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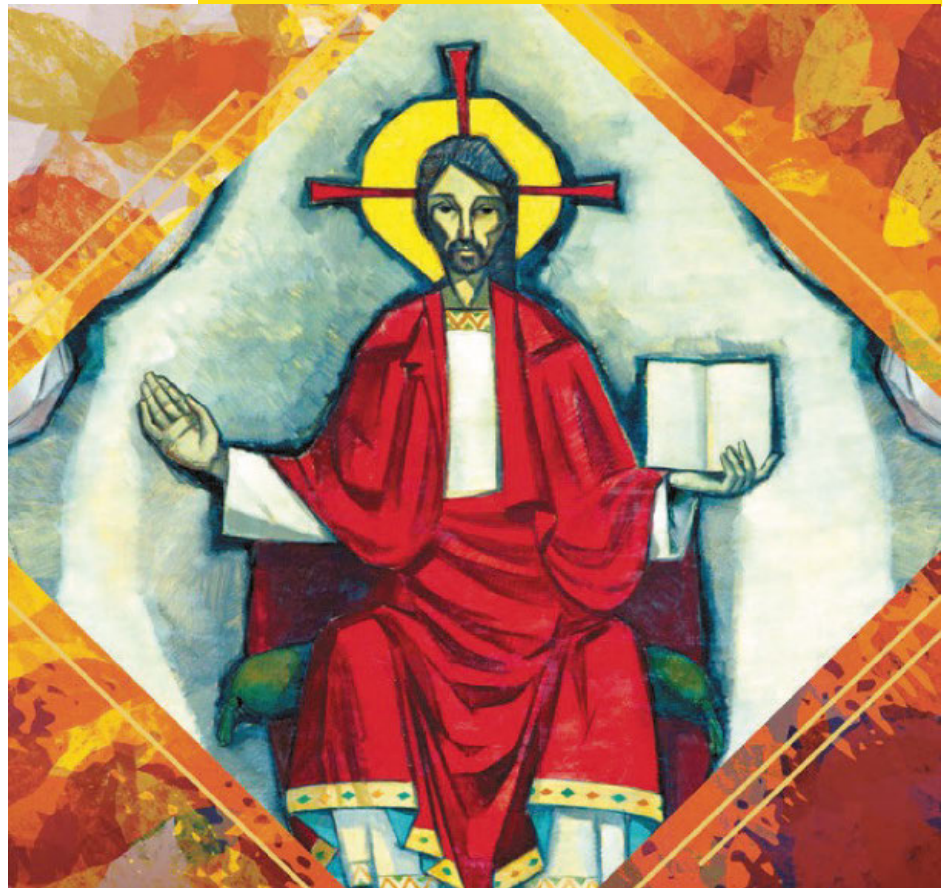
Bulletin Deadline – Monday ~ 3pm

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



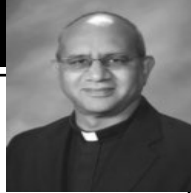
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Jesus raised his eyes to heaven and
said, "Father, the hour has come.
Give glory to your son, so that your
son may glorify you."

JOHN 17:1

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...



MAY 21ST
THE ASCENSION OF THE LORD

Have you ever noticed how often we use “up” and “down” to judge things? Beethoven’s Ninth Symphony is “high” art, while professional wrestling is “low.” If I’m having a good day, I’m on “cloud nine.” A bad day means I am “down in the dumps.” A successful career is “moving up the ladder.” Failure in work or personal life can be “falling from the heights.” Life is filled with “ups and downs” — no one has the slightest problem understanding that means life has both “good and bad.”

Now consider Jesus’ ascension. He ascends not just to some level slightly higher of goodness, but “above all the heavens,” to use the words of Saint Paul (Eph.4:10). That expression means to the source of all goodness. He has gone all the way down — to the farthest depths of human suffering, and death. And now he has taken our humanity all the way up into God. In doing so he has demonstrated what he says in the Gospel of John to the Father: **“Everything of yours is mine.”** He now reigns over every possible aspect of creation in and through his human nature. That’s what the ascension is all about.

So what? No matter what the lows and highs, ups and down we face this week, we are totally encompassed by the one who descended and ascended. So, we should happily and confidently entrust ourselves to him. He has shown us not only his power, but especially his love, in filling all our ups and down with his presence.

— *Father John Muir*

May God bless you all !!

READINGS <i>May 21st ~ May 28th</i>	Responsorial Psalm <i>Let all the earth cry out to God with joy.</i>
Readings for the week of May 21, 2023	
Sunday:	<i>Ascension: Acts 1:1-11/Ps 47:2-3, 6-7, 8-9 (6)/Eph 1:17-23/Mt 28:16-20</i>
Monday:	<i>Acts 19:1-8/Ps 68:2-3ab, 4-5acd, 6-7ab/Jn 16:29-33</i>
Tuesday:	<i>Acts 20:17-27/Ps 68:10-11, 20-21/Jn 17:1-11a</i>
Wednesday:	<i>Acts 20:28-38/Ps 68:29-30, 33-35a, 35bc-36ab/Jn 17:11b-19</i>
Thursday:	<i>Acts 22:30; 23:6-11/Ps 16:1-2a and 5, 7-8, 9-10, 11/Jn 17:20-26</i>
Friday:	<i>Acts 25:13b-21/Ps 103:1-2, 11-12, 19-20ab/Jn 21:15-19</i>
Saturday:	<i>Morning: Acts 28:16-20, 30-31/Ps 11:4, 5 and 7/Jn 21:20-25</i>
Next Sunday:	<i>Vigil: Gn 11:1-9 or Ex 19:3-8a, 16-20b or Ez 37:1-14 or Jl 3:1-5/Ps 104:1-2, 24, 35, 27-28, 29, 30/Rom 8:22-27/Jn 7:37-39v Day: Acts 2:1-11/Ps 104:1, 24, 29-30, 31, 34 (see 30)/1 Cor 12:3b-7, 12-13/Jn 20:19-23</i>

LITURGICAL SCHEDULE

FOR MAY 20TH ~ MAY 28TH

Saturday	5:00 p.m. † Tom Wendland
Sunday	8:00 a.m. † Marie Bayerl
	10:00 a.m. † Karen Feenstra
Monday	8:00 a.m. <i>Communion Prayer Service</i>
Tuesday	5:00 p.m. † Deceased Members of the Gudelis & Pionke Families
Wednesday	8:00 a.m. † Berneice Murphy
{School Mass}	9:00 a.m. † For Student & Staff of St. Vincent de Paul School
Thursday	8:00 a.m. † For All Parishioners
Friday	8:00 a.m. † For All Parishioners
Saturday	5:00 p.m. † Therese McDonald
Sunday	8:00 a.m. † For All Parishioners
	10:00 a.m. † Gordon & Marie Reimer

NEXT WEEKEND’S MINISTERS ~ MAY 27TH & 28TH

Servers :

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

Lectors:

Sat. 5:00 p.m.	Barb Andersen
Sun. 8:00 a.m.	Kathy Strobe
10:00 a.m.	Need Volunteer

Eucharistic Ministers:

Sat. 5:00 p.m.	Sue Droste, Herb Weiland, Jean Worzella
Sun. 8:00 a.m.	Dennis Pribbenow, Jean Drewiske, Tom Voelker
10:00 a.m.	Mary Wolosek, Need 2 Volunteers

Musicians:

Sat. 5:00 p.m.	Sue Glinski & Ann Hartley
Sun. 8:00 a.m.	Becky Gudelis & Bob Elliott
10:00 a.m.	Joanie Moscinski & Meredith Engwall/Janice Bielski

Ushers:

Sat. 5:00 p.m.	Jerry Worzella, Darrel Anderson, Lance Schroeder
Sun. 8:00 a.m.	Mark Mischnick, Bill Gardner, Len Zellner
10:00 a.m.	Ken Apfelbeck, Jamie Fisher, Need Volunteer

Greeters:

Sat. 5:00 p.m.	Robbin Wedell
Sun. 8:00 a.m.	Mary Koeshall
10:00 a.m.	Need Volunteer

Video Taping: Donna Filter



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 any weekend 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: 5/15/23.**

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.

"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.)

"FOCUS" Food Pantry St. Vincent 's is looking for volunteers for the **Food Pantry**. We share volunteer duties at the Pantry with 15 other churches -(our turn comes up every 15 weeks) - which comes to 4-5 times a year. Volunteers work a 4 hour shift (11:45 - 4:00) on Mon., Wed., Thurs. & Fri. & a 3 hour shift (3:45 - 7:00) on Tues. If you are interested please call **Ann See at 715-421-4583**.

PARISH LIFE

Mission Preaching

The Weekend of June 3rd & 4th , Fr. Manno will be here to talk about the mission of

"MADHA CATHOLIC TV".

There will be a second collection taken up that weekend to benefit this mission.

THANK YOU!

As our Religious Education year comes to an end, I would like to extend a special "THANK YOU" to the TEACHERS who have shared the gift of Faith with our parish children.

Thank you to: Pat Springer, John Sweeney Jr. and Brad Matott.

I could not do all that I do without your help and support. May God Bless you always!

Thank you also to the parents and grandparents who bring the students to class each week and support them in their faith journeys.



IN LOVING MEMORY

Roger A. Rokus

{August 1, 1943 ~ May 3, 2023}

Beloved Husband of ~ Susan Rokus (nee` Hyland)

Beloved Dad of ~ Michael (Kelly) Rokus, Sue (Mark) Nugent, Carmen (Paul) Bredlau, Char (Don) Symmank, Chuck (Jane) Chariton, Chris (Tina) Chariton and Chad (Danielle) Chariton

Beloved Grandpa to ~ Nick (Kylie) Rokus; 12 step grandchildren; 14 step great-grandchildren and 2 step great-great-grandchildren.

Beloved Brother of ~ Gene (Sharon) Rokus

Roger was a life long resident of Wisconsin Rapids. He was an avid outdoorsman and loved to hunt and fish.

DATES & EVENTS

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

Friday, May 26: Assumption High School Graduation at 7:00 pm. The Fourth Degree Honor Guard members will process.



Scrip News

Beginning **Memorial Day week**, the Scrip Office will begin **SUMMER HOURS of operation:**

Monday 9-noon, Tuesday 9-1, and Thursday 11-6. The Scrip Office needs volunteers on Tuesdays in June and July. I can be contacted through email: tduellman@assumptioncatholicschools.org or office phone: 715-422-0909. Thank you in advance for considering.



AHS ATHLETICS 24TH ANNUAL CASH SWEEPSTAKES WINNERS

The winning entries in the Assumption High School Athletic Association 24th Annual Cash Sweepstakes are listed below. The drawing was held, as scheduled, on Sunday, May 14, 2023, at approximately 4:00 p.m. at Assumption High School. Our sincere appreciation to everyone who participated in the drawing, and thereby, supporting athletics at Assumption High School.

Grand Prize	\$ 5,000	Rick Bender	Wis. Rapids
Grand Prize	\$ 3,000	Joe Wirtz	Nekoosa
1st Prize	\$ 1,000	Dennis McCarville	Wis. Rapids
2nd Prize	\$ 500	Pat Murphy	Wis. Rapids
2nd Prize	\$ 500	Charles & Kerry Oertli	Port Edwards
2nd Prize	\$ 500	Sandra Schuerman	Wis. Rapids
3rd Prize	\$ 400	Marv & Sherry Kohlbeck	Pittsville
3rd Prize	\$ 400	Taylor Nelson	Wis. Rapids
3rd Prize	\$ 400	Todd Duellman	Wis. Rapids
4th Prize	\$ 300	Kerry Koeshall	Wis. Rapids
4th Prize	\$ 300	Wayne Tracy	Wis. Rapids
4th Prize	\$ 300	Dennis P. Behselich	Pittsville
4th Prize	\$ 300	Mike Morgan	Rudolph
5th Prize	\$ 200	Doug Joosten	Wis. Rapids
5th Prize	\$ 200	Elaine Semrow	Wis. Rapids
5th Prize	\$ 200	Felicia Garnick	Wis. Rapids
5th Prize	\$ 200	Jessica Crowns	Wis. Rapids
5th Prize	\$ 200	Ron Race	Wis. Rapids

ACS Employment Openings

- ◆ Saint Vincent de Paul contact Pam Fochs pfochs@assumptioncatholicschools.org 715-422-0962
* Librarian for 2023-2024.
- ◆ Assumption Catholic Schools Food Service contact Joe Anne Cephas jcephas@assumptioncatholicschools.org 715-422-0922
* MS/HS cook immediate start
- ◆ St. Lawrence Early Childhood Center contact JoAnn Wendels jwendels@assumptioncatholicschools.org 715-422-0990
* 4K teacher for the WRPS 4K site at SLECC (2023-24 start)
- ◆ Assumption Catholic Middle and High Schools contact Jimmy Lynch jlynch@assumptioncatholicschools.org 715-422-0913
* MS HS Interventionist – special education (2023-24 start)
* MS Math (2023-24 start)
* HS Religion/Latin (2023-24 start)
* MS any subject (2023-24 start)
* MS HS Spanish (2023-24 start)
- ◆ System Wide – Substitutes for classrooms, offices and more contact Melissa O'Brien, 715-422- 090
mobrien@assumptioncatholicschools.org for a packet.

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 .



Have a safe & enjoyable **MEMORIAL DAY** holiday with Family & Friends.

The Parish Office will be ***closed*** for the holiday, and will resume its office hours on Tuesday, May 30th .

PARISH FINANCES

HAITI COLLECTION UPDATE:

Envelopes	\$ 347.00	Cans	\$ 95.00
Boxes	\$	Mass Intentions	\$ 350.00

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL PARISH STEWARDSHIP

Sunday ~ May 14, 2023

Adult Envelopes	\$ 10,440.20
Offertory Plate	\$ 471.00
Children's Basket	\$ _____
Total	\$ 10,911.20



*Assumption Catholic Schools
Congratulates & Celebrates
the **Class of 2023***

*Cristin Anne Casey
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Emily Rose Fisher
Sadie Katherine Galbreath
Parker J. Gehrke
Kenny A. Golat
Ava K. Goodness
Tarren J. Hoffman
Gracie Lyn Hoffmann
Xaivier Matthew Hoffmann
Grace Frances Lydia Johnson
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Amber Nicole Schoenick
Kaycee Ora Schultz
Ryan Matthew Shaw
Cade M. Statz
Hannah Elizabeth Vakoc*



ST. VINCENT DE PAUL SCHOOL NEWS

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



From the desk of Mrs. Fochs:

As we are winding down our school year, students are scurrying to get as much learning done as they can. This is our last week of school. We pray for all parishioners each day for their support and confidence as we grow to be leaders in our community and beyond. It's wonderful to see the students who represent the character traits their parents have shown them. We journey through this path together as a community.

SVDP is looking for the perfect person to manage our school library. Do you have a love for books, for children, and some great organizational skills? We are the place for you. Please contact Pam Fochs at 715.422.0960 or pfochs@assumptioncatholicschools.org to find out more.

Thank you to Lori Buntrock, Liz Erdmann, Lauri Zalewski, Kari Reinke, and Emma Grygleski for your time and passion with us. We wish you much love and prosperity as you go onto your next season with your families.



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