



St. Vincent de Paul Parish

November 26, 2023

**THE SOLEMNITY OF OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST,
KING OF THE UNIVERSE**

**Weekend Mass
Saturday 4:30pm
Sunday 10:00am**

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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.

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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Church for Occasional Use



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

November 26, 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

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Worship Opportunities

Monday, November 27

Dn 1:1-6, 8-20/Lk 21:1-4

Tuesday, November 28

Dn 2:31-45/Lk 21:5-11

Wednesday, November 29

Dn 5:1-6, 13-14, 16-17, 23-28/Lk 21:12-19
 Saint Vincent de Paul: 10:00 am Mass
 Saint Patrick: 6:00 pm Liturgy of the Hours during Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament & Potluck

Thursday, November 30

Rom 10:9-18/Mt 4:18-22
 Saint Vincent de Paul: 10:00 am Morning Prayer

Friday, December 1

Dn 7:2-14/Lk 21:29-33

Saturday, December 2

Dn 7:15-27/Lk 21:34-36
St Vincent de Paul: Reconciliation from 3:45 pm
 Saint Vincent de Paul: 4:00 pm Rosary
 Saint Vincent de Paul: 4:30 pm Mass
Coffee & Donuts after Mass

Sunday, December 3

FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT
 Is 63:16b-17, 19b; 64:2-7/1 Cor 1:3-9/Mk 13:33-37
 Saint Vincent de Paul: 9:30 am Rosary
 Saint Vincent de Paul: 10:00 am Mass
Coffee & Donuts after Mass

Please hold in Prayer:

Jan Ackerman, Koren F., Ryan Noyes, Sharon Shaw, Donna, Nancy McClintic-Hopson, Steve Gall, Mick Feltman, Donna Lefever, Zack G., John Florian, Kendall Lalone, Frank Lapinski, Jerry McCaul, Nancy Scovill, Scott Smith, Emily (Burch) Jackson, Teresa Arnold, Larry Noyes, Sister Marie Kopin, Kinsley & the Binkowski Family, Nursing Home residents, and the sick and the homebound.

All men of the Parish interested in Cor, please return surveys as soon as possible. Cor tray is located in church main entrance. Again, this program is open to all men of the Parish. Any questions contact Steve Bacon.

Meijer Simply Give Benefits the Food Pantry

The Meijer Simply Give donation cards are now available in the back of the church. The program will run until December 30, 2023. These cards are only good at the Mt. Pleasant Meijer. Benefiting our Food Pantry with each donation of \$10.00, Meijer's will donate the same.

Double match day will be held on December 16, 2023

IN THE RESULTS OF OUR EUCHRE AT ST PAT'S

HIGH GAME WOMEN

DANIELLE HOPPE
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MARK MOEGGENBORG
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LONERS

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Next game will be in January 2024

Stewardship

General Collection	11/19/2023	Yr. to Date
Sunday & Holy Day Collection	\$ 3,784.00	\$ 91,523.90
Weekly Budget	\$ 5,480.77	\$ 115,096.17
Designated Contributions		
Building Improvement Fund	\$ 50.00	
Campaign for Human Dev.	\$ 435.00	
Christmas Flowers	\$ 345.00	
Parish Outreach	\$ 10.00	
Religious Retirement	\$ 10.00	
Saint Leo Cemetery	\$ 130.00	
Saint Patrick Cemetery	\$ 70.00	
Saint Vincent de Paul Cemetery	\$ 25.00	
Saint Patrick Repair & Maint.	\$ 400.00	

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Friendly Reminder...

Monday, December 4th

Choir Practice from 7-8:30 pm

Upcoming Social Events

Wednesday, December 6th

Shepherd Holly Jolly Parade 5:45pm

Baked Potato Bar—SVDP Social Hall—
5:00-7:00 pm

Save the Date! Sunday December 10.

Advent Program after Mass followed by lunch in the hall. All children in the parish are invited

It will be a short, simple program but fun!

Can you help?

The Tuesday Morning Group that meets at Jackie Cline's –Hearts & Hands. Is making Blessing Bracelets. They would like to pass the bracelets out to the congregation before Christmas.

If you could help make some of these bracelets that would be much appreciated. The bracelets are easy to make. You could join the group Hearts & Hands on Tuesday mornings.

Or make some bracelets on your own at home, Materials are provided and someone will show you how to make them as we are in need of many bracelets. Please call Jackie Cline 989-600-5743 if you can help.

Christmas Outreach

Thank you! for the generous donations many of you have already made to Christmas Outreach. Outreach will be at Morey Courts this year. The sorting of items will be held on Wed & Thurs, Dec 13 and 14, and distribution will be on Fri and Sat, Dec 15 & 16

We need volunteers all 4 days.

Sign up at the Christmas Outreach of Isabella County website We still are in need of items for stockings and gift bags. We are especially in need of full-size toothpaste, bar soap for the older adults. Small stuffed animals & small toys for children, like yoyos, jump ropes, card games, etc.

Items can be left in the box at the church entrance

Contact Eileen Jennings with questions.

Dear Friends in Christ,

We stand at the threshold of the Advent season, looking on to the celebration of Christmas beyond. The following weekend, the greens that have been so familiar to us since June give way to all the shades of purple of the Advent season. Advent, unlike Lent, is not considered a penitential season, even though we tend to view it as such. Perhaps it is better to think of it in terms of how children in Catechesis of the Good Shepherd refer to the color purple; it means preparation.

We prepare for the Second Coming of Christ and ready ourselves to celebrate his coming into the world at Christmas. The church has always had a focus on preparation for celebration. RCIA is a long liturgical preparation for Initiation—marriage preparation for couples preparing for the sacrament of Matrimony and the long formation period before the Ordination of Deacons and Priests.

A big part of preparation spiritually is also making sure our hearts are right with God and taking the opportunity to ensure that there is nothing between us and our relationship with God. This is one reason why we place communal penance services in the seasons of Advent and Lent: so that our hearts are genuinely prepared for the celebration beyond them.

Below is a list of opportunities to receive the sacrament of Reconciliation next month, both here at St. Vincent and in neighboring parishes. That you have the chance to celebrate is more important than where you celebrate, for it is the same Christ everywhere.

Peace and blessings, Deacon Todd

St. Vincent de Paul

Individual Reconciliation from 3:45 PM every Saturday
Communal Penance – Dec. 14th, 6:00 PM
(Soup Supper 5-5:45)

St. Cecilia – Clare

Communal Penance – Dec. 6th, 6:30 PM

Nativity of the Lord (Mt. St. Joseph) – St. Louis

Communal Penance – Dec. 13th, 6:30 PM

Sacred Heart – Mt. Pleasant

Individual Reconciliation Dec 18th, 7-8 PM

Individual Reconciliation Dec 20th, 2-3 PM



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