



# St. Vincent de Paul Parish

April 9, 2023

## Easter Sunday The Resurrection of the Lord

### Life In Our Community

*Children's Faith Formation:* Classes follow Sunday Mass. Contact Mary Moomey for information and/or registration.

*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. Registration forms in our entries.

*Reconciliation:* Individual confessions are heard 1/2 hour 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**  
**Saturday 4:30pm**  
**Sunday 10:00am**

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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

## APRIL 9, 2023

**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

Kaylie Willoughby ( <i>Chairperson</i> )	Don Moeggenberg
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### Parish Finance Council

Leah Rau ( <i>Chairperson</i> )	Kim Recker
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Liz Bacon ( <i>Secretary</i> )	Bob Wachowski
Jerry Jaloszynski	

## Community Prayer

### Monday, April 10

Acts 2:14, 22-33 / Mt 25:8-15

### Tuesday, April 11

Acts 2:36-41 / Jn 20:11-18

St. Vincent: "Come and See Dinner" (Men 14 & up)  
7:00pm Holy Hour with Bishop Gruss

### Wednesday, April 12

Acts 3:1-10 / Lk 24:13-35

St. Patrick: 6:00pm Evening Prayer & Potluck

### Thursday, April 13

Acts 3:11-26 / Lk 24:35-48

St. Vincent: 10:00am Morning Prayer

### Friday, April 14

Acts 4:1-12 / Jn 21:1-14

### Saturday, April 15

Acts 4:13-21 / Mk 16:9-15

St. Vincent: 4:00pm Rosary

St. Vincent: 4:30pm Mass

### Sunday, April 16

The Second Sunday of Easter

Acts 2:43-47 / 1 Pt 1:3-9 / Jn 20:19-31

St. Vincent: 9:30am Rosary

St. Vincent: 10:00am Mass

## K of C Corner

The Shepherd Knights of Columbus will hold their annual sale in the St. Vincent Hall to benefit community and charitable causes during the Maple Syrup Festival.

They will accept donated items for the sale (no clothing, please). If you have a question about items you'd like to donate, please call Bob Wachowski, 989-854-2831.

### Please hold in Prayer:

Kendall Lalone, Gabriella Gruca, Jerry McCaul, Nancy Scovill, Scott Smith, Emily (Burch) Jackson, Zora Walsh, Teresa Arnold, Ryan Noyes, Larry Noyes, Sister Marie Kopin, Kinsley & the Binkowski Family, disaster victims, nursing home residents, and the sick and homebound.

### Good News

Don & Grace Hoffman's 7th wedding anniversary is April 25. Drop a card or a note to them at Deerfield AFC, 2951 W. Deerfield, Mt. Pleasant.

24 Units of Blood were collected at the **Red Cross Blood Drive here** last week. Thank you to our volunteers and to our blood donors!

### Diocesan 2023-24 Pro-Life Events

The Office of Parish Life & Evangelization announces the following:

**November 8, 2023** – March for Life in Lansing organized by Nat'l March for Life & RTL of Mich.

**January 19, 2024** – Nat'l March for Life, Washington D.C. Bishop Gruss will join us and thousands. Also attend a Students for Life Summit Jan. 20. Save: Jan. 18–21. Call Lori Becker, 989.797.6652. .

### Stewardship April 2, 2023

General Collection		Yr. to Date
Collection	\$ 4,172.01	
Online Sun. Collection	\$ 4990.00	\$223,412.52
Weekly Budget x 2	\$ 5,343.75	\$213,750.00
<b>Designated Funds Contributions</b>		
Building Improvement Fund *	\$	420.00
St. Leo Cemetery *	\$	45.00
St. Patrick Cemetery	\$	55.00
Food Pantry *	\$	135.00
St Patrick Repair & Maint.	\$	200.00
Catholic Relief Services	\$	20.00
Seasonal Flowers	\$	75.00
Parish Outreach	\$	25.00

\* Includes online donations

## THE RESURRECTION OF THE LORD

### **VIP Parishioners to Receive First Eucharist**

They've prepared and will continue to prepare until the big day, Sunday, May 7. Please encourage them and keep them in prayer.

Curtis Fox     Daphne Krafft     Evan Bennett.

### **Parish Position Posted**

Our parish will hire a secretary/bookkeeper. A description of the position is on the diocesan website: <https://saginaw.org/employment>. The website also has info on two more open positions here. **How to Apply** info is on the job description page.

### **St. Patrick Irishtown Cemetery Clean-Up**

Saturday, April 22, 2023 at 8:30am with potluck following. Rain back-up day Sunday, April 23, at 1:30 pm. Volunteers welcome.

### **St. Vincent & St. Leo Cemetery Care**

Please tidy up gravesites and remove tattered decorations from our cemeteries by April 15. Parish personnel will clean up after that date and remove items that will be in the path of mowers.

### **April 29 - "Spirituality in Ministry" Enrichment**

This event is offered by the Office of Parish Life & Evangelization Sat., Apr. 29, 9am– noon at the Center for Ministry. Guest speaker is Bill O'Brien, Executive Director of *Strangers No Longer*. Spiritual care affirms the value of every person and enables them to freely share their private concerns and have them heard. This helps them cope and facilitates supportive ministry. Befrienders, Grief Facilitators/Support, Lay Ministers, Deacons, Pastoral Ministers and Walking with Moms Ministers are invited. Continental breakfast is followed by fellowship, reflection, enrichment, & prayer. Check in at 8:30am. \$20 registration fee includes all materials. Go to <https://saginaw.org/event/spirituality-ministry>. Need help registering? Call Amy at 989.797.6654 or [adore@diosag.org](mailto:adore@diosag.org) For info call Lori, 989.797.6652 or [lbecker@diosag.org](mailto:lbecker@diosag.org)

### **Honoring Graduates**

Did you recently graduate or is graduation approaching? We'd like to honor you during a Mass later this spring. We appreciate the pomp and ceremony so we hope you'll wear your cap and gown.

### **Lay Ecclesial Ministry Application Period**

Will end May 15. For info, call Deb, 989-797-6660 or [dpopielarz@diosag.org](mailto:dpopielarz@diosag.org).

Dear Friends in Christ,

Christ is risen; He is risen indeed.

I am writing to you on the eve of the Triduum, thinking ahead to the joy of Easter. As I sit here, thinking of all the great moments we will experience together liturgically, it is easy to get overwhelmed. The humility of washing feet, the joy of remembering the institution of the Eucharist. The journey to the Garden of Gethsemane, the disciples fleeing, and Peter's denial. The trial, the crowds, and the shouts of "Crucify him, crucify him." The crown and the nails. Embracing the cross: an instrument of death and the Tree of Life. Gathering in the darkness and finding the light of our life in the empty tomb.

So much of our faith lies within this complex duality. We are people in need of salvation, yet in Christ's saving action, we have been saved. The crucifix at Holy Spirit Church in Shields has a corpus resembling the crucified Christ and the risen Christ breaking free of the cross. The cross has a hole in the center, reminding the viewer that we pass through the cross. We live as people on both sides of the cross. On the crucified side, not in despair, but in realizing the Joy of the Resurrection. On the risen side, always remembering our need for the saving grace of Jesus Christ, who suffered, died, and rose again for me.

This is the joy of Easter, happily joining in all that the life of discipleship calls us to be and do. So we go forth, kneeling joyfully at Christ's feet and rising to serve at table. We quietly go to our inner room to encounter God and join our voices in praising the King. We humbly wash others' feet and boldly proclaim the Gospel.

Happy Easter!

Deacon Todd

### **Diocesan Marriage Prep Workshop: April 15**

Workshop is at the diocesan center, Saginaw 9am-4pm. Cost is \$90/couple & includes lunch. Call Maria Coss, [mcoss@diosag.org](mailto:mcoss@diosag.org).

### **"Come and See" Dinner with Bishop Gruss**

Men 14 & up may attend this April 11 dinner here at St. Vincent, 5:30pm with a Holy Hour at 7pm. Last minute attendees welcome.



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