



St. Vincent de Paul Parish

February 28, 2021
The Second Sunday of Lent

Life In Our Community

Children's Faith Formation: 1st & 3rd Wed. at 6:30 at St. Vincent de Paul.

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 by 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: March 6, 13 & 20, individual reconciliations 3-4pm; March 18, 7-9pm; & prior to Masses.

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 (Livestreamed)
Saturday 4:30pm
(Mask & Social Distancing Required)

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

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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 David Spindler
Tom Moomey Kaylie Willoughby

Finance Council

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Zachary Lobsinger
Tish Mallory
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Bob Wachowski

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

Please hold in Prayer:

✚Patricia Homister, Joe Kelso, Evelyn Burtovoy, Joshua Lukens, Sr. Marie Kopin, Fr. Joe Fix, Mary Lou Willoughby, Janice Blanchard, Al Dickman, Richard Bernard, Pansy Thaller, Betty Langlois, Nancy McClintic Hopson, Rosie Kenny, Randy Apple, Bob Dell, Ella Kenny, Cathy, Mike Ley, Mary Ann Slack, Ed Filhart, Larry Noyes, Joshua Morgan, Jim Platt, Tom Krafft, Frank Lapinski, Delores Miller, Kinsley & the Binkowski Family, nursing home residents, essential workers, and the sick and homebound.

Marriage Preparation Workshop (Virtual/online)

Sat., March 13, 2021; 9am – 3:30pm

This Diocesan event helps couples understand what it means to get married in our Church. It covers: Marriage as Sacrament, Intimacy, Natural Family Planning, Communication and Conflict Resolution. Register by Mar. 8; fee is \$50 per couple, Call Linda, 989-797-6660 or lmilco@dioceseofsainaw.org

End of Year Contribution Statements

Statements are available on request. Call our office for yours.

Reminder

Please fill out the Disciple Maker Survey on line at <https://portal.catholicleaders.org/dm/i/survey/dctp217tpk>

Or, if you don't have a computer, call the office and we'll send you a paper copy you can fill out at home. March 23 is our deadline.

Community Prayer

Monday, March 1

Dn 9:4b-10 / Lk 6:36-38
Virtual Stations of the Cross: 3:00pm (Nativity of the Lord)

Tuesday, March 2

Is 1:10, 16-20 / Mt 23:1-12
St. Vincent: 6:00pm Evening Prayer *Live & Livestreamed*

Wednesday, March 3

Jer 18:18-20 / Mt 20:17-28
St. Vincent: 10:00am Mass *Live & Livestreamed*

Thursday, March 4

Jer 17:5-10 / Lk 16:19-31
St. Vincent: 10:00am Morning Prayer

Friday, March 5

Gn 37:3-4, 12-13a, 17b-28a / Mt 21:33-43, 45-46
3:00pm Virtual Stations of the Cross *Livestreamed only*

Saturday, March 6

Mi 7:14-15, 18-20 / Lk 15:1-3, 11-32
St. Vincent: 3:00-4:00pm Private Reconciliations
St. Vincent: 4:30pm Mass

Sunday, March 7

Third Sunday of Lent
Ex 17:3-7 / Rom 5:1-2, 5-8 / Jn 4:5-42
St Vincent: 10:00am Mass *Live & Livestreamed*

Stewardship February 20 & 21, 2021

Building Improvement	\$	39.00
St Leo Cemetery	\$	25.00
St Patrick Cemetery	\$	30.00
St. Vincent de Paul Cemetery	\$	70.00
Food Pantry	\$	25.00

	General Collection	Year to Date
Feb. 20 & 21	\$ 4,438.00	\$ 164,979.39
Weekly Budget	\$ 4,625.00	\$ 157,250.00

Faith Formation Sessions:

As scheduled, classes will meet in person at St. Vincent on March 3 & 17.

Sacramental Prep Class

Sessions are March 10 & 24 in person at 6:30pm. The 24th is an additional class.

Shepherd of Knight of Columbus push 110%

We continue to close in on our goals for Christ's Mission Appeal and our local K of C Council is helping to close the gap. Throughout the season of Lent, the St. Vincent de Paul Knights of Columbus Council will increase the next \$5000 in donations, both new and additional donations, to Christ's Mission Appeal by 10%. That makes your donation worth 110%. Many thanks to all the Knights for their spirit of service and of giving.

Job Opening

With a touch of sadness, we post the following job opening. Looking forward to spending more time together with her husband Bill, Sue Stonebrook has informed me of her intent to retire as parish bookkeeper. Out of love and care for the parish of St. Vincent de Paul, Sue will stay on as bookkeeper while we search for a suitable replacement. Thank you Sue for your talent and ministry to the parish.

St. Vincent de Paul Parish of Shepherd MI is looking for a part-time Bookkeeper to support the day-to-day operations of our parish office. In general, the Bookkeeper will be responsible for accounts payable, accounts receivable, banking, customer service, data entry, analysis of parish finances as well as assist with other duties assigned. Contact the St. Vincent de Paul parish office (989-828-5720) for a copy of the full job description.

Interested candidates should send resume and cover letter.

Email to:

Deacon Todd Lovas, Pastoral Administrator,
deacontodd@stvincentdp.com
(list "Parish Bookkeeper" in subject line)

Mail to:

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(re: Parish Bookkeeper)
168 E. Wright Ave
Shepherd, MI 48883

Greetings Friends in Christ,

I pray that you continue to be well in this holy season of Lent. Last weekend was special for me because I able to partake in some special liturgies. On Saturday, we celebrated two rituals during Mass. The first was the Rite of Sending of the Catechumens for Election which was celebrated for Konner Vedrode and Roger Strenlow. The second was the rite of Calling the Candidates to Continuing Conversion, celebrated for Jennifer Mikek. It was wonderful for the parish to pray together in loving support of these people who seek to join us at table. Congratulations to Konner, Roger and Jennifer.

Sunday afternoon I was Deacon for the two celebrations of the Rite of Election which brought Catechumens to the cathedral from around the Diocese of Saginaw. Konner and Roger were both present all with their sponsors. There Bishop Gruss elected the Catechumens to be Baptized, Confirmed, and receive Eucharist at this year's Easter Vigil in their home parish. I was brought back to the moment in time 16 years ago as my name was read aloud, I signed the book of Elect, and the book was paraded about the Cathedral. It is a simple but touching service.

During his homily Bishop Gruss continued to remind all present that this journey for the Elect, along with the rest of us, is a journey toward deeper relationship with Jesus. This period for those seeking baptism at the Vigil is referred to as the Period of Purification and Enlightenment. It is what Lent is for all of us. We deepen our prayer life, and our sacrifice at this time. We should ensure that its goal is to be drawn into deeper relationship. In the words of Bishop Gruss during his homily at the Rite of election, "...we should not so much seek to know more about Jesus, but to know Jesus more."

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Let us all know Jesus more through our journey this Lent.

Peace and blessings,

Deacon Todd

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