



St. Vincent de Paul Parish

December 10, 2023
SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT

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.



St. Patrick, Irishtown
7631 W. North Gratiot Co. Line
Church for Occasional Use



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

December 10, 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>)	Craig Shanteau
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Parish Finance Council

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Doug Dodge (<i>Vice-Chair</i>)	Sam Moeggenborg
Liz Bacon (<i>Secretary</i>)	Bob Wachowski
Jerry Jalszynski	

Scripture Readings

Monday, December 11

Is 35:1-10/Lk 5:17-26

Tuesday, December 12

Zec 2:14-17 or Rv 11:19a; 12:1-6a, 10ab/Lk 1:26-38 or Lk 1:39-47

Wednesday, December 13

Is 40:25-31/Mt 11:28-30
Saint Patrick: 6:00 pm Evening Prayer & Potluck

Thursday, December 14

Is 41:13-20/Mt 11:11-15
Saint Vincent de Paul: 10:00 am Morning Prayer
SVDP Social Hall: 5:00-5:45 pm Soup Supper
Saint Vincent de Paul: 6:00 pm Advent Communal Penance Service

Friday, December 15

Is 48:17-19/Mt 11:16-19

Saturday, December 16

Sir 48:1-4, 9-11/Mt 17:9a, 10-13
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

Sunday, December 17

THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT
Is 61:1-2a, 10-11/1 Thes 5:16-24/Jn 1:6-8, 19-28
Saint Vincent de Paul: 4:00 pm Rosary
Saint Vincent de Paul: 10:00 am Mass

Please hold in Prayer:

✠ Grace Hoffman, ✠ David Ling
Dorothy Huber, 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 resident, also the sick and the homebound.

Come and Join us! Sunday, December 10th

Today is our Advent program at 11:15 am here in the church, Right after the program there is a lunch in the Hall.

All are in Invited

Christmas Outreach

needs volunteers for Set up on Wed & Thurs, Dec 13 & 14, and Distribution on Fri & Sat, Dec 15 & 16. To volunteer, go to the Christmas Outreach of Isabella County Facebook page and click on Sign Up. If you want to help with filling the Christmas Stockings and gift bags, contact Eileen Jennings directly at eleen.jennings811@gmail.com

Can you help?

The Tuesday Morning Group that meets at Jackie Cline's -Hearts & Hands. Is making Blessing Bracelets. To pass out to the congregation before Christmas. Please call Jackie Cline 989-600-5743 if you can help.

Stewardship		
General Collection	12/3/2023	Yr. to Date
Sunday & Holy Day Collection	\$ 8,556.00	\$106,199.90
Weekly Budget	\$ 5,480.77	\$126,057.71
November On-Line Collection	\$ 2,980.00	
Designated Contributions		
Building Improvement Fund	\$ 500.00 *	Includes On-line
Campaign for Human Dev.	\$ 10.00	
Christmas Flowers	\$ 310.00	
Food Pantry	\$ 290.00	
Parish Outreach	\$ 55.00	
Religious Retirement	\$ 175.00	
Saint Leo Cemetery	\$ 80.00	
Saint Patrick Repair & Maint.	\$ 200.00	
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**Annual Knights of Columbus
Free Throw Tournament.**

All boys and girls that are between the ages of 9-14 can participate. It will be held Saturday December 16, 2023, at 10:00 am Shepherd Middle School Gym. If you would like to volunteer to assist, please call Steve Nartker (989) 944-1713. Thank you!



**December. 10
U.S. Religious Retirement Collection**

Hundreds of religious communities lack the resources to meet the needs of aging members. Your gift helps with medications, nursing care, and more. Show thanks for their service by giving generously.

Info at www.retiredreligious.org.

Looking for ushers for the 6:00 pm
Christmas Eve Mass.
Please let Dave Kusbel know or call the
office 989-828-5720

Thank you



**Meijer Simply Give
Benefits the Food Pantry
Double match day will be held on
December 16, 2023.**

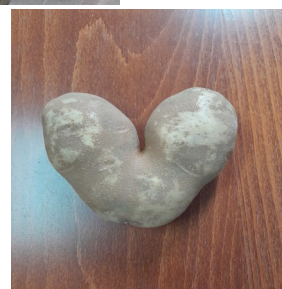
The Meijer Simply Give donation cards are now available in until December 30th, These cards are only good at the Mt. Pleasant Meijer. Benefiting our Food Pantry with each donation of \$10.00. Meijer's of Mt. Pleasant will donate the same. Thank you for your participation

Dear Friends in Christ,

I am writing to you in the beginning part of a very busy week in the parish. From Wednesday through Monday, we will celebrate two funerals, three different weekend liturgies, and a Holy day. The social hall will be used for two funeral luncheons, a private event, a community baked potato bar, and two different after-mass meals on Sunday. The pictures below so the start of this expedition. First, a crew of people ready to serve at the Potato Bar, then the event itself, which served over 145 people, and finally, a group of folks pitching in to set up for the next morning's funeral luncheon.

These are just a few of the many reasons why I love this parish community so much. We serve our fellow parishioners, but we also serve the local community. And when things are tough or busy, we pitch in to lend a hand to one another. May God continue to bless the many varied hands, young and old, hard and soft, strong and gentle that make St. Vincent de Paul Parish a place where all are invited, welcomed, accepted, loved, and respected.

Peace and blessings,
Deacon Todd



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