

#### **Weekend Mass** Sunday 10:00am (Livestreamed) Saturday 4:30pm

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## St. Vincent de Paul Parish

#### April 3, 2022 The Fifth Sunday of Lent

#### 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

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. In Lent, Saturdays. 3-4pm.

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

#### **APRIL 3, 2022**

<u>Parish Mission Statement</u>: 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

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Parish Office Hours: Mon. through Thurs., 9am—4pm

## Knights of Columbus Tootsie Roll Drive

The Shepherd K of C will be braving the main intersections of Shepherd &Winn this coming weekend (April 8/9) to provide an opportunity for our community to support special needs children & adults.

All funds collected are given to local and state organizations.

Thanks in advance for your generosity!

#### **Knights of Columbus Garage Sale**

During the Maple Syrup Festival, the annual Fund Raising Garage Sale will be held at the St. Vincent church hall April 22 (Friday, 8am-5pm) and April 23 (Saturday, 8am-noon).

We ask you to kindly consider donating any usable, unwanted items for this event (no clothing, please).

Proceeds will be used for charitable purposes.

#### **Community Prayer**

#### Monday, April 4

Dn 13:1-9, 15-17, 19-30, 33-62 / Jn 8:12-20

#### Tuesday, April 5

Nm 21:4-9 / Jn 8:21-30

St. Vincent: 10:00am Morning Prayer

St. Vincent: 6:30pm Book Study No Greater Love

#### Wednesday, April 6

Dn 3:14-20, 91-92, 95 / Jn 8:31-42 St. Vincent: 10:00am Morning Prayer

St. Vincent: 10:45 Bible Study (St. Vincent room)

St. Patrick: 6:00pm Stations of the Cross

#### Thursday, April 7

Gn 17:3-9 / Jn 8:51-59

St. Vincent: 6:00pm Evening Prayer with

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament

#### Friday, April 8

Jer 20:10-13 / Jn 10:31-42

St. Vincent: 1:00pm Stations of the Cross

#### Saturday, April 9

Ez 37:21-28 / Jn 11:45-56

St. Vincent: 4:30pm Mass (Begins in Parish Hall)

#### Palm Sunday, April 10

Passion of the Lord

Lk 19:28-40 / Is 50:4-7 / Phil 2:6-11 / Lk 22:14—23:56 St Vincent: 10:00am Mass (Begins in Parish Hall)

#### Please hold in Prayer:

People of Ukraine, Pansy Thaller, Karolyn Hoffman, Dorothy Huber, Evelyn Burtovoy, Bob Dell, Sr. Marie Kopin, Rosie Kenny, Ella Kenny, Larry Noyes, Frank Lapinski, Delores Miller, Kinsley & the Binkowski Family, nursing home residents, essential workers, and the sick and homebound.

#### **Many Hands Make Light Work!**

April 6 is *Garden Maintenance Day* at St. Vincent de Paul Church. The work bee starts at 1:00pm. Please bring gloves and garden tools.

Also keep in mind that we'll be tidying up our cemeteries. Please remove Christmas items.

<u>Stewardship</u>			March	27, 2022
Building Improvement Fund			\$	50.00
St. Leo Cemetery			\$	35.00
St. Vincent Cemetery			\$	10.00
St. Patrick Cemetery Easter Flowers			\$	5.00 305.00
Food Pantry			\$ \$	100.00
Catholic Relief Services			\$	520.00
		Collection		
March 27 Weekly Budget	\$ \$	4,870.00 5,027.00		98.197.13 96,053.00

#### **Children's Faith Formation**

Classes will meet this weekend (April 3) as usual.

#### **Even Little Ones Missed Events During Covid**

It's time to remind our children that fun things happen here at our parish! The Easter Egg hunt will be held after our 10am Mass on Easter Sunday. Bring something to put your eggs in, and bring boots in case of rain.

#### **Lay Ministry Applications**

Interested in becoming a lay minister? Participate in a virtual information meeting on Sat., April 23, 1:30-3:00pm. For information and the link, contact Deb, *dpopielarz@dioceseofsaginaw.org* or 989-797-6660.

#### Marriage Preparation Workshop at Diocese

An in-person workshop for engaged couples will be help April 23, 9am-4pm at the Center for Ministry, 5802 Weiss St., Saginaw. Cost is \$40 per person, lunch & beverages provided. Register with Maria Coss, mcoss@dioceseofsaginaw.org. (Another preparation workshop will be July 30.)

#### Focus on Life

Right to Life of Central Michigan will host its annual benefit dinner on April 21 at Buck's Run. Reservations are \$20 student / \$30 person / \$180 for a table of 8. For information call Pastor Ted Orwig, 989-572-8829.

#### Migrant Ministry

Our diocese invites you to join in support for migrants. You may make donations payable to the Catholic Diocese of Saginaw (with Migrant Ministry in the memo line)

and mail to 5800 Weiss St., Saginaw, MI 48603.

<u>Year 2021 Contribution Statements</u> are available for tax returns. Call our office

#### Preparing for First Communion May 1

They're still preparing and we're still praying. Our First Communicants are::

James Baker Emery Bellinger Joey Funk Amelia Hoppe Emily Johnson Cade Lalone Grant Leonard
Oliver Mikek
Ava Neuhaus
Landen Neuhaus
Evelyn Rau
Blayne Smith

Also, please keep in prayer all those across our diocese and in our parish who will receive Easter Sacraments at the Easter Vigil.

#### The Hopeful Future Scholarship

The launch of a scholarship fund to support women experiencing an unplanned pregnancy has been announced.

The Hopeful Future Scholarship, which will help women complete their higher education at Delta Community College or Saginaw Valley State University, was born out of a desire to help mothers and their children.

"This is something I began praying with— how can I do something radically different that might actually prevent the loss of an innocent life, or at the very least give a profound witness to the value of both the mother's life as well as her baby's life," said Madison Velez, an SVSU student who served as vice president last year of Protect Life SVSU.

Matt Bartels, last year's president, suggested a scholarship for pregnant women and mothers. Madison believed the idea was inspired by the Holy Spirit, but they didn't know where to begin.

"I knew that our Lord would point us in the right direction," she said.

Madison contacted Lori Becker, coordinator of diocesan outreach and former Respect Life coordinator for the Diocese of Saginaw, who introduced the pair to Kristin Smith, the executive director of the Catholic Community Foundation of Mid-Michigan. An endowment was established to provide annual scholarships with a significant donation by Michael Marsden in memory of his late wife, pro-life volunteer Helen Marsden. Numerous additional donors also supported the fund.

Over one-third of women who have an abortion are college-aged, and 73 percent of women choose abortion due to financial reasons.

The Hopeful Future Scholarship will be renewable one time and provides tuition assistance to pregnant and parenting students at Delta and SVSU. As the endowment fund increases, the hope is to expand the scholarship to all eight colleges within the Diocese of Saginaw.

The name 'The Hopeful Future Scholarship' was chosen because of its reference to Jeremiah 29:11 and the theological virtue of hope.

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