



**SAINT VINCENT DE PAUL
CATHOLIC PARISH**

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FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT

MARCH 6, 2022

Revive

a city-wide mission night

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WEDNESDAY, MARCH 9
BISHOP DWENGER H.S.

The Light is ON for You.

Celebrate the Sacrament of Reconciliation

THE LIGHT IS ON FOR YOU
(For those who have been away from Confession for a while)

TUESDAY, MARCH 8 | 6 - 8 PM

Haven't been to Confession in a while?

Interested, but worry you don't remember how to give a good Confession?

No problem.

This Lent, every Catholic parish in the Diocese of Fort Wayne - South Bend will have Confessions available on **Tuesday, March 8**, from 6:00 - 8:00 pm. If you have been reluctant to come to the Sacrament, have been away for some time, or just find it difficult to get to a Wednesday afternoon or Saturday morning Confession time, this is a wonderful opportunity to reconnect with Christ and His Church.

Simply see "Going to Confession" (page 8) for helpful guidance. Then, stop by any Catholic church in the diocese on **Tuesday, March 8**, from 6:00 - 8:00 pm, for the Sacrament of Reconciliation and quiet prayer.



**Guest Speaker
Msgr. Shea**

**MARCH 31, 2022
6:30 PM**

Msgr. Shea is the president of the University of Mary and the principal author of the book "From Christendom to Apostolic Mission." He was the youngest-ever university president when he accepted that position. We invite you to come hear about how the Church is entering a new era in its history!

Lenten Fridays

through April 8

5:30 pm Mass (in the Church)*

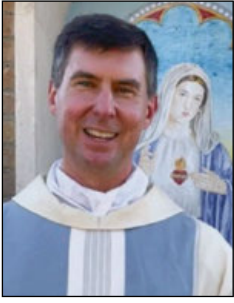
6:30 pm Stations of the Cross

**No 5:30 pm Mass in the Oratory*



St. Mary's Choir sang at the 5 PM Mass at St. Vincent's on Saturday, February 19. They performed a short concert after Mass.

From Our Pastor



On this first Sunday of Lent, the Gospel speaks to us of the forty days Jesus spent in the desert, summing up in His own Person the forty years the people of Israel spent in the wilderness moving from slavery to the Promised Land. The forty days of Christ's testing also provide the form for our own facing of temptation through the spiritual nourishment of prayer.

Lent is the time for conversion of life and more passionately committed following of the Lord. Our own personal investment in growing in spiritual health is the most immediate, practical response we can give the Lord, for the good of the Church and the life of the world.

Using our calendars as instruments of prayer, today would be the ideal moment to map out how we are going to prioritize the things of God in the weeks ahead. This weekend's bulletin is filled with opportunities for us to do this with the support of other people.

An optimal Lenten practice of growing in prayer would be committing to a weekly holy hour at our perpetual adoration chapel, the Oratory of St. Mary Magdalene. In this Sunday's Gospel, we see how Jesus seeks out silent intimacy with His Heavenly Father by going to a wilderness place set apart. The Oratory is designed to be like the Garden of Paradise, revealing the gifts of Heaven that the Lord wins for us through Passion, Death, and Resurrection—all to give

to us in fresh, new ways this year.

As Christ was faced with three temptations in the wilderness, we must contend with three temptations when it comes to prayer: fear of commitment, fear of not "doing" anything, and fear of intimacy. Scheduling an hour of being with the Eucharistic Lord in the Oratory is a loving act of faith around which we can organize the rest of our life. It is perfectly "useless," because it comes from the gratuity of love, liberating us from having to achieve another thing or indeed anything. Finally, our weekly holy hour exposes us to how Christ wishes us to just be with Him and rest in Him, surrounded by the beauty of silence, the first language God uses to speak to us!

Finally, please keep in your prayers the men giving and receiving the Christ Renews His Parish retreat, as well as the women who will be making their retreat in two weeks.

In St. Vincent's love of Christ,
Fr. Daniel Scheidt

P.S., If you are looking for an excellent almsgiving opportunity, identify those people from our family and friends whom we must personally invite back to church in the weeks ahead. No one is meant by the Lord to live in exile from the Sunday family reunion of worship at Mass. The streaming liturgies can be a helpful supplement to our spiritual life but are in no way a replacement for being present in person. Just as we believe in the Real Presence of Christ in the Eucharist, we also believe in the necessity of our "real presence" in the Body of Christ gathered as the Church!



**Next Sunday,
March 13!**

5:30 PM FRIDAY ORATORY MASSES

There will be NO 5:30 pm Mass in the Oratory during Lent (March 11, March 18, March 25, April 1, April 8). Friday evening Masses during Lent will be in the church at 5:30 pm, followed by Stations of the Cross at 6:30pm. The 5:30 pm Friday night Masses in the Oratory will resume on Friday, April 22.

ADORERS NEEDED:

We are in need of committed adorers:

Fridays: 11 AM &

9 PM (2nd, 4th & 5th Fridays of the month)

Please call 489-3537 ext. 224 if you can help.

PERPETUAL ADORATION AT ST. VINCENT'S

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament in the Oratory of St. Mary Magdalene is continuous with the exception of Mass at **5:30 pm on Fridays.**



To schedule your hour with Jesus, visit saintv.weadorehim.com. Click "login" and "create one now" to open an account. After you've entered your information, the schedule will open for you. Click the hour you'd like to adore, select the frequency and then "sign up" (you may also request substitutes for times you can't make it to adoration at saintv.weadorehim.com).

THE LITTLE BLACK BOOK

Copies of The Little Black Book (with daily Lenten reflections) are available in the Gathering Space. Please take one for your family to share.

USE OF INCENSE

Incense may be used at the 8:15 am Mass on **Saturday, March 19**, as we celebrate the Solemnity of St. Joseph, Spouse of the Blessed Virgin Mary.

Incense may be used at the 8:15 am Mass on **Friday, March 25**, as we celebrate The Annunciation of the Lord.

We use an incense which is hypoallergenic.

Until further notice, the section of pews near the confessionals will have every other pew roped off to provide social distancing during **the 5 PM Saturday Vigil and 7 AM and 5 PM Masses on Sunday**. Anyone sitting in this section **must wear a mask when the ropes are on the pews**. This section will be open during the 9 AM and 11 AM Masses.

If you have health concerns, you are encouraged to sit in this section. The rest of the Church will remain open, and you may choose to wear a mask or not.

We are implementing this change as a true sacrificial act of charity for our brothers and sisters who have health concerns. If you are not concerned about social distancing or choose to not wear a mask, please find another place in the Church to accommodate those who use this section.

Mass Intentions

MONDAY, MARCH 7 [Sts. Perpetua & Felicity, Martyrs]

6:30 AM SC INT PAT SAMUELS

8:15 AM (s) Ch † ANDREW MCCANNA

TUESDAY, MARCH 8 [St. John of God, Religious]

6:30 AM SC † JIM KESSLER

8:15 AM (s) Ch SPECIAL INTENTIONS

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 9 [St. Francis of Rome, Religious]

6:30 AM SC † CHARLENE HARTMAN

8:15 AM (s) Ch † JUDSON BEAMSLEY

THURSDAY, MARCH 10

6:30 AM SC † MARTHA FREYGANG

8:15 AM (s) Ch † MIKE STANCAZAK, JR.

FRIDAY, MARCH 11 [day of abstinence]

8:15 AM (s) Ch † ROBERT & SALLY WEIGAND [SCHM]

5:30 PM CH † PAUL & BETTY BRENNAN

SATURDAY, MARCH 12

8:15 AM (s) Ch † SUZANNE TIPPMMAN

5:00 PM Ch † DEC'D MEMBERS OF KOSLOSKI FAMILY

SUNDAY, MARCH 13 [Second Sunday of Lent]

7:00 AM Ch † DAVID ROHLOFF

9:00 AM (s) Ch † DAVE AKER

11:00 AM Ch † FRANK & LOUISE BAUMGARTNER

1:30 PM Ch † ADOLPH "BUD" NIX [SM]

5:00 PM Ch INT FOR THE PARISH

Ch: Church | SC: Spiritual Center Chapel
Or: Oratory | (s): streamed | [SCHM]: All School Mass |
[SM]: SENSORY MASS

Masses streamed at SAINTV.ORG, Facebook and YouTube
(8:15 AM Monday - Saturday and 9 AM Sunday).

PERPETUAL ADORATION AT ORATORY

Sign up at saintv.org/adoration

RECONCILIATION

TUESDAY, MARCH 8

6:00 - 8:00 PM

The Light Is On For You
Confessions

Church alcoves & Confessionals

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 9

4:30 - 5:30 PM

Church alcoves & Confessionals

SATURDAY, MARCH 12

8:45 - 9:45 AM

Church alcoves & Confessionals

VOCATION CROSS:

To volunteer: 489-3537 ext. 3 or saintv.org/vocation-cross

CHURCH OFFICE

Monday-Friday 8:30 AM-4:30 PM

Saturday 4:30-5 PM | after 5 PM Mass-6:30 PM

Sunday after 7 AM Mass - 12:30 PM

The Church Office will NOT be open during Mass!

SCRIP (WEEKEND SALES)

Saturday: after 5 PM Mass

Sunday: after 7 AM Mass until 9 AM &

after 9 AM Mass until 11 AM

SCRIP will NOT be sold during Mass!

Readings of the Day - saintv.org/scripture or USCCB.ORG

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LET US KNOW

... if you have a family member in the hospital who would like a visit from a priest (489-3537 ext. 3).

Parish Calendar

Monday, March 7

6:00 pm Rosary Society Meeting [Parish Library]

6:15 pm AHG Troop Meeting [Parish Hall]

7:00 pm Ignatius RDL [SC Room C (#3)]

Tuesday, March 8

8:30 am SVDP Society Carpenter's sons [LC Cafe]

9:00 am Two by Two Bible Study [LC Red Conference Rm]

4:30 pm Shepherds of Christ [Blessed Sacrament Chapel]

6:00 pm **The Light Is On For You** (Confessions) [Church]

6:30 pm Revelation Bible Study [LC Red Conf. Rm]

6:30 pm School Board [Parish Library]

6:30 pm Young Adult Lenten Study [LC Fireplace Room]

6:45 pm RCIA [SC Rooms A&B]

7:30 pm AA [SC Room G (#4)]

Wednesday, March 9

Diocesan Priests' Day of Recollection

9:00 am WINGS [LC Red Conference Room]

9:00 am Revelation Bible Study [Parish Library]

4:30 pm **Confessions** [Church alcoves & Confessionals]

6:00 pm Revive City-Wide Mission Night [BDHS]

6:00 pm Sacramental Arts [LC Red Conference Room]

7:00 pm K of C Officer Meeting [SC Room B (#1)]

Thursday, March 10

8:00 am Coffee and Convos [LC Cafe]

9:00 am WINGS II [SC Room A]

12:30 pm HASA Meeting [SC Room A]

5:00 pm Stewardship Committee [Church Conf. Room]

6:30 pm Dave Ramsey Financial Class [SC Room B (#1)]

7:00 pm Kingdom Builders [Church]

7:00 pm Baptismal Prep (Christian Parenting) [SC Room A]

8:00 pm Al Anon [SC Room G (#4)]

Friday, March 11

5:00 pm Scouts Fish Fry [Parish Hall]

5:30 pm **Mass** [Church]

6:30 pm **Stations of the Cross** [Church]

Saturday, March 12

8:00 am AHG Lenten Retreat [SC Rooms A&B]

8:45 am **Confessions** [Church alcoves & Confessionals]

9:00 am Overeaters Anonymous [SC Room C (#3)]

9:30 am St. Augustine Men's Group [LC Red Conf Room]

Sunday, March 13 [Second Sunday of Lent]

Daylight Saving Time Begins

9:00 am Mass (Penitential Rite) [Church]

7:00 pm Women's AA [SC Room C (#3)]

(#) indicates Door # | SC - Spiritual Center | LC - Life Center

OLIVE WOOD SALES

Alfred & Grace Salsa, natives of Bethlehem, will be with us on the weekend of **March 5 and 6** with their beautiful display of Holy Land religious items made by the Christian families who live behind the separation wall in the Holy city. Please stop by their display in the Parish Library after all Masses. You will find meaningful religious Easter gifts and many other items for different occasions. Thank you and God Bless.



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Sunday, March 6: Remember who you are!
[6 - 8 pm | Life Center]

Join us as we talk about growing in relationship with God through making declarations. Our words carry power because we are made in the image of God, whose Word is all-powerful. Declarations are truths about who we are and who God is, which can help us be “transformed by the renewal of our minds,” helping us claim the truth in faith about God’s promises and to step into the fullness of our identity in Him.

Sunday, March 13: Ups and Downs
[6 - 8 pm | Life Center]

Most of us have high points and low points to share. Life is full of highs and lows, ups and downs. This is our natural cycle. But it seems like the higher you are, the harder it is to come down. Come listen to a brief witness and then spend time with small groups to discuss how you are keeping up with your Lenten goals.

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Sunday, March 6

**SISTER
BENEDICTA**

Remember who you are
HS Teen Life Night
John Kuzmich Life Center
6:00 - 8:00 p.m.



**GLORY
Revealed**

~ SAVE THE DATE ~
High School Spring Retreat
Friday, April 22 - Sunday, April 24
@ St Felix in Huntington, IN
Registration will be Live SOON!



SAVE THE DATE FOR CATHOLIC KIDZ CAMP

Children ages 4 through grade 5 are invited to join the fun at Catholic Kidz Camp scheduled for **June 6 – 10** (9:00 AM to noon in St. Vincent School). Many student and adult volunteers are needed as well. Watch the bulletin for registration and volunteer details! If you have questions, contact Debbie at debbieblackburn@saintv.org.

IMPORTANT DATES:

FAMILIES LIVING FAITH SESSIONS: GRADES 1 - 6

- Sunday, March 6: 3 PM in the Church
- Wednesday, March 9: 6 PM in the Church

SACRAMENTAL PREP SESSION - GRADES 1 & 2 (1ST & 2ND YEAR)

Students in Spiritual Center | Adults in Parish Hall

- Sunday, March 13: 3 PM
- Wednesday, March 16: 6 PM

FIRST COMMUNION RETREAT - 2ND GRADE

- Saturday, March 26 7:45 AM - noon | SV School

FIRST COMMUNION PRACTICE: (FFF 2ND GRADE FAMILIES ONLY)

- Wednesday, April 20 6:00 - 7:30 pm | Church

SACRAMENT DATES:

- First Holy Communion: 1 PM in the Church
 - ◊ Sunday, April 24
 - ◊ Sunday, May 8 (or at any regularly scheduled Mass on the weekend of May 7 & 8)

MIDDLE SCHOOL MINISTRY



EDGE ** MIDDLE SCHOOL MINISTRY
WWW.SAINTV.ORG/MIDDLESCHOOL
MIDDLESCHOOLMINISTRY@SAINTV.ORG

Next Series in Edge - Girls and Guys

We all know that girls and guys are different. This difference is a beautiful part of God’s plan. These differences affect how we pray, how we relate to one another, build friendships, how we live and act, and more! Join us for this practical and fun series as we dive more into what it means to be a Catholic man or Catholic woman and how we live this out!

Coming up in Edge:

- March 14 Edge night: Guys and Girls Series
- March 21 Edge night: Guys and Girls Series

BAPTISMAL PREPARATION

Attendance at two Baptismal Preparation Sessions is required before your child is baptized. You may attend Session II before Session I, if necessary. Each session will begin at 7:00 pm. It is recommended that both parents attend before the birth of your child so that there will be no delay in setting a date for the baptism once the baby is born. Godparents, too, are welcome. At least one parent must be Catholic and at least one Godparent must be a practicing Catholic. Parents must be registered in the Parish. Please call the Church Office (489-3537 ext. 3) or register online at saintv.org/Baptism.

Session I (Christian Parenting):

- March 10 (Spiritual Center A—Door #2)

Session II (Baptismal Rite):

- March 17 (Church Conference Room)

SCHOOL NEWS

Fellow Parishioners, 03/06/22
Greetings in Christ! I continue to thank God for His fruitfulness in calling our parish and school to be conduits of His grace.

Sometimes that grace is the fruit of many moving parts. I saw that this week in two events. Our youth theatre performance, in which grades 2-4 performed some fun, funny, and very inspiring Christian-themed *Be the Light* songs and scripts, truly did help us to reflect on God's light in our lives. Not only was their actual performance commendable – they had worked hard on this and their quality from rehearsing was truly outstanding – but many others had helped. Teachers had given time from schedules and their presence during rehearsals to make sure all went smoothly. 8th grade volunteers, both young men and young women, helped lead this event, where they would sit on the floor in front of the students and guide them with gestures, reminding them of what to do and when. Our maintenance department put in a huge amount of work getting our gym ready. Our technology staff did likewise, ensuring sound and all mics were working properly and ready to go. Our parents and families helped prepare for and be a part of our evening performance – the gym was packed! Ms. Fowler had help from 5th grade students to make some exceptional artwork for the evening – saint themed – these were incredibly well done! *Be the Light* was an adaptation from a book by a local children's author, and his family was present to see the show and offer copies for sale. Mrs. Proulx gets particular kudos as her vision and joy really are what made all this possible! So everyone involved in this had their own part to play (we might think of St. Paul's letters explaining we are one body in Christ, each with our own spiritual, different gifts), and the end result was a beautiful testament to the talents of children and the grace of God.

That same day, for grades 5-8, we had a vocations assembly, beginning with Mass. Our speakers included Fr. Jay and Ms. Hayes from our own staff, and then St. Vincent's seminarian Caleb Kruse, and two sisters of St. Francis of Perpetual Adoration, from Mishawaka, St. Regina and Sr. Ignatia. Ms. Hayes gets the particular credit here for reaching out to everyone to get this in motion, along with our teachers who helped children pray on this gathering and think of questions they would ask. The Holy Spirit made a particular contribution in that Deacon Brian Isenbarger happened to be home from seminary as well, and had reached out to Fr. Jay, not knowing we were doing this, to see if he could join for Mass and give the homily. He did a great job, and even stayed to take part in the vocations panel. It's as if God directly wanted to bless us with further support! Many moving parts contributed to a greater grace and goodness in these two moments of our school life. Whether in our family life, in work, in our community here or local Fort Wayne community, the Lord invites us to be a moving part of His divine plan to bring greater good to bear. This week, where and how can we pause to see this invitation?

In Faith,
Mr. Coyle, Principal

...my God in whom I trust.

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY

One Church—One Family

The St. Vincent de Paul Society food pantry is in need of:

Instant oatmeal packets Crackers & snacks
Toothpaste & tooth brushes Microwave popcorn
Canned cannellini beans & chili beans

**Thank you for your partnership
in helping the poor!**

Coming Soon at St. Vincent's:

March:

18 Mass [5:30PM in church] | Stations of the Cross [6:30PM] | **NO 5:30PM Mass in Oratory**

19/20 Women's Christ Renews His Parish Retreat

23 **SV Evening of Confessions** [6:30PM]

31 Speaker: Msgr. Shea [6:30PM]

April 10 **Palm Sunday** [Sat. vigil: 5PM, Sunday: 7AM, 9AM (i, st), 11AM (i) 1:30PM, 5PM (i)]

April 11 Chrism Mass at Cathedral, FW

April 13 Seder Meal [6PM, reservations required]

April 14 **Holy Thursday** [Mass: 7PM (i, st)]

April 15 **Good Friday** [Passion Service: 1PM (st), Tenebrae: 9PM]

April 16 **Holy Saturday** [Easter Vigil: 8:45 PM (i); **NO 5PM Mass**]

April 17 **Easter Sunday** [Masses: 7AM, 9AM Church (i, st), 9AM Gym, 11AM Church (i), 11AM Gym; Easter Egg Hunt: 12:30PM; **NO 1:30PM Mass and NO 5PM Mass**]

(i) Incense may be used | (st) Streamed

YOUNG ADULT LENTEN STUDY

Young adults are invited to our six-week Lenten Study on "The Art of Living: The Cardinal Virtues and the Freedom to Love." We will meet on Tuesdays (**beginning March 8**) from 6:30 - 8:00 pm. Sign up at saintv.org/youngadults.

GOOD SHEPHERD BOOKS & GIFTS SALE

The Annual Spring Sale at Good Shepherd Books & Gifts will be Monday, March 14 through Saturday, March 19. 20% off your entire purchase! Hours: M - F, 10AM - 6PM and Saturday, 10AM - 2PM. Contact 260-399-1442.

SEEKING SPONSORS FOR CELEBRATE! 2022 ~ TOGETHER AGAIN!

St. Vincent School's Annual Dinner and Auction will be held on **Saturday, May 21**, at the Allen County Memorial Coliseum Conference Center. To see the sponsorship levels we have available, visit <http://bidpal.net/celebrate2022> or contact reginazedaker@saintv.org. Thank you in advance for your continued support.

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PARISH REWARDS

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STUFF THE TRUCK FOR REFUGEES

March 26 and 27, at weekend Masses, Catholic Charities will be collecting items for refugee families. Under the Refugee Resettlement and Placement program of the United States Catholic Conference of Bishops (USCCB), Catholic Charities has been helping war-torn families rebuild their life since 1975. Learn more at www.ccfwsb.org.

HYGIENE: toothpaste, toothbrush, soap, floss, shampoo, conditioner, toilet paper, feminine hygiene

CLEANING: mop, broom, hand soap, trash cans, detergent, cleaners, paper towels, buckets

LINENS: bed sheets (all sizes), blankets, towels, bedbug protector, pillows (*can be used, but no stains or rips*)

OTHER: rice cooker, tea kettle, microwave, silverware, cups, plates, backpack, board books

ROSARY SOCIETY MEETING

Ladies of the parish are invited to a Rosary Society meeting on **Monday, March 7**, at 6:00 pm. We will meet in the Parish Library (in the Gathering Space).

THE REALITY OF EVIL AND THE CHURCH'S MINISTRY OF EXORCISM

The World Apostolate of Fatima for the Diocese of Fort Wayne - South Bend would like to announce our first ever Lenten Mission: *The Reality of Evil and the Church's Ministry of Exorcism* by Fr. Vincent Lampert, the Exorcist for the Archdiocese of Indianapolis, on **Thursday, March 17**, at Queen of Angels Parish. The night begins at 5:00 pm and includes Confession, Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament, Mass in honor of St. Patrick of Ireland, presentation by Fr. Vincent Lampert and Q & A. Visit FatimaFWSB.org.



SCAN ME

CHRIST RENEWS HIS PARISH WOMEN'S RETREAT

Women of the Parish: Are you looking for a way to revitalize your faith? Join us for a weekend of spiritual growth and faith-filled fellowship. The Christ Renews His Parish weekend offers you a unique opportunity to escape all distractions and focus solely on Christ. It will leave you feeling refreshed, renewed and completely aware of God working in your life. Sign up for the woman's retreat, **March 19-20**, and join other women of our parish in developing a deeper personal relationship with Christ.

Register online at www.saintv.org/christ-renews or contact Maddie at 260-443-8782 or Hunnicuttb@gmail.com.

CHRIST RENEWS HIS PARISH

Didn't Join Team After Your Weekend?

If you attended a Christ Renews His Parish weekend at St. Vincent's but did not join Team, come to the next Evening of Discipleship or contact the next Co-Spiritual Director:

Evening of Discipleship - 6:30 pm | Spiritual Center

Men: Sunday, March 13 | Szebo Szczepkowski: deanss1987@gmail.com or (260) 579-2662

Women: Sunday, March 27 | Amy Johnson: amyjohnson@saintv.org or 260-615-7638

CATHOLIC MEDICAL GUILD LENTEN RETREAT

The Catholic Medical Guild invites interested healthcare workers to a 1-day Lenten Retreat on **Saturday, March 26**. Retreat begins with 8:15 am Mass in the church and continues in the Life Center with breakfast, talks, lunch, Eucharistic Adoration and prayer. Cost is \$10 (students are free). RSVP at fortwayne.cathmed.org. Call 260-222-6978 for more information.

THANK YOU

We want to thank everyone for all their prayers and beautiful cards for our son, Michael.

Dana & Alice Achor

REDEEMER RADIO SHARATHON

St. Vincent DePaul Parish will be on the Redeemer Radio Spring Sharathon on **Tuesday, March 15**, from **12:00 - 1:00 pm**. Pray, pledge, and listen to 106.3FM. Help Redeemer Radio in their mission to share Christ! Go to Redeemerradio.com/Sharathon for more information.



Diocesan directives instruct that we should stay home (with Mass obligation lifted) if feeling unwell: *"Anyone (whether vaccinated or not) with a cough or fever, or who may otherwise be feeling sick, should still remain home."*

The 9 AM Sunday Mass will continue to be streamed on the parish website, on YouTube and on Facebook for those who cannot attend in person.

NAMI

The National Alliance on Mental Illness offers the Family-to-Family Education Program free of charge to participants, **beginning Monday, March 14**, from 7:30 - 9:30 pm and ending Monday, May 2. For more information or to register, please contact NAMI Fort Wayne at 260-447-8990 or office@namifortwayne.org.

ONLINE SAFETY

If you receive a text or email that seems unusual and appears to be from one of our priests, please contact the Church Office (260-489-3537 ext. 3). Do not call a number that is unfamiliar to you, do not reply to the email or text and do not click on an attachment or website link unless you are familiar with the contents. Our priests will NOT ask for gift cards or cash! They will refer those in need to our St. Vincent de Paul Society.

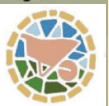
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Ladies, you were made for Peace & Joy!

JOIN US FOR OUR MARCH GATHERINGS!

Look Up!



Ladies, God designed you in His image; you are carved upon the Palm of His Hand. Join us at a KB Gathering this Lent to simply *receive*. Come and feel the warmth of His gaze and fullness of His embrace, as you *look up* at the Face of Love.

ALL WOMEN ARE WELCOME AT ANY HOST PARISH LOCATION!

Laughter, Learning, and Love of the Father await you!

St. Vincent's, FW	7-8:30PM	Thurs	March 10
St. Mary's, Decatur	7-8:30PM	Wed	March 9

CHARISM MEETINGS

Talk with others who share your charism, discuss your experiences and learn about opportunities for your charism coming up at St. Vincent's.

Evangelism: Monday, March 21 | 7PM | Parish Library

Hospitality: Wednesday, March 23 | 7PM | Life Center

Encouragement:

Tuesday, March 29 | 7PM | Parish Library

DON'T KNOW? Every baptized person has charisms, come discern yours! Called & Gifted Workshop is **Saturday, March 19**. Register at saintv.org/called-gifted.

40 DAYS FOR LIFE

Thru April 10

HELP SAVE LIVES IN NORTHEAST INDIANA!

Vigil location: Public right-of-way - Planned Parenthood (2930 Lake Ave)

Vigil hours: 8:00 am - 8:00 pm daily

Local contact: Annemarie (260-797-3144 or annemariedeville@gmail.com)

40daysforlife.com/fortwayne

THE SPRING BANQUET

The Right to Life of Northeast Indiana will host its first ever Spring Banquet! Keynote speaker is Superbowl champion and pro-life advocate Matt Birk. Join us on **Thursday, March 17**, at The Abby at Kruse Plaza (5634 Opportunity Blvd, Auburn, IN). Doors open to the general public at 5:30 pm, dinner is at 6:30 pm. Visit www.ichooselife.org/springbanquet or call 260-471-1849 for more details.

St. Vincent Scouts 45th Annual Fish Dinner FRY

March 11 & March 25 & April 1
Parish Hall * 5-8 PM

Our Famous Fried Fish, Mac & Cheese, Coleslaw, Potato, Roll, & Dessert

\$13 | Dine-in or Takeout!

Presale Tickets available at the Church Office: **\$12**



OUR LADY OF GOOD HOPE LENTEN FISH FRY

Lenten Fish Fry at Our Lady of Good Hope on Friday, March 11, 4:30 - 7:30 pm. \$10, drive thru only.

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Do you ever wonder how you get involved in a ministry?
Do you find yourself realizing you have time to give to others but aren't sure where to fit in?
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Are you reconsidering where you are best suited to offer love and grace to others?

If you answered "Yes" to any of these questions then plan to attend the next

Called & Gifted Workshop

Saturday, March 19 | 9 AM – 4 PM

By attending, you will learn much about your spiritual giftedness, and how God has best equipped you to fulfill His mission to love others. Please contact the Church Office today to register - 260-489-3537 ext. 3 or visit the parish website at saintv.org/called-gifted.

THE MELCHIZEDEK PROJECT



Fr. Michael Ammer and Fr. Daniel

Koehl host a group to assist men (ages 16-25) in discerning a vocation to the priesthood every other Thursday (next meeting **Thursday, March 10**, 6:30 pm) at St. Charles Borromeo. Visit <https://forms.gle/JPtYug3sYXLDQWgCA> for online sign-up form. Email fatherkoehl@scbfw.org or mammer@stjudefw.org for more information and schedule (minors will need to "cc" a parent's/guardian's email address as well).

GIVING TREE FOR SEMINARIANS AND RELIGIOUS!

If you are able, please take one of the tags on the Giving Tree in the Gathering Space, purchase the gift card that is indicated on the tag and return the gift card **by Tuesday, March 15**. Thank you in advance to all who select items from the Giving Tree for our seminarians and religious.

PROJECT 216 - HELP FEED THE HUNGRY!

Help us feed the hungry as we partner with Project 216 to package dry meal kits to feed the hungry. The entire St. Vincent Parish is invited to participate! In 2 hours, with 150 volunteers we hope to package the food in an assembly-line format to prepare over 20,000 meals!

When: **Sunday, March 27 | 1 - 3 PM**

Where: Parish Hall (school entrance #9)

Who: YOU, if you are 6 years old or older

Bring: A free will donation: \$10 per person or more would help us meet our goal. How can you help to feed the poor?

How: To participate you must sign up online at www.project-216.org/events/. First come, first get to volunteer. Limit of approximately 150 people.

For more information and to help with setting up, contact Vicki at welchhouse5@gmail.com.

"For I was hungry and you gave me food, I was thirsty and you gave me drink, I was a stranger and you welcomed me."

Matthew 25:35

EXAMEN PRAYER

The examen prayer is a beautiful practice of prayer popularized by St. Ignatius of Loyola that helps us see the ways that God is moving in our daily lives. Take a few minutes of undistracted quiet in the mid-day or evening for prayer. By regularly reflecting on our day with God's help, we commit ourselves to grow in virtue and in our relationships with God and one another.

Begin by quieting your mind and heart to be more aware of the presence of God, who is always with you. Ask God to give you the grace to see clearly the events of your day through His eyes, to experience the love He unconditionally offers you, and to listen to the guidance He shares with you.

BE THANKFUL

"Give thanks to God our Lord for the benefits received" (St. Ignatius). God loves you, and shows His love through the blessings He gives us. The good things in our life are signs and reminders that God "came so that [we] might have life and have it more abundantly" (John 10:10). Our blessings can be big or small: The recovery of a sick loved one; the kind act of a stranger; or the beauty of nature, etc.

• *Thinking about your day, what blessings have you received today?*

What good things have you experienced?

• *Bring to mind the many good moments from your day.*

• *Pause and give thanks to God for these blessings.*

ACKNOWLEDGE NEED FOR HELP

"Ask Grace to know our sins and cast them out" (St. Ignatius).

Recognizing our blessings, we also acknowledge that we struggle and need help. Often we experience brokenness and pain. Brokenness in the world, brokenness in our relationships, and brokenness within ourselves. That brokenness, which is not a part of God's plan, is a result of those times when we as individuals and we as humanity have chosen to turn away from God's love. Acknowledging this brokenness and need for help can be scary but is an important step in allowing us to move through it, for God wants to create a "clean heart" for us (Psalm 51:12).

• *Ask God to give you the grace and courage to face this brokenness, both in the world and within yourself, so that you can heal and grow.*

REVIEW LIFE HONESTLY

"Ask account of our soul from the hour that we rose up to the present" (St. Ignatius). In conversation with God pray, Lord, "you know me: you know when I sit and stand; you understand my thoughts from afar" (Psalm 139:1-3) and ask God to help you review the events of your day. As you mentally walk through the day, different moments may surface. Honestly examine each of these moments throughout your day. You may remember moments of joy-be grateful for them again. You may find moments where you recognize God's presence only in hindsight-desire to see more clearly. You may realize something good hidden in a difficult situation-trust in God's goodness even during times of struggle. And you may find moments where you turned away from God's love, where you experienced and chose to continue that brokenness-take responsibility for those times and for your role in that.

• *Review your morning, afternoon, and evening.*

• *As you remember each moment, ask God: Where were you in that moment? What were you asking of me? How did I respond?*

• *Pause to listen to God's response to these questions.*

TRUST IN GOD'S FORGIVENESS

"Ask pardon of God our Lord for the faults" (St. Ignatius). As the review of your day reveals times you may have turned away from God's love, let your heart be filled with sorrow and even more of the desire to restore your relationship with God. Like the father of the lost son, God's never-ending love reaches out to welcome us when we turn back toward Him. No matter how you might have turned away, God wants to forgive you. Never let sorrow control you or lead you to doubt the strength of God's love for you, for "neither death, nor life... will be able to separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord" (Romans 8:38-39).

• *Ask God to forgive you.*

• *Trust that He does forgive you.*

• *Accept God's mercy.*

COMMIT TO LIVE DIFFERENTLY

"To purpose amendment with His grace" (St. Ignatius). Renewed, turn your thoughts to the coming day with the clarity of this prayer experience so that "you will know the truth, and the truth will set you free" (John 8:32).

• *What lessons from this prayer can you carry into tomorrow?*

• *What concrete actions can you take to grow closer to God and others?*

• *Commit to live these actions, asking for God's help to do so.*

Close your examen with an Our Father, the prayer that Jesus taught us to say with confidence.

AN EXAMINATION OF CONSCIENCE

Based on the Ten Commandments

I am the Lord your God: you shall not have strange Gods before me.

Have I treated people, events, or things as more important than God?

You shall not take the name of the Lord your God in vain.

Have my words, actively or passively, put down God, the Church, or people?

Remember to keep holy the Lord's Day.

Do I go to Mass every Sunday (or Saturday Vigil) and on Holy Days of Obligation? Do I avoid, when possible, work that impedes worship to God, joy for the Lord's Day, and proper relaxation of mind and body? Do I look for ways to spend time with family or in service on Sunday?

Honor your father and your mother.

Do I show my parents due respect? Do I seek to maintain good communication with my parents where possible? Do I criticize them for lacking skills I think they should have?

You shall not kill.

Have I harmed another through physical, verbal, or emotional means, including gossip or manipulation of any kind?

You shall not commit adultery.

Have I respected the physical and sexual dignity of others and of myself?

You shall not steal.

Have I taken or wasted time or resources that belonged to another?

You shall not bear false witness against your neighbor.

Have I gossiped, told lies, or embellished stories at the expense of another?

You shall not covet your neighbor's spouse.

Have I honored my spouse with my full affection and exclusive love?

You shall not covet your neighbor's goods.

Am I content with my own means and needs, or do I compare myself to others unnecessarily?

MAKING YOUR CONFESSION

Greeting: The priest will welcome you; he may say a short blessing or read a Scripture passage.

Sign of the Cross: Together, you and the priest will make the Sign of the Cross. You may then begin your confession with these or similar words: **"Bless me, Father, for I have sinned. It has been (give days, months, or years) since my last confession."**

Confession: Confess all your sins to the priest. If you are unsure what to say, ask the priest for help. When you are finished, conclude with these or similar words: **"I am sorry for these and all my sins."**

Penance: The priest will propose an act of penance. The penance might be prayer, a work of mercy, or an act of charity. He might also counsel you on how to better live a Christian life.

Act of Contrition: Say an Act of Contrition, expressing sorrow for your sins and resolving to leave sin behind and live in the light!

O my God, I am heartily sorry for having offended you, and I detest all of my sins, because I dread the loss of heaven and the pains of hell; but most of all because they offend you, my God, who are all-good and deserving of all my love. I firmly resolve, with the help of your grace, to confess my sins, to do penance, and to amend my life. Amen.

Absolution: The priest then blesses you in the person of Christ as he says the prayer of Absolution which frees you from your sins.

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Send items to bulletin@saintv.org by Monday at 9 AM

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Baptismal catechesis is required prior to baptism.

Please call the Church Office (260-489-3537 ext. 3).

Matrimony: Arrangements must be made at least six months in advance of date of wedding.

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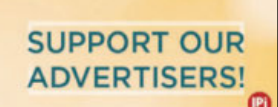
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