

**Our Gifts to the Lord**

**March 31**

Building Improvement	\$	153.00
St. Leo Cemetery	\$	50.00
Food Pantry	4	60.00
Community Catechesis	\$	700.00
Seasonal Flowers	\$	475.00
Catholic Relief Services	\$	1,285.00

**Regular Collection**

**Collection**

**Year to Date**

March 24	\$ 9,814.00	\$ 200,459.90
Weekly Budget	\$ 4,875.00	\$ 194,760.00

**A Memo to Children of Our Parish**

To all children of St Vincent parish! Come and join us after Mass on Sunday April 7. We will make some awesome crafts to display in our church for Easter! All are welcome whether you are a regular attender of Faith Formation or not. We will meet in the classrooms after breakfast.

On Palm Sunday the children will help lead us in our special palm procession!

Palm Sunday will also be our last Faith Formation class until fall. We will have a special treat too.

**Euchre!** Our St. Patrick site will hose a Euchre card game on Saturday, April 13 at 6:30pm. Please bring a snack. Everyone is welcome.

**Clean Up at Irishtown Scheduled**

St. Patrick Church and Yard Clean-up will be Saturday morning April 13th at 8:30am. April 20th is the backup day if rained out.

**Want to Work With Parish Children?**

A VIRTUS (*Protecting God's Children*) class will be held at the Sacred Heart parish office in Mt. Pleasant on Tuesday, April 9, at 1:00 p.m. The address is 302 S. Kinney Ave, Mt. Pleasant, MI, 48858. If you have questions, you can call the parish office at (989) 772-1385.

**Bible Study** Wednesdays, 9am, Church Library

**Record Keeping**

After our office staff met with people from the diocese we saw a need to double check our parish lists and make sure we were all on the same page! If you notice that a change has been made regarding your envelopes, address, or anything else, and you didn't want that change to be made, please let us know! It's our intention to work with you not against you!

**Easter Season Offering: *Life in the Spirit***

St. Joseph the Worker, Beal City will host this 7 week seminar on Thursday evenings, 6-7:30pm, April 25-June 6. Cost is \$15 per person and scholarships are available. Child care will be provided. For details contact Katie, 989-330-4218 or [katiemaness4@gmail.com](mailto:katiemaness4@gmail.com). You may register online at <https://goo.gl/forms/c8sr1AbmGMopVYor1>

**Rice Bowls**

Please plan to turn in your Rice Bowls in the Sacristy on the Sunday after Easter. (We'll accept them anytime, but we'd appreciate most that day.)

Dear Friends,

I mentioned last week how special the Easter Vigil is for me. The Vigil has 4 distinct parts; The Solemn Beginning of the Vigil or Lucernarium, The Liturgy of the Word, the Baptismal Liturgy, and The Liturgy of the Eucharist. In the first part we begin outside the church, around a blazing fire that lights up the night. First the fire is blessed, then the new Paschal Candle is prepared.

The preparation is begun by cutting into the candle with a stylus a cross, the Greek letters alpha and omega and the calendar year. The priest recites at the same time; Christ yesterday and today, the Beginning and the End, the Alpha, and the Omega, All time belongs to him, and all the ages, To him be glory and power, through every age and for ever. Amen. Then five grains of incense are inserted into the cross, the number representing the five wounds of Christ, and the incense representing the spices with which Christ's body was prepared for burial.

Finally, the candle is lit from the blessed fire and the candle leads all present into the church. The Pascal candle is then placed at the Ambo and lit for every liturgy throughout the season of Easter. Thereafter it is lit for Baptisms and Funerals, a reminder of our rising to new life in the waters of Baptism, and the hope of the Resurrection Christ won for us.

Peace and blessings,

Deacon Todd

**Diocese News & Notes** [www.saginaw.org](http://www.saginaw.org)

**Is Lay Ministry for You?**

Learn about it at a meeting Wed., April 10, 6:30pm at the Center for Ministry, 5802 Weiss St., Saginaw. For more information please contact Kellie Deming, [kdeming@dioceseofsaginaw.org](mailto:kdeming@dioceseofsaginaw.org) or 989.797.6609.

**Northern Michigan & East Coast Pilgrimages**

You are invited to join Fr. Marcel Portelli on one or both of two spiritually edifying pilgrimages offered for 2019. Visits include historic cathedrals, shrines, monasteries, and beautiful churches. July 8-12 to the East Coast and October 7-11 to northern Michigan. Deluxe motor-coach pick-up and return from the Diocesan Center in Saginaw. Flyers are on our bulletin boards. For more info call (249)250-6605 or go to [www.prayerpilgrimages.com](http://www.prayerpilgrimages.com)

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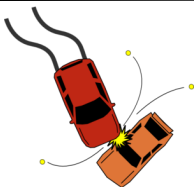
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