



# St. Vincent de Paul Parish

May 2, 2021

The Fifth Sunday of Easter

## 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:* 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.

### 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

**MAY 2, 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  
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Tom Moomey Kaylie Willoughby

**Finance Council**

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Doug Dodge  
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Bob Wachowski

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

***Community Prayer***

**Monday, May 3**

1 Cor 15:1-8 / Jn 14:6-14

**Tuesday, May 4**

Acts 14:19-28 / Jn 14:27-31a

**Wednesday, May 5**

Acts 15:1-6 / Jn 15:1-8

St. Vincent: 10:00am Mass *Livestreamed*

**Thursday, May 6**

Acts 15:7-21 / Jn 15:9-11

St. Vincent: 10:00am Morning Prayer

**Friday, May 7**

Acts 15:22-31 / Jn 15:12-17

**Saturday, May 8**

Acts 16:1-10 / Jn 15:18-21

St. Vincent: 4:30pm Mass

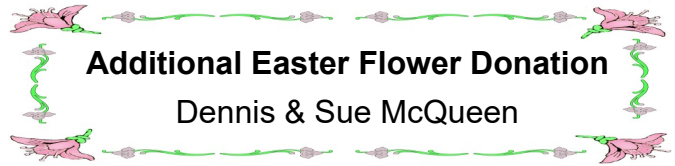
**Sunday, May 9**

Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Acts 10:25-26, 34-35, 44-48 / 1 Jn 4:7-10

Jn 15:9-17

St Vincent: 10:00am Mass *Livestreamed*



**Additional Easter Flower Donation**

Dennis & Sue McQueen

**Please hold in Prayer:**

✠Anna Hoffman, ✠Joshua Morgan, Joe Kelso, Jacob Moeggenborg, Evelyn Burtovoy, Joshua Lukens, Sr. Marie Kopin, Fr. Joe Fix, Janice Blanchard, Al Dickman, Richard Bernard, Pansy Thaller, Betty Langlois, Pat Welgs, 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!

**Life In Our Parish**

Last Saturday Lucy Mae Lark joined our community through the Sacrament of Baptism. Lucy is the daughter of Kyle and Megan. We wish them congratulations and blessings!

**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.

**Food Pantry Needs**

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

<b>Stewardship</b>		<b>April 24 &amp; 25, 2021</b>	
Building Improvement	\$	75.00	
St Leo Cemetery	\$	75.00	
St Patrick Cemetery	\$	160.00	
St. Vincent Cemetery	\$	50.00	
Parish Outreach	\$	35.00	
St. Patrick Repair/Maintenance	\$	350.00	
Catholic Relief Services	\$	20.00	
Easter Flowers	\$	20.00	
Cemetery Paving	\$	100.00	
	<b>General Collection</b>	<b>Year to Date</b>	
April 24 & 25	\$ 5,505.01	\$ 208,893.79	
Weekly Budget	\$ 4,625.00	\$ 198,875.00	

**From our Diocese**

To assist families in Safe Environment/Virtus concerns, Bishop Gruss has authorized use of the ***Knights of Columbus Protecting Our Children Guide for Families***. The Guides are free and in our entries. Please feel free to take one.

**If you are a victim/survivor of clergy abuse** or know of someone who is, you are urged to make contact with local law enforcement and the Michigan Attorney General’s investigation hotline at 844-324-3374. You may also contact our diocesan Victim Assistance Coordinator for counseling services: *victim.assistance@dioceseofsaginaw.org* or 989-797-6682.

**If you have cause to suspect** a child or young person is being neglected or abused by anyone, immediately contact the Michigan Department of Health and Human Services on their 24 hour hotline, 855-444-3911. If you are currently witnessing abuse or neglect, call 911.

Is God calling you to do more? Are you interested in **learning about Lay Ministry**? Until May 15, our Diocesan Office of Lay Ministry will be accepting applications for the four-week program beginning in September. To find out more, contact Kellie at 989-797-6609 or *kdeming@dioceseofsaginaw.org*

**Two Diocesan Positions** have recently been posted on the Diocesan website. They are **Director of Administrative Services** and **Director of Parish Life and Evangelization**. The application deadline for both positions is May 17, 2021. Details of the openings and the job descriptions can be found at: <https://saginaw.org/employment/diocese-saginaw/director-administrative-services>  
<https://saginaw.org/employment/diocese-saginaw/director-parish-life-and-evangelization>

Dear Friends in Christ,

For the next few weeks, I hope that you find this column helps you waste time. Steve Angrisano tells a story of a monk from Saint Meinrad speaking to youth at a conference about prayer. The monk tells all these high school students that prayer is a big waste of time. As a monk he prays 7 times a day and it seems a big waste of time because we expect these big things to happen.

But just like the teens who “waste time” with their friends something happens below the surface. When two kids hang out, playing games, listening to music, or any other youthful activity, a relationship forms. And the more they do it the closer they become, they become aware of each other’s needs, desires, fears, hopes and dreams. The activity wasn’t necessarily constructive, but the relationship that forms is.

Prayer draws us into deeper relationship with God. God know us intimately, and through prayer, we can grow to know him similarly. We also learn, through prayer to know how deeply God knows and loves us.

For the next few weeks I will be focusing this column on prayer. I will be writing on ways to pray, its history and tradition, and how we can approach it more deeply. From structured prayer, to more experiential forms, I will seek to cover a wide variety. If there is a particular manner of prayer you would like to learn more about, drop me a message and I will try to include it.

Excuse me, while I go waste a little time...with God.

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.

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