



St. Vincent de Paul Parish

March 14, 2021
The Fourth 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 begin in the 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 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.



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



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

MARCH 14, 2021

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

Liz Bacon
Bill Daniels
Doug Dodge
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Tish Mallory
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Parish Office Hours: Monday through Thursday. Please call to schedule an appointment, 828-5720.

Community Prayer

Monday, March 15

Is 65:17-21 / Jn 4:43-54
Virtual Stations of the Cross: 3:00pm (Nativity of the Lord)

Tuesday, March 16

Ez 47:1-9, 12 / Jn 5:1-16
St. Vincent: 6:00pm Evening Prayer *Live & Livestreamed*

Wednesday, March 17

Feast of St. Patrick
Is 49:8-15 / Jn 5:17-30
St. Patrick: 6:00pm Mass

Thursday, March 18

Ex 32:7-14 / Jn 5:31-47
St. Vincent: 10:00am Morning Prayer *Live only*
St. Vincent: 7:00-9:00pm Private Reconciliation

Friday, March 19

Feast of St. Joseph, Spouse of Virgin Mary
2 Sm 7:4-5a, 12-14a, 16 / Rom 4:13, 16-18, 22
3:00pm Virtual Stations of the Cross *Livestreamed only*

Saturday, March 20

Jer 11:18-20 / Jn 7:40-53
St. Vincent: 3:00-4:00pm Private Reconciliations
St. Vincent: 4:30pm Mass *Live only*

Sunday, March 21

Fifth Sunday of Lent
Ex 37:12-14 / Rom 8:8-11 / Jn 11:1-45
St Vincent: 10:00am Mass *Live & Livestreamed*

Please hold in Prayer:

✠Patricia Homister (nee Fanning), ✠Kathryn Hansen (nee Earl), Jacob Moeggenborg, Sarah Kunik, 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.

Reminder

Please fill out the Disciple Maker Survey on line at <https://portal.catholicleaders.org/dmi/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.

Faith Formation Class

Regular meeting (in-person) on March 17, 6:30pm.

Children's Sacramental Preparation

There's an extra meeting (in-person) for students and parents on Wednesday, March 24, at 6:30pm.

Food Pantry Needs

Spaghetti, spaghetti sauce, noodles, cereal, Kleenex, toilet paper, cake mixes, cans of fruit, hamburger helper, and toothbrushes.

End of Year Contribution Statements

Statements are available on request. Call our office.

<u>Stewardship</u>	<u>March 6 & 7, 2021</u>	
Building Improvement *	\$	230.00
St Leo Cemetery *	\$	35.00
St Patrick Cemetery *	\$	360.00
St. Vincent de Paul Cemetery *	\$	50.00
St. Patrick Repair & Maintenance	\$	100.00
Food Pantry *	\$	275.00
Easter Flowers	\$	45.00
Parish Outreach *	\$	40.00
Catholic Relief Services	\$	20.00
<i>* Includes on-line donations</i>		
	General	Year
	Collection	to Date
March 6 & 7	\$ 4,678.00	
Feb On-Line	\$ 5,995.00	\$ 177,656.39
Weekly Budget	\$ 4,625.00	\$ 166,500.00

Catholic Relief Services Collection

Jesus in Disguise

Your support for this collection gives aid to victims of persecution and natural disasters, provides legal services to poor immigrants, and advocates for the powerless. Through your generosity, six Catholic agencies help Jesus in the guise of the vulnerable refugee, the immigrant family, and the poor and marginalized. Please prayerfully consider contributing to The Catholic Relief Services Collection.

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 Openings

St. Vincent de Paul Parish is looking for a **part-time Bookkeeper** to support the day-to-day operations of our parish. The Bookkeeper is 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 parish office (989-828-5720) for a job description.

Send resume and cover letter.

Email to:

Deacon Todd Lovas, Pastoral Administrator,
deacontodd@stvincentdp.com

(list "Parish Bookkeeper" in subject line)

OR *Mail to:*

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

St. Joseph, Beal City: Full-time Director/ Coordinator of Religious Education

30-35 hours per week; hourly; responsible for religious education for K-12th, Sacramental Preparation and Adult Faith Formation. Duties are varied in nature and require initiative, good judgment, organizational ability, and knowledge of the inter-related functions of the position and the parish.

Please email cover letter, resume and references by March 31, 2021: stjosephtheworkerbcparish@gmail.com or mail Father Tom Held, Pastor, St. Joseph the Worker, 2163 N. Winn Rd., Mount Pleasant, MI 48858. Phone (989) 644-2041.

Dear friends in Christ,

As we continue to support our Elect; Konner Vedrode and Roger Strenlow and our Candidate; Jennifer Mikek as they approach the Easter sacraments, it is good for us to reflect our own relationship with God. What does this relationship mean for us. What do we mean when we say we are Christian?

In the first paragraph of his encyclical *God Is Love (Dues Caritas Est)* Pope Benedict XVI writes:

"Being Christian is not the result of an ethical choice or a lofty idea, but the encounter with an event, a person, which gives life a new horizon and a decisive direction."

An encounter which gives life a new horizon. This is what Konner, Roger, and Jennifer are journeying toward; a new horizon walked with Christ. For those of us whose baptism is years, or decades in the past, it would be easy to assume the new horizon was set long ago. But each reception of Eucharist, each Reconciliation and Anointing is a new encounter. Each time we accompany someone else to the sacraments, as sponsor or as community, we are present with Jesus.

Just like someone journeying in a plane across the skies continuously experiences a new horizon, God reaffirms our direction in each encounter. Maybe we are called to a radical turn because we are nowhere near where we should be. Perhaps we must make a minor course adjustment due to changes in the prevailing winds. Or just maybe we check in with tower control to verify that we are on course. In all circumstances, the Sacraments are not merely events to complete, but profound encounters with Jesus. Let us all welcome the direction God sets for us, as we each journey to new horizons.

Peace and blessings,

Deacon Todd

Lay Ministry Information Virtual Meetings

Is God calling you to do more? Learn more at one of three virtual information sessions: 1) Sun., March 14 at 1:30pm; 2) Tues., April 13 at 6:30pm; 3) Sat., May 1 at 10:00 a.m.

Until May 15, the Office of Lay Ministry will be accepting applications for the 4 year program this September. It includes Scripture and Catholic theology to deepen their relationship with God and fulfill their baptismal call to serve others. These meetings are for anyone interested in learning about Lay Ministry. Since these are virtual meetings, **registration is required**. Please telephone Kellie, 989-797-6609 or email her at kdeming@dioceseofsaginaw.org. She will send the link to join the meeting.

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