



# St. Vincent de Paul Parish

July 28, 2019

Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

## Life In Our Community

*Children's Faith Formation:* Classes resume in the fall. Call for information.

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

*Food Pantry:* Call the office Mon., Wed., or Thurs. between 10am & noon to set a Friday 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:* Cable channel 187 on Sun. at 2pm., Cable channel 191 on Wed. 11am & 4pm, Fri. 9am & Sat. 10:50am

*Adult Faith Formation: Bible Study in St. Vincent Church Library. Hearts & Hands:* Call for information on this craft and social group, and for info on Bible Study.

*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 begin 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. Private Reconciliation Saturdays at 4:00pm.

*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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7631 W. North Gratiot Co. Line  
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St. Vincent de Paul, Shepherd  
168 E. Wright Ave.  
Parish Church

**July 28, 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**

Bev Kalmar Nancy Scovill  
Jackie Loomis Craig Shanteau  
Don Moeggenberg Tim Sieracki  
Judy Moldenhauer Brad Swartz  
Tom Moomey Helen Thrush  
Kaylie Willoughby

**Finance Council**

Liz Bacon  
Bill Daniels  
Doug Dodge  
Marie Green  
Aaron Lloyd  
Zachary Lobsinger  
Tish Mallory

**Office Hours**

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

**Community Prayer**

**Monday, July 29**

Ex 32:15-24, 30-34 / Jn 11:19-27 or Lk 10:38-42

**Tuesday, July 30**

Ex 33:7-11; 34:5b-9, 28 / Mt 13:36-43  
St. Vincent: 7:00pm Praise & Worship

**Wednesday, July 31**

Ex 34:29-35 / Mt 13:44-46  
St. Vincent: 8:30am Word & Communion Service  
St. Patrick: 6:00pm Word & Communion Service

**Thursday, August 1**

Ex 40:16-21, 34-38 / Mt 13:47-53  
St. Vincent: **NO 4:30pm Meditation today**

**Friday, August 2**

Lv 23:1, 4-11, 15-16, 27,34b-37 / Mt 13:54-58  
St. Vincent: **NO Word & Communion Service today**

**Saturday, August 3**

Lv 25:1, 8-17 / Mt 14:1-12  
St. Vincent: 4:00pm Rosary  
St. Vincent: 4:30pm Mass

**Sunday, August 4**

*Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time*  
Eccl 1:2; 2:21-23 / Col 3:1-5, 9-11 / Lk 12:13-21  
St. Vincent: 9:00am Rosary  
St. Vincent: 9:30am Mass

**K of C Corner**

“A primary reason the church canonizes saints is to inspire the faithful in their own pursuit of holiness.”

On Heroism and Holiness (*Editorial*)  
Alton J. Pelowski  
Columbia Magazine, August 2019

**Please hold in Prayer:** † Evelyn Trudell, Janice Blanchard, Franny Welgs, Mary Yates, Terri Grierson, Larry Noyes, Joshua Morgan, Kim Craven, Anna Hoffman, Bonnie Skalitsky, Jim Platt, Jim Langlois, Tom Krafft, Frank Lapinski, Binkowski Family, and the sick and homebound.

**The Lucky Winners!**

Those who pledged to CSA by our July 1 deadline were put in a drawing for prizes. Lucky winners are:

Reserved Christmas Eve parking & pew  
Aaron Moeggenborg

Reserved Easter Sunday parking & pew:  
Donna Bellinger

Dinner with Deacon Todd: Ken & Marge Helinski



**MANY PARTS; ONE CHURCH**  
**CSA** | Catholic Services Appeal  
Diocese of Saginaw

**A Resounding Thank you!**

Our thank you for your generous support for CSA is *truly resounding* because the effects will echo all through our diocese! Your pledges have shown support for so many charities, as well as ministries to various parishes—including ours. It is heartwarming! Thank you!

**Our Gifts to the Lord**

**July 21, 2019**

Building Improvement	\$	3.00
St. Leo Cemetery	\$	100.00
St. Patrick Cemetery	\$	70.00
St. Vincent Cemetery	\$	105.00
Catholic Relief Services	\$	1.27
Diocesan Priest Retirement	\$	60.00

**Regular Collection**

**Collection**

**Year to Date**

July 21, 2019	\$ 3,351.00	\$ 13,146.00
Weekly Budget	\$ 5,273.00	\$ 15,819.00

**Thank you!**

A big THANK YOU to all who helped make **ROAR**, our Vacation Bible School, such a great experience for all of us.

**What We Learned**

I find that what we teach students in VBS applies to all of us in our daily journeys. *Life is wild, God is good* was the theme of our lessons this summer.

We learned that along with the beautiful side of life, life can also be wild. We first experience it as children but find life's wildness follows us all through our life. Sometimes we are angry or frightened or sad, but God is always good and always wants to help us. Of course, God helps us in his time and his way, which means we need to grow in trust and faith.

We also learned that when life is good and joyful, God is still present and still good, and we can praise and thank him. People in Bible times knew this, too. It is always good to remind ourselves of God's goodness because that will be the foundation stone of our response to life's wildness.

Peace.

*Mary*

**89 and Going-on 90!**

Our own Virginia Lopez (*fondly called Aunt Ginny by some!*) celebrated 89 years young on July 24! You may want to send her a card to cheer her on to 90!

Mail to her at: 7755 Karen Lane, Rockford, MI 49341.  
Happy Birthday, Virginia!

**Shepherd Community Picnic Donations Needed**

**Silent Auction:** unique gifts and items to bid on.  
Please contact Marie Green or Jan Hetherington.

**Kids Treasure Chest:** little prizes for game players.  
Please contact Connie Moeggenborg or Kim Recker .

**A Message From Christmas Outreach**

Before we know it, we will be filling stockings and gift bags for Christmas Outreach for all ages. If you want to contribute, school supplies are always welcome and stores are offering back-to-school specials now.

**Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend**

Refresh your faith and invest in your marriage by attending one of three Michigan weekend events. The first is Aug. 16-18 at the Augustine Center near Petoskey; the second is Sept. 27-29 in Detroit; and the third is Nov. 15-17 in Adrian. Check out [www.wwme.org](http://www.wwme.org) or contact Chris or Darla at 269-953-8287 for info.

Dear Friends in Christ,

Despite the recent heat waves and such we are surrounded by the lush green of God's creation, both inside the church and out. The liturgical document *Built of Living Stones* reminds us of the importance of being surrounded by living vs artificial greens.

*"The use of living flowers and plants, rather than artificial greens, serves as a reminder of the gift of life God has given to the human community."*

*"The design of the area surrounding the church can integrate trees, shrubs, and flowers with places for outdoor gathering and for quiet meditation."*

We are very thankful for the continued ministry of Carol Gall and Donna Lefever and the other volunteers for the hard work on the meditation garden. It seems every week I see the little wagon tire tracks that Diane Courter leaves as she goes about watering and deadheading Geraniums. Throughout the summer we have Bev Kalmar to thank for the multiple flower arrangements inside the church. These kinds of ministries are too often unsung, but truly missed if they fade away. Please take a moment to say thanks.

As was mentioned previously, we will be having discussions sessions for Bishop Barron's book "Letter to a Suffering Church". The week of August 5<sup>th</sup> there will be 3 sessions on different days and times. All the sessions are the same, we are just spreading out to provide many opportunities for you to attend one. Each session will be approximately 1.5-2 hours and will have time for prayer, discussion and guided meditation. The sessions times and locations are as follows.

- \* Mon., Aug. 5<sup>th</sup>, 6:00pm St. Vincent de Paul Church
- \* Wed., Aug. 7<sup>th</sup>, 1:00pm St. Vincent de Paul Church
- \* Sat., Aug. 10<sup>th</sup>, 10:00am St. Patrick Church – Irishtown

Peace and blessings,

Deacon Todd



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