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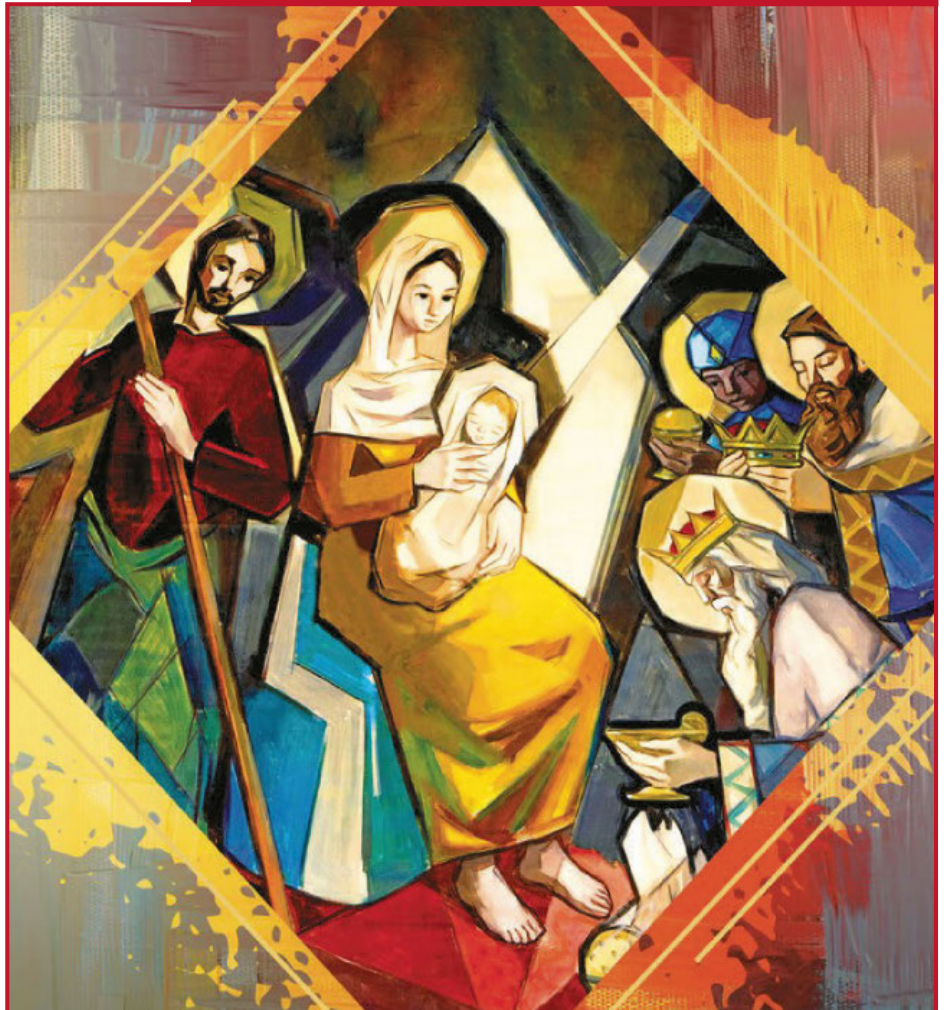
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THE EPIPHANY OF THE LORD

They were overjoyed at seeing the star, and on entering the house they saw the child with Mary his mother. They prostrated themselves and did him homage. - Mt 2:10-11a

MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday Confessions - 4:00 p.m.

Saturday Mass - 5:00 p.m.

Sunday Masses - 8:00 a.m. & 10:00 a.m.

Deanery Mass - S.S. Peter & Paul - 6:00p.m.

WEEKDAYS

Monday – Communion Prayer Service

Tuesday - 5:00 p.m. Mass

Wednesday – 8:00 a.m. Mass

Thursday – 8:00 a.m. Mass

Friday – 8:00 a.m. Mass

Mission Statement: We, the people of St. Vincent de Paul Parish, are called by the Spirit to be Christ to one another & an expression of His love as a faith-filled community. We believe that: God has called us to a covenant relationship with Him to live lives of justice & charity. Love of God & neighbor is essential to our faith. The gift of Baptism in Christ calls us to be His disciples & gives us the power to do God's work. We have a responsibility to worship, proclaim, educate, & serve.

GOSPEL REFLECTION...



JANUARY 8TH
THE EPIPHANY OF THE LORD

A friend of mine is a young priest who teaches high school physics at a Catholic boys' prep school. Like many today, the boys often think science and religion are enemies. So, he delights in their raised eyebrows when he reminds them his first full-time job as a priest was to be an astrophysicist. He cataloged the size, shape, and matter of distant stars. He tells them, "Science gave me more love for God, not less."

The Magi were something like scientist-astronomers. Like today's scientists, they employed disciplined methods of discovering dependable patterns in the world. Their rigorous commitment to the truth led them to the joy of discovering Jesus. Their love for knowledge leads them to worship the Source of all knowledge. Luke says of them, "**They were overjoyed at seeing the star.**"

We may see the universe as cold and empty and feel sad. But why should we do that? The Magi, like my priest-friend, show us there is another way to experience the world. We use our intelligence to discover the beautiful patterns in the world — in mathematics, physics, astronomy, biology, neuroscience, and so on — and allow this to lead us to greater love for God. So, my fellow Magi: the world needs us to be overjoyed at finding God in science and, finally and fully, in Jesus.

— *Father John Muir*

May God bless you all !!

LITURGICAL SCHEDULE

FOR JANUARY 7TH ~ JANUARY 15TH

Saturday	5:00 p.m.	† Deceased Members of the Dunigan & Ziehr Families
Sunday	8:00 a.m.	† Ruth Senn
	10:00 a.m.	† Louis Rosandick
Monday	8:00 a.m.	<i>Communion Prayer Service</i>
Tuesday	5:00 p.m.	For All Parishioners
Wednesday	8:00 a.m.	For All Parishioners
{ <i>School Mass</i> }	9:00 a.m.	† Deceased Members of the Gudelis & Pionke Families
Thursday	8:00 a.m.	For All Children
Friday	8:00 a.m.	† Dorothy Bower
Saturday	5:00 p.m.	† Lawrence & Christina Joosten
Sunday	8:00 a.m.	For All Parishioners
	10:00 a.m.	† Louis Rosandick

NEXT WEEKEND'S MINISTERS ~ JANUARY 14TH & 15TH

Servers :

Sat.	5:00 p.m.	Need 2 Volunteers
Sun.	8:00 a.m.	Need 2 Volunteers
	10:00 a.m.	Need 2 Volunteers

Lectors:

Sat.	5:00 p.m.	Darrel Anderson
Sun.	8:00 a.m.	Ron Race
	10:00 a.m.	Sharon Nalbach

Eucharistic Ministers:

Sat.	5:00 p.m.	Sue Droste, Herb Weiland, Jean Worzella
Sun.	8:00 a.m.	Chris & Kathy Strobe; Jon & Sue Byom
	10:00 a.m.	Sharon Nalbach, Sue Sopa Need 1 Volunteer

Musicians:

Sat.	5:00 p.m.	Sue Glinski & Ann Hartley
Sun.	8:00 a.m.	Becky Gudelis & John Sweeney Jr.
	10:00 a.m.	Joanie Moscinski & Bob Elliott

Ushers:

Sat.	5:00 p.m.	Jerry Worzella, Anthony Bielski, Lance Schroeder
Sun.	8:00 a.m.	Don Drewiske, Phil & Mary Mlsna
	10:00 a.m.	Carl Weinfurter, Jaime Fischer, Don Kempen

Greeters:

Sat.	5:00 p.m.	Robbin Wedell
Sun.	8:00 a.m.	Chris & Kathy Strobe
	10:00 a.m.	Need Volunteer

Video Taping: Scott Sculley

READINGS

Jan. 8th ~ Jan. 15th

Responsorial Psalm

Lord, every nation on earth will adore you.

Readings for the week of January 8, 2023

Sunday:	Is 60:1-6/Ps 72:1-2, 7-8, 10-11, 12-13 (see 11)/ Eph 3:2-3a, 5-6/Mt 2:1-12
Monday:	Is 42:1-4, 6-7 or Acts 10:34-38/Ps 29:1-2, 3-4, 3, 9-10 (11b)/Mt 3:13-17
Tuesday:	Heb 2:5-12/Ps 8:2ab and 5, 6-7, 8-9/Mk 1:21-28 or Heb 1:1-6 and 2:5-12/Mk 1:14-20 and 1:21-28
Wednesday:	Heb 2:14-18/Ps 105:1-2, 3-4, 6-7, 8-9/Mk 1:29-39
Thursday:	Heb 3:7-14/Ps 95:6-7c, 8-9, 10-11/Mk 1:40-45
Friday:	Heb 4:1-5, 11/Ps 78:3 and 4bc, 6c-7, 8/Mk 2:1-12
Saturday:	Heb 4:12-16/Ps 19:8, 9, 10, 15/Mk 2:13-17
Next Sunday:	Is 49:3, 5-6/Ps 40:2, 4, 7-8, 8-9, 10/1 Cor 1:1-3/ Jn 1:29-34



SACRAMENTAL LIFE

Pre-Baptism Sessions - Call Mary Jo Sigourney, 715 - 572 - 9748 for more information.

Baptisms - The Sacrament of Baptism for infants can be celebrated during the 8:00 a.m. or the 10 a.m. Mass. Please call the parish office at least 2 weeks ahead of time to make arrangements, 715 - 423-2111.

Communion to the Homebound - Anyone who is homebound and wishes to receive Holy Communion on Sunday, please notify the rectory 715/423-2111 or **Linda Millner at 715 - 421-2353** by Thursday, if possible. **Volunteers needed.**

Confessions - Saturday 4:00 p.m.

Eucharistic Adoration – The Marian Center for Peace, Mother of America Chapel, invites and encourages *all deanery parishioners* to spend time with Jesus, truly present, in the Eucharist in the chapel. The chapel is open 24 hours daily except during the Easter Triduum. Located at 241 Apricot St, Wisc. Rapids on the grounds of Saints Peter and Paul parish.

Marriages - Please contact the parish at least six months before proceeding with your marriage plans to reserve the date and to set up a meeting with the priest or deacon. To register for the **Marriage Prep Retreat** contact **Mary Jo Sigourney at 715-572-9748** or stvinred@gmail.com.

Knitting Group *Prayer Shawl Ministry* - consists of people who wish to prayerfully create shawls in which to enfold other people in need of it physically, mentally or emotionally. If you knit or crochet and would like to join this ministry, please contact **Karen Weinfurter at 715 - 424-1774**.

Prayer REQUESTS *Parish Prayer Chain* - Need Prayers? ~Simply put your prayer requests in an envelope marked **"Prayer Request"** & place it in the Sunday Collection Basket or Boxes at the Church Entrances. All requests will be delivered to our Parish Prayer Chain Leader. Or you can submit a request by contacting **Sandy Anderson, 715-421-5958** or **Sherry Squires, 1-715-284-1677**. All prayer requests are confidential.

GRIEF SUPPORT GROUP *Wis. Rapids Deanery "Serenity" Grief Support Group* meets on the 3rd Monday of the month in the Gathering Space of St. Vincent de Paul Church from 1-2 pm. **Next Meeting: 1/16/23.**

Send a Little Sunshine! ~ Do you know a parishioner that could use some encouragement? Let our **"Sunshine Ministry"** send them a card. Contact (call or email) the St. Vincent de Paul Office and let us know.

The Neighborhood Table - Now **"FOCUS Neighborhood Meals"** is located at 2321 W. Grand Ave. Meals are served every **Thursday from 4:30-6:00 pm**. Doors open at 4:15 & meals are in-house only (no take out).

Wisconsin Rapids Community Media - St Vincent de Paul records a Mass that is aired at **WRCM** on **Sundays at 4 p.m.** You may view these recordings on [Solarus Ch. 3](#); [Charter Ch. 985](#), and www.wr-cm.org (streaming t.v.)

PARISH LIFE

Custodian Needed

Our Parish is looking for someone new to take on the role of the **Church Custodian**. This is a part-time, paid position that involves grass cutting and snow removal on the sidewalks and entrances of the church and school. Interested parties can obtain more information by contacting the parish office. 715-423-2111.

Sacristan Needed

Our Parish is looking for someone new to take on the role of church "Sacristan." This is a part-time, paid position that involves a variety of tasks, including preparing the church for weekend masses. Interested parties can obtain more information by contacting the Parish Office 715-423-2111.

MASS INTENTIONS

There are many openings in the new year for Mass Intentions on both weekends & during our weekday masses. Mass Intentions can be said for both the living, as well as the deceased. If you would like to schedule an Intention, please call or email the **Parish Office at : stvin@wctc.net or 715 / 423-2111**. Mass Intentions are \$10 each.



EPIPHANY HOME BLESSING WITH CHALK - Chalking the door of a home is a practice cele-

brated by Catholics for centuries throughout the world. You can adopt the tradition with your family and dedicate the new year to God.

A traditional way of doing this is to write in chalk above your home's entrance - **20 + C + M + B + 2023**. The letters, C, M, B have two meanings. They are the initials of the traditional names of the *Magi: Caspar, Melchior and Balthazar*. They also abbreviate the Latin words: 'Christus Mansionem Benedicat', **"May Christ Bless the House."** The "+" signs represent the cross and 2023 is the year.

The St Vincent de Paul CCW is providing Blessed chalk and copies of the Epiphany Blessing. They are located in the Gathering Space for you to take to with you and bless your home.

DATES & EVENTS

NEW NEIGHBORHOOD TABLE LOCATION

THE NEIGHBORHOOD TABLE - Now called "FOCUS NEIGHBORHOOD MEALS" is located at 2321 W. Grand Ave. Meals are served every **Thursday from 4:30- 6:00 pm.** Doors open at 4:15 & meals are served in-house only (no take out).

ST. ALEXANDER PARISH JOB OPENING

St. Alexander Parish has a part-time (4 hours per week) job opening for Indoor Custodian for the church and school to begin immediately. Job description available at the parish office or by calling 715-887-3012. Must be willing to submit fingerprints for a background check.



January Scrip News

Scrip Sales resume this weekend

- 8th Street Escape is now Paradise Escape and is located in the former Becker Vision Building. Card denominations will be offered in \$25 and \$50 certificates with a 5% rebate.

NORMAL BUSINESS HOURS

Monday: 9-noon
 Tuesday: 9-1
 Wednesday: Closed
 Thursday: 11-6
 Friday: 9-1



PARISH FINANCES



"INSPIRED BY THE SPIRIT CAMPAIGN"
 2022 - 2027
 (As of 1-3-23)

TOTAL PLEDGED & RECEIVED	\$ 496,135.00
AMOUNT RECEIVED AT DIOCESE	\$ 151,888.21
PERCENT OF GOAL PLEDGED:	96.5%
NUMBER OF DONORS	168
GOAL	\$ 515,000.00
Amt. Needed to Reach Goal:	(18,865.00)

EPIPHANY OF THE LORD



HAITI COLLECTION UPDATE:

Envelopes	\$ 560.00	Cans	\$
Boxes	\$	Mass Intentions	\$ 10.00

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL PARISH STEWARDSHIP

Sunday ~ December 25, 2022 & Jan. 1, 2023

Electronic Giving (1-3-23)	\$ 4,327.00
Adult Envelopes	\$ 13,984.63
Offertory Plate	\$ 1,448.00
Children's Basket	\$ _____
Total	\$ 19,759.63

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RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

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January Schedule

Jan. 11 ~ Grades 1-8

Jan. 18 ~ Grades 1-9

Jan. 25 ~ Grades 1-8

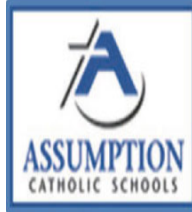
Confirmation Class Schedule

January 8 ~ (Sun.) ~ 6:30 – 7:45

*January 11 (Wed.) ~ Retreat 5:00 – 9:00 pm
@ Sacred Heart Church

Assumption Catholic Schools is seeking a family to host a student from Vietnam beginning with the 2023-24 school year. The student who will be attending AHS in the 10th grade is the brother of 2019 graduate, Steve Tran. Steve would like this same wonderful experience for his brother. We are seeking a family who is willing to open their hearts and home to him. It could be for one year or through graduation. You will have an unforgettable experience and an international friend. The exchange students are good students. They pay tuition, have their own spending money and health insurance. Please consider this wonderfully rewarding experience. You do not need to have a high school student to be a host family. You just need to provide a loving, supportive environment for the student to be successful.

If you are interested or have questions, please contact: Kerry Meinel, kmeinel@assumptioncatholicschools.org 715.422.0901



ACS Employment Openings

SAINT VINCENT DE PAUL contact Pam Fochs
pfochs@assumptioncatholicschools.org / 715-422-0962
◆ Grade 3 teacher (2023-24 start)

ASSUMPTION FOOD SERVICE – contact Joe Ann Cephas,
715-422-0922 / jcephas@assumptioncatholicschools.org
◆ Head cook St. Lawrence ECC

ST. LAWRENCE ECC contact JoAnn Wendels
jwendels@assumptioncatholicschools.org / 715-422-0990
◆ 4K aide/paraprofessional PT mornings

SYSTEM WIDE – Substitutes for classrooms, offices and more – contact Michele Haas for a packet. 715-422-0904
mhaas@assumptioncatholicschools.org

For teaching positions please send letter of interest, resume and 3 letters of reference to the associated contact. For all positions please contact the associated contact.



ST. VINCENT DE PAUL SCHOOL NEWS

Mission Statement: to inspire excellence and personal growth grounded in Catholic principles and tradition.



From the desk of Ms. Bruley

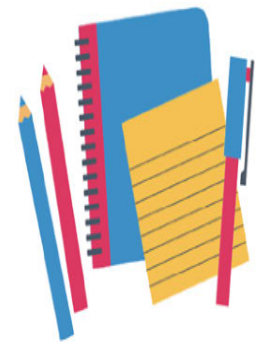
You are very welcome to join our ACS school family at any time. If you would like to visit our schools and see what a day in the life of a Catholic school student involves, please call the ACS Enrollment office at 715-422-0901 to make a reservation.

CATHOLIC SCHOOLS WEEK will be celebrated from January 30th to February 6th. Please join us in our excitement and spread the word about what a great school system we have here!



OLQH KINDERGARTEN REGISTRATION

Thursday, Feb. 2, 2023
From 4-6 pm at OLQH
School



Please bring your child's birth certificate and immunization record.

Questions?
Call Kerry Meinel at
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