



St. Vincent de Paul Parish

July 27, 2025

Seventeenth 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	<i>Chairperson</i> - Dave Spindler
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Kim Recker	Bob Wachowski

Worship Opportunities

- Monday, July 28**
Ex 32:15-24, 30-34/Mt 13:31-35
- Tuesday, July 29**
Ex 33:7-11; 34:5b-9, 28 (402)/Jn 11:19-27 or Lk 10:38-42
- Wednesday, July 30**
Ex 34:29-35/Mt 13:44-46
St. Vincent de Paul: 10:00 AM Mass
St. Patrick: 6:00 PM Evening Prayer - Potluck follows
- Thursday, July 31**
Ex 40:16-21, 34-38/Mt 13:47-53
St. Vincent de Paul: 10:00 AM Morning Prayer
- Friday, August 1**
Lv 23:1, 4-11, 15-16, 27, 34b-37/Mt 13:54-58
- Saturday, August 2**
Lv 25:1, 8-17/Mt 14:1-12
St. Vincent de Paul: 4:30 PM Mass
- Sunday, August 3**
Eighteenth Sunday of Ordinary Time
Eccl 1:2; 2:21-23/Col 3:1-5, 9-11/Lk 12:13-21
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, - 6:00 PM
✕ PRIEST JUBILEE CELEBRATION MASS AND RECEPTION – Please join in to celebrate with Fr. Loren Kalinowski and the 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@diosaq.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 gathering to celebrate Sister Marie Kopin, CPPS. This date marks 63 years since her final permanent vows.

More information to follow.



Stewardship

General Collection	7/20/2025	Year to Date
Sunday & Holy Day Collection	\$ 4,028.50	\$ 11,209.65
Weekly Budget	\$ 6,585.00	\$ 19,755.00
Parish Outreach	\$ 50.00	
St. Leo Cemetery	\$ 90.00	
St. Patrick Cemetery	\$ 30.00	
St. Patrick Maintenance	\$ 200.00	
St. Vincent de Paul Cemetery	\$ 10.00	
St. Vincent de Paul Maintenance	\$ 100.00	
Car Wash - Youth Ministry	\$ 300.00	

Christmas Outreach in July

Dear parishioners, a big thank you in advance for your continued generosity for the Christmas Outreach program which helps economically disadvantaged families in our community. We are asking for your help again this year. The most needed items are pens, mechanical and colored pencils, pencil top erasers, highlighters, full size toothpaste and bath toys for 10 mos. to 2 year olds.

A box for donated items will be placed in the church entryway. More information to follow as event gets closer, if you have any questions, please contact Liz Bacon.



Seek and Find Book Club

Are you seeking a deeper faith and/or a closer relationship with God? We are too! Come to the first meeting of St. Vincent de Paul's spiritual book club on Wednesday, August 6th at 11 AM in the church library (following the 10 AM mass). We will discuss book ideas, format and goals.

Grief Recovery Group

All of us experience grief in our life. There are many kinds of loss: job, home, relationship, health dreams. One of the most profound losses is the death of a significant person in our life: parent, spouse, child, sibling, friend, mentor. It may be a recent loss or one from years ago that still impacts your life.

Our Catholic Christian Faith is uniquely able to support and aid us. Grief Recovery is a group for support and education through the grief process. The Diocese of Saginaw made the resources and training available.

St, Vincent de Paul Grief Recovery
August 6 - September 10, 2025 - 5:30 - 7:00 pm
Please Contact Mary to join us in person.
Email: sweetmsst@yahoo.com
Phone: 989-560-1107

Dear friends in Christ,

Last Tuesday, I took a trip down to St. Martin de Porres in Perrinton, for Bishop Gruss's Holy Hour for vocations. It was a nice change of pace for my evening prayer and a chance to pray and think about vocations.

Bishop Gruss, and many priests, have said they never thought about a vocation until someone asked them if they have ever thought about being a priest or a religious brother or sister. Bishop Gruss shared one young lady's response to the question why she hasn't considered a religious vocation, "I am afraid I won't like it." Bishop Gruss continued with his concern on making decisions in our life based solely on our personal comfort or discomfort.

I am curious if a second question, "Have you considered a vocation to marriage?" was asked, what the young lady's response would have been. Would she have readily answered yes, not considering the vocational aspect of marriage? All vocations; priesthood, religious life, marriage, the generous single life, and the permanent diaconate have times of discomfort. To say yes to a vocation is to say yes to an invitation. But is it also a yes to the surrendering of our personal will. It is a surrender to the words Jesus gave us in the Our Father "thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven."

God the author and exemplar of love, shows us surrender from the cross, and in doing so shows us love. Jesus did not say "this is nice" when he was nailed to the cross for us, but rather "Father forgive them" and "you will be with me in paradise." To surrender to God's will is to embrace a love that extends far beyond our personal comfort and love of self. And every vocation, to be a true vocation, requires a degree of that surrender.

Pray for vocations dear brothers and sisters. Pray that all of us, regardless of our state of life, would be willing to surrender to the Father's will, and by our very life, be an icon of love.

Peace and blessings, Deacon Todd

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