

Weekend Mass (until further notice) Sunday 10:00am

(Mask & Social Distancing Required)

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St. Vincent de Paul Parish

September 20, 2020 Twenty-Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Life In Our Community

Children's Faith Formation: Parent Meeting and first class Sept. 30, 6:30-7:30pm.

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. or Wed. between10am & 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.

Adult Faith Formation: Opportunities will be announced.

Bulletin Deadline: Wed. at 10:00am

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

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

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.



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Community Prayer

Monday, September 21

Eph 4:1-7, 11-13 / M9:9-13

Tuesday, September 22

Prv 21:1-6, 10-13 / Lk 8:19-21

Wednesday, September 23

Prv 30:5-9 / Lk 9:1-6 St. Vincent: 10am Mass

Thursday, September 24

Eccl 1:2-11 / Lk 9:7-9

Friday, September 25

Eccl 3:1-11 / Lk 9:18-22

Saturday, September 26

Eccl 11:9-12:8 / Lk 9 43b-45

Sunday, September 27

Twenty-Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time Ez 18:25-28 / Phil 2:1-11 / Mt 21:28-32

St Vincent: 10am Mass

Please hold in Prayer:

Sr. Marie Kopin, Barbara H., Rosie Kenny, Randy Apple, Karen Lee, Mary Louise Smith, Bob Dell, Ella Kenny, Cathy, 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 homebound

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.

Thanks

Our thanks to Tina Stalter and Timothy Sieracki who were our delegates to the Chrism Mass at the Diocese on September 15. Normally that Mass is during Holy Week, but it was delayed by COVID19. Our supply is now refreshed, and last year's oils will be disposed of reverently.

Donations on-line

click on the icon on our website. or visit https://osvhub.com/ stvincent-de-paul-church/funds



(Use Microsoft Edge, Google Chrome or Firefox as your browser.)

Stewardship S	ept.	13, 2020
Building Improvement *	\$	90.00
St. Leo Cemetery	\$	75.00
St. Vincent Cemetery *	\$	105.00
St. Patrick Cemetery *	\$	50.00
St. Patrick Utilities	\$	10.00
St. Patrick Repair & Maintenance	e \$	50.00
Parish Outreach *	\$	75.00
Food Pantry *	\$	25.00
* Includes Aug. on-line donations		
General		Year to
Collection		Date
Sep.13 Collection \$ 1,229.00)	
Aug.on-line Collection \$ 5,165.00	\$ 4	41,338.10
Weekly Budget \$ 4,625.00	\$ 5	50,875.00

Faith Formation: We Have a Plan!

We are excited to offer a new Faith Formation series this year: *Alive in Christ*. It's a blended curriculum by *Our Sunday Visitor* which provides both print and digital material.

We plan to offer classes Kindergarten - 5th Grade on the first and 3rd Wed. of each month, 6:30-7:30pm. The first class will be Wed., Sept. 30.

There will be follow-up material with easy to follow directions to be completed at home on alternate weeks. Deacon Todd and I would like to meet with the parents at the same time the children meet on Sept. 30 to answer questions and to look at the supplemental material.

The Bishop has stated that for the time being social distancing rules and special sanitizing procedures will continue to be followed. Teachers and students are to wear masks.

There will be more information coming. If you have questions, please ask Mary or Deacon Todd. We look forward to getting started again.

Peace, Mary

Be Joyful!

The last few months have been difficult and stressful. We did not expect such a sudden and drastic upheaval of our lives: a pandemic, an economic crisis, civil unrest, and fearsome weather catastrophes all happening at once.

There are hopeful signs that some things are getting better, but they are not going to be the same as before. How do we go forward hopefully and joyfully, and help others do the same, when we don't really like all the changes?

One way is to remember that we don't go alone. We are reminded in scripture that God always goes with us even in fire and flood. (*Isaiah 43:2, Exodus 3:12.*) Also, we remember that God can make all things (even changes we don't like!) into something good. (*Romans 8:28*).

As Bishop Gruss reminds us, the more we take part in the Eucharist, the more we pray and read scripture, the more open we will be to the joy of the Lord even in the midst of change.

Peace, Mary

Dear friends in Christ,

Thank you all for the birthday cards, gifts and well wishes. It is so kind of you all to remember me on my birthday, and I truly appreciate the love you share.

My trip out west with Erin was a wonderful experience, full of great memories. On Saturday, Erin, our son Todd and I hiked up to St. Mary's Glacier. As it shrinks a little more each year it is expected that in about 20 years it will be gone. It is coated with dirt, both on the top and bottom, but clean white on the inside. I watched several people hike to the upper edge of the glacier and ski or snowboard down, cutting hard left and right searching for a grip on the bumpy and icy surface. I also watched two young women skooch down the ice pack holding on to each other as if they were on a toboggan, without anything under them on that rough surface.





Six months ago was the last public Mass of the Lenten season, and we spent weeks searching for a grip on icy surfaces. During the time we have been balancing on an edge; Worship and Respect for Life, while striving to care for one another. I am so happy to be a part of a community and a family that works so hard and

willingly sacrifices for the good of all. As we continue to gradually move toward a greater sense of normal in our parish life, I thank you for continued flexibility as we ride together.

Peace and blessings,

Deacon Todd

Assembly of Priests

Next week, Sept. 21-23, the priests of our Diocese will gather with Bishop Gruss for our Assembly of Priests. Because of the pandemic, they will gather either on-line or at the Center for Ministry. Even though they will be close to home, they will still be "away" from the parish and unable to attend to funerals and the like. Please keep Bishop Gruss and our priests in prayer this week.

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