



St. Vincent de Paul Parish

July 20, 2025

Sixteenth Sunday of Ordinary Time

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 Monday - Wednesday to set a Friday appointment.

Food donations are welcomed on the first weekend of each month, or at our office Monday-Thursday, 10am-4pm.

Knights of Columbus meets on the 3rd Thursday of each month. @ 7:00pm

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: Thursday 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

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.

Pastoral Council	Chairperson - Dave Spindler
FC Liaison - Cindy Gall	Secretary - Jackie Loomis
Liz Bacon	Brenda Faber-Gruss
Roger Jacobs	Carol Jolley
Sue McQueen	Jennifer Mikek
Marti Snyder	John Walsh
Finance Council	Chair Person - Zach Lobsinger
Vice Chair- Jerry Jaloszynski	Secretary - Sandra Dubridge
Don Moeggenborg	Kim Recker
Konner Vedrode	Bob Wachowski

Worship Opportunities

Monday, July 21

Ex 14:5-18/Mt 12:38-42

Tuesday, July 22

Sg 3:1-4b or 2 Cor 5:14-17/Jn 20:1-2, 11-18

Wednesday, July 23

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

St. Vincent de Paul: 10:00 AM Mass

St. Patrick: 6:00 PM Evening Prayer - Potluck follows

Thursday, July 24

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

St. Vincent de Paul: 10:00 AM Morning Prayer

Friday, July 25

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

Saturday, July 26

Ex 24:3-8/Mt 13:24-30

St. Vincent de Paul: 4:30 PM Mass

Sunday, July 27

Seventeenth Sunday of Ordinary Time

Gn 18:20-32/Col 2:12-14/Lk 11:1-13

St. Vincent de Paul: 10:00 AM Mass



In our prayers...

Gail Schmidt, Larry Lethorn, Scott Smith, Harold Moeggenborg, MK, Mark Moeggenborg, Jim Kanine, Bill McClintic, Joe Wood, Dorothy Huber, Ryan Noyes, Steve Gall, Donna Lefever, Zack G., John Florian, Kendall Lalone, Frank Lapinski, Jerry McCaul, Nancy Scovill, Scott Smith, Teresa Arnold, Larry Noyes, Sister Marie Kopin, Jackie Enriquez-Aguirre, Kinsley & the Binkowski Family.

Nursing Home residents, and the sick and the homebound.

If you are aware of someone that would like to be added to... or taken off our prayer list, please contact the office.

For Your Calendar

Monday, August 4, - at 6:00 PM

✕ PRIEST JUBILEE CELEBRATION MASS AND RECEPTION

– Please join in to celebrate our 2025 jubilarians. The evening will begin with Mass at the Cathedral followed by a reception with hors d'oeuvres in the Lower Level of the Cathedral. All are welcome! Please RSVP to mpiechowiak@diosag.org or 989-797-6683.

Friday, August 15, following the Holy Day Mass of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin at 10:00 am.

We will be having a light luncheon to celebrate Sister Marie Kopin, CPPS. This date marks 63 years since her final permanent vows. music ministry.



If you forget your envelope, we have *blank envelopes in the back of the church* and you can write your name and/or envelope.

Thank you

Stewardship

General Collection	7/13/2025	Year to Date
Sunday & Holy Day Collection	\$ 3,667.15	\$ 6,881.15
Weekly Budget	\$ 6,585.00	\$ 13,170.00
Parish Outreach	\$ 25.00	
Priest Retirement	\$ 100.00	
St. Leo Cemetery	\$ 90.00	
St. Patrick Cemetery	\$ 45.00	
St. Patrick Maintenance	\$ 100.00	
St. Vincent de Paul Cemetery	\$ 30.00	
St. Vincent de Paul Maintenance	\$ 25.00	

On Monday July 14, 2025 at the Finance Council Meeting there was an installation of the council and election of officers. **Congratulations** to our three new Finance council members as they join current the current council members in advising on matters related to the financial health and administration of St. Vincent de Paul Parish: Sandra Dubridge, Don Moeggenberg, and Konner Vedrode.

New officers are Chair– Zach Lobsinger, Vice Chair - Jerry Jaloszynski, Secretary- Sandra Dubridge

Thank you again to Leah Rau, Liz Bacon and Doug Dodge. We are grateful for your service.

✠ HOLY HOURS WITH BISHOP GRUSS –

The next Holy Hour for Vocations will be at St. Paul the Apostle Parish, St. Martin de Porres Church, Tuesday, July 22, 2025. All Holy Hours for Vocations are scheduled from 7:00 to 8:00 pm Remember, the parishes where the Holy Hours take place are considered pilgrimage sites in the Jubilee Year of Hope during the Holy Hour and a Plenary Indulgence can be received for those who attend.

Local Community Events

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Dear friends in Christ,

I never cease to be amazed at how we can learn about our faith and be touched by God in the most unexpected ways. On Wednesday, I was rushing to make it out to St. Patrick Church for the 6:00 PM evening prayer. Upon arriving, I noticed more cars than usual, and a number of them were parked in the cemetery. Entering the church, I found out that Katie Bellinger was gathering with her students, who were classmates of Adeline Keihl, who tragically passed away a few weeks ago. The gathering, scheduled to begin at 6:00 PM, was intended to offer some closure to the classmates and family. So in the midst of rushing, after chatting with those gathered for evening prayer, we decided to delay the start of Evening Prayer and stand in silent vigil with them.

Sometimes when rushing to do our things, we need to pivot to the opportunity God has placed before us.

After proceeding outside, all the kids went into the social hall, and there was a bit of a delay as they prepared balloons for a balloon launch. What wasn't known to us outside was that the children were writing messages to Adeline on their balloons. At the bottom of this article is a picture of them ascending into the air. Those balloons were prayers, ascending in a way we cannot do ourselves.

Let the Holy Spirit be with you and guide you when you offer up prayers.

After the balloon launch, Katie read from a series of note cards. On the cards were messages that Katie had written to classmates. It was part of a classroom initiative to support one another, and classmates wrote words of affirmation and inspiration to each other. Two stood out to me, the first being (paraphrased) "Be the best you can be." We can often struggle with who we are to be in the world. Am I good enough? I'm not as good as this person or that saint. We often place a greater burden on ourselves than God asks of us.

God simply asks you to be the best version of you—no more, no less.

The other message was, again, paraphrased, "You are a good friend, you are always there for me." We will struggle at times in this world; it is not always easy to find the right path. We can become discouraged, but should never lapse into despair. In times of trouble, we turn to him, who walks with us every step of the way.

Jesus, you are a good friend, you are always there for me.



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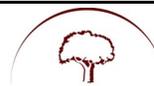
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