



St. Vincent de Paul Parish

December 26, 2021

The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph

Life In Our Community

Children's Faith Formation: Contact Mary Moomey for information.

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

Food Pantry: Call to set a Friday appointment. Food donations welcomed on the first weekend of each month, or at our office Monday-Thursday., 10am-3pm.

K of C: 2nd Wed. of month. 7:30pm

Bulletin by Mail or email: 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. Starts in January

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

(Masks required if you aren't immunized)

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

DECEMBER 26, 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

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| Kaylie Willoughby (<i>Chairperson</i>) | |
| Nancy Scovill (<i>Vice Chair</i>) | |
| Jackie Loomis (<i>Secretary</i>) | |
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| Tom Moomey | David Spindler |

Parish Finance Council

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| Doug Dodge (<i>Chairperson</i>) | Kim Recker |
| Leah Rau (<i>Vice-Chair</i>) | Sam Moeggenberg |
| Liz Bacon (<i>Secretary</i>) | Bob Wachowski |

Parish Office Hours: Monday through Thursday, 9am—4pm

Kraft Family Benefit Dinner

The Shepherd Knights of Columbus are hosting a Soup & Salad Benefit Dinner at St. Vincent de Paul Parish hall on Saturday, January 15, 5:00-7:30pm.

A few additional soups for the event would be appreciated, as well as cookies & brownies.

A sign-up sheet
s in the main entrance of the church.

Questions? 989-854-2831

Please hold in Prayer:

Carolyn Gall, Karolyn Hoffman, Dorothy Huber, Evelyn Burtovoy, Ed Filhart, Sr. Marie Kopin, Mary Lou Willoughby, Joe Kelso, Joshua Lukens, Richard Bernard, Pansy Thaller, Betty Langlois, Rosie Kenny, Bob Dell, Cathy, Ella Kenny, Mike Ley, Mary Ann Slack, Larry Noyes, Jim Platt, Frank Lapinski, Delores Miller, Kinsley & the Binkowski Family, nursing home residents, essential workers, and the sick and homebound.

Community Prayer

Monday, December 27

1 Jn 1:1-4 / Jn 20:1a, 2-8

Tuesday, December 28

1 Jn 1:5—2:2 / Mt 2:13-18

Wednesday, December 29

1 Jn 2:3-11 / Lk 2:22-35

St. Vincent: *NO Mass*

St. Patrick: *NO Prayer Service & Potluck*

Thursday, December 30

1 Jn 2:12-17 / Lk 2:36-40

St. Vincent: *NO Morning Prayer*

Friday, December 31

1 Jn 2:18-21 / Jn 1:1-18

Saturday, January 1

Nm 6:22-27 / Gal 4:4-7 / Lk 2:16-21

St. Vincent: 10:00am Mass, Mary, Mother of God
(No Mass at 4:30pm today)

Sunday, January 2

Epiphany of the Lord

Is 60:1-6 / Eph 3:2-3a, 5-6 / Mt 2:1-12

St Vincent: 10:00am Mass *Live & Livestreamed*

Many thanks for the generous support you gave this year's Christmas Outreach. Whether you gave your time as a volunteer, or gave items, all have been most appreciated. Special thanks to the Knights of Columbus for the wrapping paper, ribbons, and other items. Outreach served 400 families this year, with about 1400 individuals. May your Christmas be blessed as you have blessed others in need.
-Christmas Outreach

Stewardship **December 19, 2021**

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| Building Improvement Fund | \$ 3.00 |
| St. Leo Cemetery | \$ 75.00 |
| St. Patrick Cemetery | \$ 40.00 |
| St. Vincent Cemetery | \$ 1,290.00 |
| St. Patrick Repairs & Maintenance | \$ 1,540.00 |
| Seasonal Flowers | \$ 80.00 |
| Food Pantry | \$ 40.00 |
| Parish Outreach | \$ 70.00 |
| Religious Retirement | \$ 460.00 |
| Campaign for Human Develop. | \$ 10.00 |
| Christmas Offering | \$ 10.00 |

| | General Collection | Year to Date |
|--------------------|---------------------------|---------------------|
| December 19, 2021 | \$ 8,187.00 | |
| Misc. Contribution | \$ 1,200.00 | \$107,117.57 |
| Weekly Budget | \$ 5,027.00 | \$125,675.00 |

THE HOLY FAMILY OF JESUS, MARY AND JOSEPH

Sacramental Prep for Children

This year we'll combine lessons and projects that will be done at home (easy-to-do activity materials provided) and some lessons and activities for parents and children that will be done at St. Vincent de Paul Church.

The first required meeting is Tuesday, Jan. 11 from 6:30-7:30pm. Other meetings at the church are at the same time on Feb. 1, Feb. 22, and April 5.

First Holy Communion is Sunday, May 1. Rehearsal is Saturday, April 30 in the morning (time tba).

If you have questions, please talk to me or Deacon Todd.

Peace,

Mary

Bishop Encourages Aid to Tornado Victims

In response to tornadoes that left a path of destruction from Arkansas to Kentucky last weekend, Bishop Robert Gruss is encouraging parishes to help those who have been impacted.

Monetary donations may be made at all participating parishes. Funds will be sent to the Diocese of Owensboro, where much of the devastation appears to be concentrated. Donations also may be mailed to the Diocese of Saginaw at 5800 Weiss Street, Saginaw, MI 48603, and should be made out to the "Diocese of Saginaw" indicating on the memo portion of the check "*Diocese of Owensboro Relief.*"

Please join us in praying for all those who have been devastated by the recent tornados: those who have lost their lives so suddenly; the families forever changed by grief and loss; and those who are ministering and serving in the impacted areas. May they receive the compassion and comfort of our Lord.

(Excerpted from saginawdiocese.org)

Celebration Schedule

St. Vincent de Paul Church

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| Sun., Dec. 26 | Feast of the Holy Family | 10am |
| Sat., Jan. 1 | Solemnity of Mary <i>(No Saturday Vigil Mass)</i> | 10am |
| Sun., Jan. 2 | Epiphany of the Lord | 10am |

Dear Friends in Christ,

Merry Christmas, I say again Merry Christmas. It is so good to rejoice with you in celebration of the birth of our Savior. It is always incredible to me that the Creator of everything visible and invisible chose to take on our human nature. And if that weren't enough, he chose to come not as a powerful ruler or warrior but born as a poor, helpless child in the midst of a family.

In a way, it is funny that we flip the sign on the Grotto to "Christ in Christmas" during this Christmas season. For the most part, we hear the readings that include the holy family during this liturgical season. "Christ in the family" is very appropriate at this time as well.

These past 22 months have been a hardship, for individuals as well as families. The losses in our families and in our parishes have been real. We come to yet another Christmas where someone is celebrating without someone for the first time. This month's Faith Saginaw magazine has a couple of articles about grief and bearing loss, it is a good read for us all. Let us all try to remember this season with love and mercy and compassion for those having to deal with the season in a challenging way.

Many of us are familiar with a popular Christmas tune, "Mary did you know?" It is a beautiful tune that tugs at heartstrings. But in a way, as people of faith, we answer that question for Mary with an incredulous, YES! We know that Christ's birth and his mission were made known to Mary "by the message of an angel." We stand gathered, united in a common faith that Christ accomplished all that the Father intended, and that he accompanies us through whatever we go through to this day.

So I encourage you, dear friends, today and throughout this Christmas season to greet your neighbor with love and kindness, so they may see that you rejoice, for Emmanuel has come to us.

Merry Christmas,
Deacon Todd



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