



# St. Vincent de Paul Parish

**March 3, 2024**  
**The Third Sunday of Lent**

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

**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 (*Chairperson*)  
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**Worship Opportunities**

**Monday, March 4**

2 Kgs 5:1-15ab/Lk 4:24-30

**Tuesday, March 5**

Dn 3:25, 34-43/Mt 18:21-35

St. Vincent de Paul: 9:00 AM Morning Prayer

**Wednesday, March 6**

Dt 4:1, 5-9/Mt 5:17-19

St. Vincent de Paul: 10:00 AM Mass

St. Patrick: 6:00 PM Stations of the Cross, Potluck follows

**Thursday, March 7**

Jer 7:23-28/Lk 11:14-23

St. Vincent de Paul: 6:00 – 7:30 PM An Evening of Mercy and Peace

St. Vincent de Paul: 6:30 PM Rescue Project

**Friday, March 8**

Hos 14:2-10/Mk 12:28-34

St. Vincent de Paul: 3:30 PM Stations of the Cross

**Saturday, March 9**

Hos 6:1-6/Lk 18:9-14

**St. Vincent de Paul: Reconciliation 3:30 – 4:10 PM**

St. Vincent de Paul: 4:30 PM Mass, Soup Supper follows

**Sunday, March 10**

**The Fourth Sunday of Lent**

1 Sm 16:1b, 6-7, 10-13a/Eph 5:8-14/Jn 9:1-41 or

9:1, 6-9, 13-17, 34-38 Pss IV

St. Vincent de Paul: 10:00 AM Mass

**Please hold in Prayer:**

Jackie Enriques-Aguirre, Joanie Hogan, Adam Fisher, Marietta Dickman, Lynette Sova, Joe Wood, Dorothy Huber, Ryan Noyes, Nancy McClintic-Hopson, Steve Gall, Mick Feltman, Donna Lefever, Zack G., John Florian, Kendall Lalone, Frank Lapinsk, 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.

I wish to Thank Everyone! for their prayers and God's Miracle that our grandson, Adam Fisher, survived his brain surgery. Adam is now home and going to physical therapy. With continued prayers and God's blessing he should have a complete recovery.  
 Love, Lenore Fisher and Family

Faith Weavers will meet Sunday March 10, 4-7 pm.  
 Joe Frankenfield will lead the prayer service.  
 Join us for a Taco Bar with soft taco's and taco salads.  
 Please bring a dish to pass.



**Lenten Soup Supper Saturday**

**March 9**

Sign up sheets are available at the church entrance for soups and help with set-up /clean up



**Stewardship**

**General Collection**

**2/25/2024**

Sunday & Holy Day Collection	\$11,660.00	\$201,588.00
Weekly Budget	\$5,480.77	\$191,826.95
February On-line Contribution	\$4,300.00	
Capital Campaign	\$3,887.00 *	
Food Pantry	\$15.00	
Parish Outreach	\$25.00	
Saint Leo Cemetery	\$35.00	
Saint Patrick Repair & Maintenance	\$200.00 *	
Saint Patrick Cemetery	\$65.00	
St Vincent de Paul Blding Fund	\$25.00 *	
Saint Vincent de Paul Cemetery	\$85.00 *	

\* This includes February On-line Collection.

## Monday March 18, 6:00 PM

St. Patrick Irishtown, Bishop Gruss will be joining us in celebration of Saint Patrick's in celebration of the Solemnity transferred from Sunday. Mass will be followed by an Irish Potluck. Bring your favorite dish like soda bread, Irish coddle, potato pancakes, or another Irish inspiration! All welcome



## Tuesday March 5, Pastoral Council Meeting at 6:00 pm in the Social Hall

### Planning Ahead

Our parish will host a **Red Cross Blood Drive** in the St. Vincent Hall on Friday, April 12, 12:00 pm to 5:00 pm To schedule an appointment, go to [RedCrossBlood.org](http://RedCrossBlood.org) and enter sponsor code.

STVINCENT, or call 1-800-733-2767.

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The Shepherd Knights of Columbus will hold their annual sale April 25<sup>th</sup>, 26<sup>th</sup>, 27<sup>th</sup> 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). If you have a question about items you would like to donate, please call Bob Wachowski, 989-854-2831 or Jerry Jaloszynski, 989-330-4890

### A Lenten Silent Retreat

will be offered to all women of the Diocese by the Saginaw Diocesan Council of Catholic Women at the Center for Ministry in Saginaw on Saturday, March 9. The retreat starts at 9 AM (registration begins at 8:30) and will end at approximately 4 PM. The retreat leader will be Dr. Dan Osborn whose presentation title will be "Bride and Branch: Growing Closer to the Lord." Mass, rosary, and Stations of the Cross will be included. The cost for the retreat is \$25 (in advance /incl. morning snack & lunch).

Please RSVP with Rita Maher (989-635-7072) before March 4.

Dear Friends in Christ,

This Saturday we will celebrate the First Scrutiny for our elect, Greg Krafft. The Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults describes the scrutinies as "rites for self-searching and repentance and have above all a spiritual purpose. The scrutinies are meant to uncover, then heal, all that is weak, defective, or sinful in the hearts of the elect: to bring out, then strengthen all that is upright, strong and good."

All three scrutinies are rooted in the Gospel readings of the day, and follow the same pattern. First silent prayer over the elect, followed by a series of intercessions on their behalf by the community, an exorcism, and finally a dismissal to go reflect upon the Word of God.

Below are some the intercessions for the First Scrutiny. They are good for us to pray for Greg, but important to remember for ourselves as well.

- That, like the woman of Samaria, our elect may review their lives before Christ and acknowledge their sins...
- That they may be freed from the spirit of mistrust that deters people from following Christ...
- That while awaiting the gift of God, they made long with all their hearts for the living water that brings eternal life...
- That by accepting the Son of God as their teacher, they may become true worshippers of the Father in spirit and in truth...
- That they may share with their friends and neighbors the wonder of their own meeting with Christ...
- That those whose lives are empty for want of the word of God make come to the gospel of Christ...
- That all of us may learn from Christ to do the Father's will in love...

Peace and blessings, Deacon Todd

All men of the Parish, there will be a COR meeting hosted by Steve Bacon on Saturday March 9, 2024 @ 8am in the Parish Hall. A light breakfast will be served.

**The Mass of Atonement** has been scheduled for **Wednesday, March 13, 2024, 6:00 PM at the Cathedral of Mary of the Assumption**. The Mass of Atonement is offered in recognition of child sexual abuse, especially by clergy. Reconciliation through the Sacrament of the Mass is an important means of healing for those who have been abused, as well as their friends and family members. All are encouraged to attend to pray in union with those who have suffered child abuse. The Mass will also be livestreamed: <https://saginaw.org/cathedral-live>

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