



# St. Vincent de Paul Parish

March 8, 2020

The Second Sunday of Lent

## Life In Our Community

*Children's Faith Formation:* Classes are held at St Vincent on Sundays at 10:45 am

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

*Food Pantry:* Call our office Mon., Wed., or Thurs. between 10am & noon to set a Friday afternoon 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 is held on Weds., at 9:30am. Hearts & Hands:* Call for info on this bi-weekly craft and social group,

*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 or for information.

*Elementary Sacramental Preparation:*  
Enrollment in parish faith formation program required. Call Mary Moomey in our parish office for more information. Resumes Jan. 9.

*Reconciliation:* St. Vincent site. private confessions Saturdays at 4:00pm, and Thurs., Mar. 26 6:-00-8:00pm

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

## March 8, 2020

**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  
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Judy Moldenhauer Kaylie Willoughby  
Tom Moomey

### Finance Council

Liz Bacon  
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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, March 9

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

### Tuesday, March 10

Is 1:10, 16-20 / Mt 23:1-12

### Wednesday, March 11

Jer 18:18-20 / Mt 20:17-28

St. Vincent: 9:00am Scripture & Communion Service  
St. Patrick: 6:00pm Scripture & Communion Service

### Thursday, March 12

Jer 17:5-10 / Lk 16:19-31

St. Vincent: 4:30pm Meditation

### Friday, March 13

Gn 37:3-4, 12-13a, 17b-28a / Mt 21:33-43, 45-46

St. Vincent: 9:00am Word & Communion Service  
St. Vincent: 3:30pm Stations of the Cross

### Saturday, March 14

Mi 7:14-15, 18-20 / Lk 15:1-3, 11-32

St. Vincent: 3:30-4:15pm Private Reconciliations  
St. Vincent: 4:00pm Rosary  
St. Vincent: 4:30pm Mass

### Sunday, March 15

*Third Sunday of Lent*

Ex 17:3-7 / Rom 5:1-2, 5-8 / Jn 4:5-42

St. Vincent: 9:00am Rosary  
St. Vincent: 9:30am Mass followed by Breakfast & Whole Community Catechesis

## **K of C Corner**

Often you hear about Knights of Columbus activities in our community.

Not only do they support our parish goals, they actively support Shepherd community causes as well as greater faith endeavors such as enriching the environment for vocations.

If you would like information on becoming a part of this fraternal and philanthropic organization, call Bob Wachowski 989-854-2831, or email Jerry [jerryjal@yahoo.com](mailto:jerryjal@yahoo.com)

**Please hold in Prayer:** †Clarence Rutkowski, †Loretta Koester, Bob Dell, Ella Kenny, Mary Lou Willoughby, Jerry Degruise, Mike Ley, Larry Noyes, Rich Dominick, Mary Ann Slack, Janice Blanchard, Terri Grierson, Joshua Morgan, Kim Craven, Anna Hoffman, Jim Platt, Bonnie Skalitsky, Ed Filhart, Jim Langlois, Tom Krafft, Frank Lapinski, Kinsley and the Binkowski Family, and the sick and homebound.

**Series on the Mass:** On Thursdays through April 2, Gerri Clark and Mary Moomey are hosting a series on the Mass. 9-10:30am.

### **Hearts & Hands: Wednesday, March 11, 10am**

Spring is right around the corner! Have you finished your winter project? If not, bring it to Jackie Cline's home on Wednesday, and get in on some group motivation! If you're looking for a new project, get in on some group inspiration! All are welcome to join!

### **This Weekend After Sunday, 9:30am Mass**

Join us for breakfast and to watch the first half of the movie Son of God. And, same time, same place next weekend to enjoy the second half of the movie.

**Mardi Gras:** St. Mary's School, Alma, Mar.14, 6-11pm  
\$35 at the door / Live Auction / Live DJ / 989-463-4579

### **Our Gifts to the Lord \* March 1, 2020**

Bldg. Improvement	\$	208.00
St. Leo Cemetery	\$	100.00
St. Patrick Cemetery	\$	25.00
St. Patrick Repair/Maintenance	\$	200.00
St. Patrick Utilities	\$	200.00
Food Pantry	\$	105.00
Parish Outreach	\$	20.00

### **Gifts for Gen. Fund Collection Year to Date**

Church Collection	\$ 3,899.03	\$164,004.67
Weekly Budget	\$ 5,273.00	\$ 184,555.00

\* Gifts online are reported after the close of each month

**Lenten Soup Suppers**

Join us on Saturdays March 21 & 28 following Mass for our traditional Lenten Soup Suppers. Enjoy home cooking on cold winter nights!



Five volunteers are needed to furnish a gallon and a half of soup each, as well as volunteers to supply bread/rolls, and cookies.

Contact Joan Whitmore, 989-854-4012, to volunteer. If she's not home, leave a message and she'll return your call.

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**From Mich Cath Conference & Right to Life Mich**

The process of verifying signatures on the Dismemberment Abortion Ban Petition is taking long than anticipated. We'll provide more information as it is available. Meantime, please pray for success.

**Bishop to Speak at Sacred Heart, Mt. Pleasant**

At 7pm on March 12 Bishop Gruss will speak on spirituality in Sacred Heart Church. Everyone is invited to this free presentation.

**From the Michigan Catholic Conference**

**Census: Accurate Count=Fair Representation**

The 2020 census begins in March to determine Michigan's representation in Congress for the next decade, and Michigan is at risk of losing at least one of its 14 seats. The count also influences how state legislative districts are formed. To ensure our voices are accurately reflected in government decisions, it is critical that the state's population count is as precise as possible. Census numbers affect us all. Learn more at [www.micatholic.org/2020Census](http://www.micatholic.org/2020Census).

**Parish Pastoral Council**

There are three openings on our parish Pastoral Council due to terms ending. Please fill out this nomination form and return it to the office or drop it in the collection basket next week. You may nominate yourself or someone else you believe would make a good Council member. Council members must be practicing Catholics and registered members of the parish, participants in parish worship life (in attendance at weekend Mass at St. Vincent de Paul Church), and at least 18 years of age.

I nominate

\_\_\_\_\_ for parish Pastoral Council.

Dear Friends in Christ,

I had a disturbing little discovery with my phone the other day. As I mentioned before, I have given up doing a lot of things on my phone, related to social media and games especially, for Lent. I still use my phone for various things including phone calls, emails and texts, prayer and other little useful tools. In reorganizing my screens I stumbled across a built-in app for measuring screen time. I should mention I have an iPhone, if you are on an Android you might not have this built into your phone, but there are other apps that you can get to do this.

This little tool tracks how much time you spend in each app, breaks it down by category; Productivity, Social Networking, Health & Fitness, Game etc. There it is, not in black and white, but rather in full color with pretty little icons and graphs, how much time your face has been turned toward that 2.5"x5.5" screen. Eyes that weren't toward a loved one, a neighbor, or the stranger in your midst. Eyes that might not be seeing the crisis that is near you, or the beauty that surrounds you.

Even with the reduction since the start of Lent, the numbers I saw were shocking to say the least. And when you combine a day's total into a weekly total, and a weekly total into a month, the phrase about time flying takes on a new meaning. Like almost any tool, there is a right way and a wrong way to use it, and what we do with the tool can be good or bad. I plan to continue to watch my usage after Lent ends.

Peace and blessings,

Deacon Todd

**Mass Minister Schedules**

Our schedules for lectors, Extraordinary Ministers of Communion, altar servers, and collection counters ends March 29. If you have input about scheduling dates for April, May, and June, please call by Mar 19.

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