



St. Vincent de Paul Parish

August 23, 2020

Twenty-First Sunday in Ordinary Time

Life In Our Community

Children's Faith Formation: We hope classes can resume this fall. Watch for information.

Praise & Worship: See page 2 for organized prayer at this time. Our church is open noon -3pm for individual prayer Mon.-Sat.

Food Pantry: Call the office Mon., Wed., or Thurs. between 10am & noon to set Friday appointment. Food donations may be left in our church noon-3pm.

K of C: Normally 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. Watch Mass on Utube on Sundays at 11am at <https://youtu.be/iecS8GiXKeE>

Adult Faith Formation: See opportunity on page 3 for a class on prayer.

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 tentatively 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 when environmental conditions in general improve.

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 (Suspended)

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WELCOME!

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

AUGUST 23, 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

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Parish Office Hours: Monday through Thursday. Please call to schedule an appointment, 828-5720.

Community Prayer

Monday, August 24

Is 22:19-23 / Rom 11:33-36

Tuesday, August 25

2 Thes 2:1-3a, 14-17 / Mt 23:23-26

Wednesday, August 26

2 Thes 3:6-10, 16-18 / Mt 23:27-32
St. Vincent: 10am Mass

Thursday, August 27

1 Cor 1:1-9 / Mt 24:42-51

Friday, August 28

1 Cor 1:17-25 / Mt 25:1-13

Saturday, August 29

1 Cor 1:26-31 / Mk 6:17-29

Sunday, August 30

Twenty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time
Jer 20:7-9 / Rom 12:1-2 / Mt 16:21-27
St Vincent: 10am Mass

Please hold in Prayer:

†Gene Glowacki, †Marilyn Onstott, Manuel Martinez, Bill McClintic, Barbara H., Rosie Kenny, Randy Apple, Karen Lee, Mary Louise Smith, Bob Dell, Ella Kenny, Cathy, Jerry Degruise, Mike Ley, Mary Ann Slack, Janice Blanchard, Ed Filhart, Larry Noyes, Joshua Morgan, Kim Craven, Anna Hoffman, Bonnie Skalitsky, Jim Platt, Jim Langlois, Tom Krafft, Frank Lapinski, Delores Miller, Kinsley & the Binkowski Family, and the sick and home-bound

Blood Drive Thursday this Week!

There's a Red Cross Blood Drive at St. Vincent Hall on Thurs., August 27. Our goal is 30 units so we need help! Walk in noon-5:45pm, or make an appointment 1-800-733-2767 (code: St Vincent).

Golf Outing for Seminarians

Posters are on our bulletin boards for this Sept. 16 event to raise funds for seminarian education. To register call 989-797-6693, or email theinlein@dioceseofsaginaw.org.

The Traveling Chalice

If you would like to host the Traveling Chalice for Vocations, call the office or email Deacon Todd so you can be assigned a week. A printed prayer guide goes with the Chalice.

Stewardship

August 16, 2020

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| Building Improvement | \$ | 148.00 |
| St. Leo Cemetery | \$ | 75.00 |
| St. Patrick Cemetery | \$ | 5.00 |
| St. Vincent Cemetery | \$ | 45.00 |
| Food Pantry | \$ | 300.00 |
| Parish Outreach | \$ | 45.00 |
| Priest Retirement (Diocesan) | \$ | 25.00 |

| | <u>General Collection</u> | <u>Year to Date</u> |
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| Aug. 16 Collection | \$ 1,895.00 | \$ 25,611.10 |
| Weekly Budget | \$ 4,625.00 | \$ 32,375.00 |

Christmas Outreach Will Still Go On

Christmas Outreach will adapt to the corona virus. We will continue to give Christmas stockings to children and gift bags to teens. We will need lots of school supplies for those, and sales are on now. We need crayons (24 pack), glue sticks, erasers, rulers, pencils, pens, spiral notebooks, small notepads, scissors, colored pencils, highlighters, mechanical pencils, markers, and more. A collection box will be under the coat rack in the gathering space. Thank you.

Virtual Evening of Prayer

Our diocese will lead this online evening of prayer on Wed., Sept. 9, 6:30pm –8:30pm, for all those who visit others on behalf of their parish. It's free but registration is required (by Sept. 7) to receive the link to the meeting and the handouts. If you are new to virtual meetings, they will help you to connect. To register, contact Lori, 989-797-6652 or lbecker@dioceseofsaginaw.org.

Five Women Profess Vows

On Sunday, Aug. 16, five women professed their perpetual vows as Religious Sisters of Mercy of Alma, Michigan during Mass at the Cathedral of Mary of the Assumption in Saginaw. The sisters professing vows were Sister Mary Rafqa Boulos, Sister Mary Elisha Glady, Sister Marie Josepha Kluczny, Sister Maliya Suen, and Sister Marie Faustina Wolniakowski.

During the Mass, each sister professed her vows— including poverty, chastity, obedience and the service of the poor, sick and ignorant— while kneeling before Mother Mary McGreevy, superior general of the Religious Sisters of Mercy of Alma. After each sister had professed vows, Bishop Robert Gruss prayed a solemn prayer of consecration over the sisters. Mother Mary McGreevy then placed a ring signifying their religious profession on the finger of each sister, reminding them that they are betrothed to the eternal King, Jesus.

(From dioceseofsaginaw.org)

Dear Friends in Christ,

Thank you for your kind words regarding last weeks homily. In spending time reflecting on racism and racial injustice, I am sometimes left overwhelmed by the scope of the problem. The questions "What can I do?" and "Where do I begin?" are oft buried under the enormity of the problem, leaving one without anyway forward. At times such as these I am then reminded of the opening words of Bishop Ken Untener's "Prophet's of a Future Not Our Own"

It helps, now and then, to step back and take a long view. The kingdom is not only beyond our efforts, it is even beyond our vision. We accomplish in our lifetime only a tiny fraction of the magnificent enterprise that is God's work.

The roots of racism, across the world and in particular here in the United States, began long before our lives and the solution almost certainly lies beyond their ending. But as with our work in the cooperation of the Kingdom of God, we are not off the hook regarding our participation in ending racism. Turning again to the wisdom of Bishop Ken we see that in our small steps God's work is brought to fulfillment.

We plant the seeds that one day will grow.
We water seeds already planted, knowing that they hold future promise.
We lay foundations that will need further development.
We provide yeast that produces far beyond our capabilities.
We cannot do everything, and there is a sense of liberation in realizing that.
This enables us to do something, and to do it very well.
It may be incomplete, but it is a beginning, a step along the way, an opportunity for the Lord's grace to enter and do the rest.

None of us will solve the problem of racism on our own. But each of us, acting with the mercy and love of Jesus, and help the seed of racial equality grow.

This week inserted in the bulletin is the brief article on Examining Our Subconscious Perceptions, from the USCCB's Ad Hoc Committee Against Racism. In the coming weeks you will find other resources to help water the seed of justice.

Peace and blessings,

Deacon Todd

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