



St. Vincent de Paul Parish

May 7, 2023

The Fifth Sunday of Easter

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

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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Parish Office Hours
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WELCOME!

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

MAY 7, 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
Nancy Scovill (<i>Vice Chair</i>)	Judy Moldenhauer
Jackie Loomis (<i>Secretary</i>)	Tom Moomey
Brenda Faber-Gruss	Craig Shanteau
Cindy Gall	David Spindler
Roger Jacobs	

Parish Finance Council

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

Community Prayer

Monday, May 8

Acts 14: 5-18 / Jn 14:21-26
St. Vincent Hall: 6:30pm Aim Ministries

Tuesday, May 9

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

Wednesday, May 10

Acts 15:1-6 / Jn 15:1-8
St. Patrick: 6:00pm Mass & Potluck

Thursday, May 11

Acts 15:7-21 / Jn 15:9-11
St. Vincent: 10:00am Morning Prayer

Friday, May 12

Acts 15:22-31 / Jn 15:12-17
Cathedral of Mary of the Assumption, Saginaw:
2:30pm Ordination of Matthew Gembrowski

Saturday, May 13

Acts 16:1-10 / Jn 15:18-21
St. Vincent: 4:30pm Mass

Sunday, May 14

The Sixth Sunday of Easter
Acts 8:5-8, 14-17 / 1 Pt 3:15-18 / Jn 14:15-21
St. Vincent: 10:00am Mass

K of C Corner

THANK YOU for all the generous donations to the K of C Garage Sale in the parish hall during the Maple Syrup Festival.

It enabled us to generate *over \$4,000* to be used for charitable purposes.

Thank you also to those who so generously gave of their time and efforts to make our sale a success.

Lay Ecclesial Ministry Application Period

Will end May 15. For info, call Deb, 989-797-6660 or dpopielarz@diosag.org.

Please hold in Prayer:

Kendall Lalone, Frank Lapinski, 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, nursing home residents, and the sick and homebound.

Good News Caregivers can learn to care for themselves while they care for someone else coping with stress, emotion, and frustration. The Isabella County Commission on Aging will hold a free class **May 8, 10:30am-2:00pm**. Lunch will be served! RSVP by April 28 to Brandise, 989-772-0748, or online at bleoard@isabellacounty.org. Flyers are on bulletin boards in our entrances.

Parish Position Posted

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

Stewardship April 28, 2023

General Collection	Yr. to Date	
Collection	\$ 5,189.00	
April online	\$ 3,625.00	\$ 244,072.27
Weekly Budget	\$ 5,343.75	\$ 235,125.00
Designated Funds Contributions		
Building Improvement Fund	\$	155.00
St. Leo Cemetery	\$	80.00
St. Patrick Cemetery	\$	150.00
St. Vincent Cemetery	\$	20.00
St Patrick Repair & Maintenance	\$	200.00
Food Pantry	\$	40.00

Attention Teens!

The Pastoral Council has 2 vacant positions for parish youth representatives age 14-18. Please contact Pastoral Council Chair Kaylie Willoughby at willo1km@cmich.edu for more info.

Jubilee Mass for Religious

The Jubilee Mass is scheduled for May 10 at 6pm at the Cathedral of Mary of the Assumption. Sister Maureen Donovan, SC, served St James/All Saints Catholic School from 1967 until retirement, She is celebrating 80 years as a religious.

Diocesan 2023-24 Pro-Life Events

The Office of Parish Life & Evangelization announces the following:

Nov. 8, 2023 – March for Life in Lansing organized by Nat'l March for Life & Right to Life MI.

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

A New Priest for our Diocese!

Join our diocese in the celebration of Matthew Gembrowski who said “yes” to God in a call to the priesthood. Matthew’s priestly ordination will be livestreamed at 2:30pm on Friday, May 12 on the diocese website: www.saginaw.org

Honoring Graduates

Did you recently graduate or is graduation approaching? Please call the office. We’d like to honor you during a Mass later this spring. We hope you’ll wear your cap and gown.

“Encountering Jesus” Day of Enrichment

The Office of Parish Life & Evangelization will host a Diocesan Day of Enrichment, Sat., May 13, at the Center for Ministry. Fr. John Riccardo, from ACTS XXIX, will be Keynote speaker. Bishop Gruss will give a presentation entitled *Sacraments as Moments of Encounter*. The schedule and more topics can be found at saginaw.org/event/encountering-jesus-diocesan-day-enrichment-1. Register by May 8. Questions regarding registration? Contact Amy at adore@diosag.org or call 989.797.6654.

Happy Easter, dear friends!

As we continue to work through our Little Burgandy Books on Stewardship, I wanted to share more of the thoughts some of you had previously shared with me on stewardship.

- "All that I am and all that I have are Gods. I'm charged to use them to bring about his Kingdom."
- "Using our gifts to help others."
- "The responsibility to utilize God's given talents in this world we live in!"
- "Stewardship is using the gifts God gave us for his good."
- "What stewardship means to me is the offering of oneself fully and sacrificially in service to another."
- "Constantly seeking a Christian lifestyle aimed at helping, defending, educating the common good of all mankind."
- "Do all the good you can, by all the means you can, in all the ways you can, in all the places you can, at all the times you can, to all the people you can, as long as you ever can."

Thank you, friends, for sharing your thoughts. I have a few more of your thoughts to share next week; then, I will share my synthesis of all your thoughts. Please keep praying with the Little Book on Stewardship in preparation for our Stewardship Survey.

Peace and blessings,
Deacon Todd



Congratulations to Gabriella Gruca, daughter of Tom and Katelyn Gruca, baptized this past weekend.

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