

Weekend Mass Sunday 10:00am (Livestreamed) Saturday 4:30pm (Mask & Social Distancing Required)

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St. Vincent de Paul Parish

May 16, 2021 The Ascension of the Lord

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. between10am & noon to set Friday appointment. Food donations may be left in our church.

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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: Individual reconciliations 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.

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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

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 KalmarNancy ScovillJackie LoomisCraig ShanteauDon MoeggenbergTimothy SierackiJudy MoldenhauerDavid SpindlerTom MoomeyKaylie Willoughby

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, May 17 Acts 19:1-8 / Jn 16:29-33

<u>Tuesday, May 18</u> Acts 20:17-27 / Jn 17:1-11a

Wednesday, May 19

Acts 20:28-38 / Jn 17:11b-19 St. Vincent: 10:00am Mass *Live & Livestreamed*

Thursday, May 20

Acts 22:30; 23:6-11 / Jn 17:20-26 St. Vincent: 10:00am Morning Prayer

Friday, May 21 Acts 25:13b-21 / Jn 21:15-19

Saturday, May 22

Pentecost Vigil Joel 3:1-5 / Rom 8:22-27 / Jn 7:31-39 St. Vincent: 4:30pm Mass

<u>Sunday, May 23</u>

Pentecost Sunday Acts 2:1-11 / 1 Cor 12:3b-7, 12-13 Jn 20:19-23 OR Jn 15:16-27; 16:12-15 St Vincent: 10:00am Mass *Live & Livestreamed*

Please hold in Prayer:

✤John Wezensky, Betty Wezensky, Larry
₩ezensky, Joe Kelso, Mary Lou Willoughby,
Jacob Moeggenborg, Evelyn Burtovoy, Joshua
Lukens, Sr. Marie Kopin, Fr. Joe Fix, 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, Jim Platt, Tom Krafft,
Frank Lapinski, Delores Miller, Kinsley & the
Binkowski Family, nursing home residents, essential workers, and the sick and homebound.

Bible Study

Adult Bible Study has resumed and is every Thursday at 10:45am in the St. Vincent room of the school. All welcome to attend!

Graduates—Let Us Know Who You Are!

It's time to celebrate YOU! We'd like to recognize you at Mass. Please give us a call.

Blood Donations are Essential Red Cross Blood Drive

We will host a drive in St. Vincent Parish Hall THIS WEEK: Wed, May 19, noon-5pm. To schedule an appointment, call 1-800-733-2767. Volunteers are welcome to help unload the truck or at the drive. Call the parish office

Food Pantry Needs

Ketchup, mustard, noodles, cereal, Kleenex, toilet paper, cake mixes, cans of fruit, Hamburger Helper, and toothbrushes.

<u>Stewardship</u> May 8 & 9, 2021			
Building Improvement * St Leo Cemetery *		\$	123.00 85.00
St Patrick Cemetery *		\$ \$	100.00
St. Vincent Cemetery *		\$	55.00
Parish Outreach *		\$	90.00
St. Patrick Repair/Maintenance		\$	100.00
Food Pantry *		\$	190.00
* Includes April on-line donations			
	General	Year	
	Collection	to Date	
May 8 & 9	\$ 3,232.00		
April On-Line	\$ 5,990.00	\$ 228,955.79	
Weekly Budget	\$ 4,625.00	\$ 208	8,125.00

Wasting Time with God: Liturgy of the Hours

In preparation for writing this week, I spent some time with a book off of my shelf "A Layman's Guide to the Liturgy of the Hours." In the first chapter Fr. Timothy Gallagher, O.M.V. recalls different stories of encountering the Liturgy of the Hours in the lives of lay people. He tells of a college student who encountered Night Prayer on campus, and went on to incorporate Morning and Evening prayer into her daily life. Fr. Timothy writes "She comments, 'It seemed to be the kind of prayer that works best for me.' It became a staple of her life as a wife and mother and professional person."

I call that out not because of the reference to the Liturgy of the Hours so much as the phrase "the kind of prayer that works best for me." As lifelong disciples of Christ we need to find that which works best for us, knowing that it may change as we grow in faith, and make it a staple of our lives. In that time, our relationship grows and we learn deeply that Jesus calls us friends.

The core of the Liturgy of the Hours is the Psalms of the Old Testament. The Psalms, beautiful, sung prayers that cover the range of human experience, were an integral part of the lives of the Jews in the Old Testament. In fact throughout the Gospel we see Jesus himself praying the Psalms; like he did from the Cross praying the first verse of Psalm 22 "My God, my God, why have you abandoned me."

If the Psalms are the core, the framework for the Liturgy of the Hours are a clock and a liturgical calendar. The name *Liturgy of the Hours* comes from the fact that different prayers were prayed at specific hours of the day, 3:00AM, 6:00AM, 9:00AM, 12:00PM, 3:00PM, 6:00PM & 9:00PM. In praying at specific times of the day, the church in unity takes parts in making time sacred. While the prayers are changed throughout the hours of the day, they also follow a 4-week cycle and that repeats itself in an almost lunar-like way that ebbs and flows through our lives. The hours also change slightly in keeping with the various liturgical seasons, so that the various hours during the 1st week of Advent feel different than the 1st week of Ordinary time or Lent, even though the same Psalms are prayed.

I will continue the Liturgy of the Hours next week.

Peace and blessings,

Deacon Todd

Parish Pastoral Council

Our parish has an opening on our parish Pastoral Council. Please fill out this nomination form and return it to the office or drop it in the collection basket. Nominate yourself or someone else you believe would be a good Council member. Council members must practicing Catholics and registered members of the parish, participants in parish worship life (in attendance at weekend Mass at St. Vincent de Paul Church), and at least 18 years of age.

I nominate

for Parish Pastoral Council.

