



# St. Vincent de Paul Parish

July 23, 2023

## The Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

### 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!

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.



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

**July 23, 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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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
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Liz Bacon ( <i>Secretary</i> )	Bob Wachowski
Jerry Jaloszynski	

**Worship Opportunities**

**Monday, July 24**

Ex 14:5-18/Mt 12:38-42 (395)

No AIM Ministries

**Tuesday, July 25**

2 Cor 4:7-15/Mt 20:20-28

**Wednesday, July 26**

Ex 16:1-5, 9-15/Mt 13:1-9

**No Mass** Fr. Fred on Retreat

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

**Thursday, July 27**

Ex 19:1-2, 9-11, 16-20b/Mt 13:10-17

Saint Vincent de Paul: 10:00am Morning Prayer

**Friday, July 28**

Ex 20:1-17/Mt 13:18-23

**Saturday, July 29**

Ex 24:3-8 (400)/Jn 11:19-27 or Lk 10:38-42

Saint Vincent de Paul: 4:00 Rosary

Saint Vincent de Paul: 4:30pm Mass

**Sunday, July 30** 17th Sunday in Ordinary Time

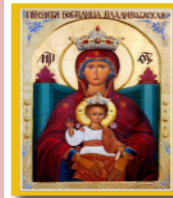
1 Kgs 3:5, 7-12/Rom 8:28-30/Mt 13:44-52 or 13:44-46

Saint Vincent de Paul: 9:30am Rosary

Saint Vincent de Paul: 10:00am Mass

**Please hold in Prayer:**

✠ Don Hoffman, Mick Feltman, Donna Lefever, Zack G., Cindy, Joe & Mary Esther Ramon, John Florian, Kendall Lalone, Frank Lapinski, 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 the homebound.



**Mary Mother of God  
Mission Society**

Reviving the Roman Catholic Church  
in Eastern Russia

A message from the National Coordinator Jessica Trevillyan:

Many thanks to you, your staff and the parishioners of Saint Vincent de Paul parish for your recent warm welcome and hospitality, to Mary Mother of God Mission Society and our speaker, Nico Semchuk.

We hope your parishioners enjoyed hearing about the work of our priests in Vladivostok. The generosity and hospitality of everyone in your parish. Will enable our missionary priests., Fr Myron Effing, CJD and Fr. Daniel Mauer, CJD, to expand their efforts to revive our faith in the Far East of Russia. We ask for your committed prayers to rebuild the Roman Catholic in all of Russia as we continue to pray for all our brothers and sisters at Saint Vincent de Paul parish.

**Stewardship**

<b>General Collection</b>	<b>7/16/2023</b>	<b>Yr. to Date</b>
Sunday & Holy Day Collection	\$3,306.00	\$9,686.50
<b>Designated Contributions</b>		
Building Improvement	\$75.00	
Food Pantry	\$100.00	
Misson Coop Appeal	\$370.00	
Parish Outreach	\$25.00	
Saint Vincent de Paul Cemetery	\$65.00	
Saint Leo Cemetery	\$80.00	
Saint Patrick Repair & Maint.	\$100.00	
Saint Patrick Cemetery	\$50.00	

Dear Friends in Christ,

Last weekend while we were away, Erin and I had the privilege of attending Mass at St. Barbara Church in Black Diamond, WA. It was a bright and airy church, and we were surprised to find it laid out in a choir style, like the Archabbey Church at Saint Meinrad where I attend school. The baptismal font, ambo, and presider's chair were at one end of the length of the church. The Altar and choir area was at the other end. All the pews faced inward to the long axis. It would be quite the experience to have this as a regular place of worship. The front of the church puts you close to the activity, but here, you are close to the ambo, or altar, never both.

We chose this church, which was not the closest to the place we were staying because I noticed online that they had restored the reception of the Precious Blood. While I know theologically Christ's Body and Blood are both fully present in each species, I cannot help but be drawn to the words of institution the Priest prays at every Mass.

"Take this, all of you, and drink from it, / for this is the chalice of my Blood, / the Blood of the new and eternal covenant, / which will be poured out for you and for many / for the forgiveness of sins. Do this in memory of me."

As a Deacon, I am not simply an Ordinary Minister of Holy Communion. Deacons are Ordinary Ministers of the Precious Blood. The words of Christ that Fr. Fred prays are precious to me. Reception under both species of the Eucharist concretely reminds me that Christ's Body was sacrificed for me and that I am washed clean in His Blood.



**VBS** - Mark these dates on your calendar: August 14-16 at Mount St. Joseph Catholic Church - St. Louis. The celebration is from 9:00-12:00 pm, with registration beginning at 8:30 am. and tasty treats are just a few of the Stellar activities that help faith grow into real life experiences.

Please register your children on our website <https://tinyurl.com/2023VBS9> for this awesome Bible learning adventure. Please call if you are willing to volunteer for this great event!



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