



St. Vincent de Paul Parish

November 29, 2020
The First Sunday of Advent

Life In Our Community

Children's Faith Formation: Online until the end of November. Watch for news.

Praise & Worship: See page 2 for organized prayer at this time.

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

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: Call Mary Moomey in our parish office for more information.

Reconciliation: Individual reconciliations on Dec. 8: 4:30-5:30pm and Dec. 12 & 19: 3-4pm

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.

Weekend Mass
Sunday 10:00am
Saturday 4:30pm

(Mask & Social Distancing Required)

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St. Patrick, Irishtown
7631 W. North Gratiot Co. Line
Church for Occasional Use



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

NOVEMBER 29, 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

Beverly Kalmar Nancy Scovill
Jackie Loomis Craig Shanteau
Don Moeggenberg Timothy Sieracki
Judy Moldenhauer Kaylie Willoughby
Tom Moomey

Finance Council

Liz Bacon
Bill Daniels
Doug Dodge
Zachary Lobsinger
Tish Mallory
Bob Wachowski

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

Community Prayer

Monday, November 30
Rom 10:9-18 / Mt 4:18-22

Tuesday, December 1
Is 11:1-10 / Lk 10:21-24

Wednesday, December 2
Is 25:6-10a / Mt 15-37
St. Vincent: 10:00am Mass (*Livestreamed*)

Thursday, December 3
Is 26:1-6 / Mt:21, 24-27
St. Vincent: 10:00am Morning Prayer

Friday, December 4
Is 29:17-24 / Mt 9:27-31

Saturday, December 5
Is 30:19-21, 23-26 / Mt 9:35—10:1, 5a, 6-8
St. Vincent: 4:30pm Mass

Sunday, December 6
Second Sunday of Advent
Is 40:1-5, 9-11 / 2 Pt 3:8-14 / Mk 1:1-8
St Vincent: 10:00am Mass (*Livestreamed*)

Please hold in Prayer:

Al Dickman, Pansy Thaller, Russell Weitzel, Betty Langlois, Sr. Marie Kopin, Nancy McClintic Hopson, Barbara H., Rosie Kenny, Randy Apple, Karen Lee, Bob Dell, Ella Kenny, Cathy, Mike Ley, Mary Ann Slack, Janice Blanchard, Ed Filhart, Larry Noyes, Joshua Morgan, Anna Hoffman, Bonnie Skalitsky, Jim Platt, Jim Langlois, Tom Krafft, Frank Lapinski, Delores Miller, Kinsley & the Binkowski Family, nursing home residents, and the sick and homebound.


Individual Reconciliations Set at St. Vincent

- Tuesday December 8 4:30-5:30pm
- Saturday December 12 3:00-4:00pm
- Saturday December 19 3:00-4:00pm

Serving the Community

Shepherd Tri-Township Fire Department will assist needy families this Christmas. You can help by making a donation, adopting a family, shopping or wrapping gifts. For more information, contact Luke Meyer at 989-506-0518. Checks may be payable to *Shepherd Tri-Township Fire Department* and mailed to 410 N. Chippewa St., Shepherd, MI 48883.

Donations on-line
click on this icon on our website,
or visit <https://osvhub.com/stvincent-de-paul-church/funds>
(Use Microsoft Edge, Google Chrome or Firefox as your browser.)



<u>Stewardship</u>		<u>Nov. 21 & 22, 2020</u>	
Building Improvement	\$	53.00	
St Leo Cemetery	\$	75.00	
St Patrick Cemetery	\$	60.00	
St. Vincent Cemetery	\$	25.00	
St. Patrick Repair & Maintenance	\$	100.00	
Christmas Flowers	\$	135.00	
Food Pantry	\$	50.00	
Parish Outreach	\$	20.00	
Campaign for Human Develop.	\$	320.00	
	General Collection	Year to Date	
Nov 21 & 22	\$ 3,272.01	\$ 84,612.11	
Weekly Budget	\$ 4,625.00	\$ 97,125.00	

Stewardship: Food for Thought

Holiday spending

- How much do Americans spend on holidays?
- Christmas/Hanukkah/Kwanzaa: \$457.4 billion
- Valentine's Day: \$13.7 billion
- Easter: \$12.63 billion
- Mother's Day: \$11.5 billion
- Father's Day: \$9 billion
- Halloween \$4.96 billion

- From *The Little Burgundy Book*, Diocese of Saginaw

Next Week: Religious Retirement Collection

Earlier in the year we had a collection for the retirement of priests in our diocese. Now we turn our attention to elderly sisters, brothers, and religious order members. Maybe they served you as a teacher or as a medical worker. The stipend they received from their order was what the order could afford, and now the retirement they offer needs bolstering. You can help. Repay their previous services to you by making a generous donation to this collection. Envelopes are in your packets or available in our entries. Checks can be payable to our parish.

Staying Apart but Praying the Same Prayer

On the back of the insert for *Coping with Grief during the Holidays* in this week's bulletin you will find a prayer for those sheltering in place. This prayer was written by Father Steve Fillion, Senior Priest of the Diocese of Saginaw. It was composed for those who are staying at home during this time of pandemic.

In a very compassionate way this prayer enters into the feelings of those who are not venturing out and are bound to their homes. May it be a source of encouragement and encounter with God for all who pray it with a sincere heart. It is a prayer that all of use could benefit from praying, allowing it to touch all our hearts.

LITTLE BOOKS Because of COVID-19, we of the Diocese of Saginaw, Inc. realize that many people watch Mass on TV or a device rather than attend in person. If you want a **Little Book for Advent** and do not come to our church building, you can order directly from www.littlebooks.org. Not a computer user? Call 1-989-797-6653.

Dear Friends in Christ,

Today the parish mailed out over 400 letters, to all the people connected to St. Vincent de Paul parish. The letter includes a short schedule of liturgies, a synopsis of my address that followed Mass a few weeks ago on Stewardship, and an outline of things to consider as a parish in 2021.

The outline of things to consider, a vision for 2021 and beyond, is a fitting topic for this 1st Sunday of Advent. Long have these last 8 months been, and it will likely be many months before real "normal" returns. However, we will endure. The parish of St. Vincent de Paul will continue to be here in worship, love and in service to God and our neighbor.

Some of the items may be considered overly ambitious considering our current financial situation. Even so it is important for us to look forward with eyes full of hope.

I am reminded of the words of Saint Paul in his letter to the Church of Rome.

"and hope does not disappoint, because the love of God has been poured out into our hearts through the Holy Spirit that has been given to us."

We do not do any of this alone. At every turn, in every struggle, in every celebration, we are joined by Jesus who loved us to the end. It's my pleasure to work with and serve with so many people that I can look at and see that the Holy Spirit has been poured into their hearts. Full of love and talent and deep abiding faith.

I am filled with hope, because I know that no matter how 2021 looks, it will be filled with many great workings of a community filled with the Holy Spirit.

Peace and blessings,
Deacon Todd

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