SAINT VINCENT DE PAUL CATHOLIC PARISH

If you take a bulletin into church, please take it home with you or throw it in a trash container in the Gathering Space.

THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT — MARCH 20, 2022

Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick

Sunday, March 27
1:30 PM Mass

If you will be having surgery, have a grave or terminal illness or are elderly and would like to be anointed, please sign in (in the Gathering Space) before the 1:30 PM Mass on **Sunday, March 27**.

ST. JUDE PARISH PENANCE SERVICE
MONDAY, MARCH 28 | 6:30 PM

ST. JOHN (NEW HAVEN) CONFESSIONS
MONDAY, MARCH 28 | 6:30 PM

Guest Speaker Msgr. Shea

MARCH 31, 2022, 6:30 PM
in the church

Monsignor James 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 this compelling message about how the Church is entering a new era in her history!

Catholic Charities
Diocese of Fort Wayne-South Bend

STUFF THE TRUCK

On March 26 and 27 before and after all the masses, Catholic Charities will be collecting items for refugee families. Under the Refugee Resettlement and Placement program of the USCCB, Catholic Charities has been helping war-torn families rebuild their life since 1975.

HYGIENE
Toothpaste, toothbrush, soap, floss, shampoo, conditioner, toilet paper, feminine hygiene, etc.

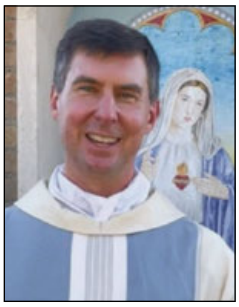
CLEANING
Mop, broom, hand soap. trash cans, detergent, cleaner, paper towels, buckets, etc.

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

OTHER
Rice cooker, tea kettle, microwave, silverware, cups, plates, backpack, board books, etc.

LEARN MORE AT WWW.CCFWSB.ORG

From Our Pastor



On this third Sunday of Lent, we are invited into the conversation Jesus has with the Samaritan woman at the well. In asking this "person with a past" for a simple gesture of charity (some water to drink), the Lord reveals His thirst to share His truth and His mercy for her life. God actually thirsts for us to receive the truth that will make us free!

If you have not yet received the Sacrament of Reconciliation during Lent, our St. Vincent's Lenten Evening of Confessions is this Wednesday, March 23, at 6:30PM in church (no 4:30PM Confessions that day). There will be plenty of Priests to administer the same liberating, restorative mercy the Lord extended to the Samaritan woman to make her a witness to Divine love.

This Friday is the Solemnity of the Annunciation of the Lord to the Blessed Virgin Mary. Although it is not a holy day of obligation, it is a day in which the Church asks us to celebrate with great joy—a little oasis from our Lenten sacrifices in the desert journey of the Forty Days to our Redeemer's Passion, Death, and Resurrection. Enjoy meats and sweets this Friday to give glory and honor to our Savior's conception and Mary's yes to the Lord's plan for our salvation!

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

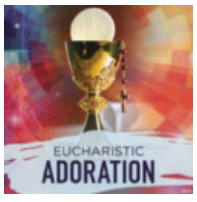
Adorers Needed:

We are in need of committed adorers:

Thursdays: 4 PM & 6 PM
Fridays: 1 PM
Saturdays: 1 AM & 6 PM

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).

Catholic Relief Services Collection

HELP Jesus IN DISGUISE

Many of you have asked how to provide relief assistance to the people of Ukraine. This is your chance! Next week is the annual collection for Catholic Relief Services (CRS). CRS is taking a leading role in providing assistance to Ukrainian refugees and others suffering from the effects of the war. Please use the envelope in your packet or give through your Online Giving account to help those most in need - "Jesus in disguise."

The section in the Church previously roped off for social distancing has returned to normal. If you have health concerns, you are encouraged to attend those Masses with fewer parishioners attending (5PM on Saturday, and 7AM and 5PM on Sunday).

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.

Mass Intentions

MONDAY, MARCH 21
6:30 AM SC † FRANCES WALTERS
8:15 AM (S) Ch † PAUL, DOROTHY & MARTHA POST

TUESDAY, MARCH 22
6:30 AM SC † NOEL BERSCH
8:15 AM (S) Ch † DEC'D MEMBERS OF GRAY FAMILY

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 23 [St. Turibius of Mogrovejo, Bishop]
6:30 AM SC † MICHAEL E. KELKER
8:15 AM (S) Ch † DEBBIE FOURNIER

THURSDAY, MARCH 24 [St. Oscar Romero, Bishop & Martyr]
6:30 AM SC † DOROTHY HEINY
8:15 AM (S) Ch † GERALDINE M. KUNBERGER

FRIDAY, MARCH 25 [Solemnity of The Annunciation of the Lord]
(i) 8:15 AM (S) Ch † CHARLENE HARTMAN [SCHM]
5:30 PM **CH** † JEAN SPADAFORA

SATURDAY, MARCH 26
8:15 AM (S) Ch † PAT SAMUELS
5:00 PM Ch † RITA & DELBERT MINNICK

SUNDAY, MARCH 27 **[Fourth Sunday of Lent]** **[Laetare Sunday]**
7:00 AM Ch † KATHY JARBOE
9:00 AM (S) Ch † WALT VEERKAMP
11:00 AM Ch † PEGGY BOWLES
1:30 PM Ch † GRACE GAGE [S M]
5:00 PM Ch INT FOR THE PARISH

Ch: Church | SC: Spiritual Center Chapel
(S): streamed | [SCHM]: All School Mass |
[S M]: SENSORY MASS | (i): Incense may be used
***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
WEDNESDAY, MARCH 23
4:30 - 5:30 PM **NO CONFESSIONS** *due to SV Evening of Confessions*
6:30 PM **SV Evening of Confessions** (p 10-12)
SATURDAY, MARCH 26
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

STUDY | WATCH | LISTEN | READ | SEARCH
Series, Movies, Audios & Books for adults AND children
Explore these Catholic materials from Augustine Institute.
FORMED.ORG

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 21
12:00 pm Harvest House Adoration Hour [*Oratory*]
1:00 pm Harvest House Meeting [*SC Room A*]
6:15 pm AHG Troop Meeting [*Parish Hall*]
7:00 pm Ignatius RDL [*SC Room C (#3)*]
7:00 pm Charism of Evangelization [*Parish Library*]

Tuesday, March 22
8:30 am SVDP Society Carpenter's sons [*LC Cafe*]
9:00 am Two by Two Bible Study [*LC Red Conference Rm*]
1:00 pm Prayer Shawl [*Parish Library*]
4:30 pm Shepherds of Christ [*Blessed Sacrament Chapel*]
6:30 pm Revelation Bible Study [*LC Red Conf. Rm*]
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 23
9:00 am Revelation Bible Study [*Parish Library*]
4:30 pm NO Confessions
6:00 pm Sacramental Arts [*LC Red Conference Room*]
6:30 pm **SV Lenten Evening of Confessions** [*Church*]
7:00 pm Charism of Hospitality [*LC Fireplace Room*]

Thursday, March 24
8:00 am Coffee and Convos [*LC Cafe*]
9:00 am Homeschool Annunciation Baby Shower for WCC [*Life Center*]
9:00 am WINGS II [*SC Room A*]
6:30 pm Bereavement Support [*Parish Library*]
7:00 pm Choir Rehearsal [*Church*]
7:00 pm Writer's Group [*LC Red Conference Room*]
8:00 pm Al Anon [*SC Room G (#4)*]

Friday, March 25 [Annunciation of the Lord]
5:00 pm Scouts Fish Fry [*Parish Hall*]
5:30 pm Mass [*Church*]
6:30 pm Stations of the Cross [*Church*]
6:30 pm ADOPT [*Life Center*]

Saturday, March 26
7:45 am First Communion Retreat [*School*]
8:45 am Confessions [*Church alcoves & Confessionals*]
9:00 am Medical Guild Lenten Retreat [*Life Center*]
9:00 am Overeaters Anonymous [*SC Room C (#3)*]
9:30 am St. Augustine Men's Group [*LC Red Conf Room*]
11:00 am Safe Harbor [*SC Room A*]
"Stuff the Truck for Refugees" Collection before and after 5PM Mass

Sunday, March 27 [Fourth Sunday of Lent]
"Stuff the Truck for Refugees" Collection
9:00 am Mass (Second Scrutiny) [*Church*]
1:00 pm Project 216 [*Parish Hall*]
1:30 pm **Anointing of the Sick** during Mass [*Church*]
7:00 pm Women's AA [*SC Room C (#3)*]

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

USE OF INCENSE
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.

Middle School Ministry

Edge ** Middle School Ministry
SaintV.org/middleschool
MiddleSchoolMinistry@saintv.org

Next in Edge: Sent

Join us for the second of two guys/girls nights as we explore how to be holy and live out our identities as men and women everyday - in our family, friends, social media, faith, mission and more!

Edge Guys Retreat: Journey

Embark with us on a journey to Christ at this action packed retreat day on **Saturday, April 23**. The retreat will take place at St. Vincent's and will include adventure, feats of strength, daring challenges, fire, brotherhood, a deeper relationship with Jesus and understanding of your mission, and more! Register online at Saintv.org/edge.

Coming up in Edge:

March 21	Edge night: Guys and Girls Series: Sent
March 28	NO EDGE (Confirmation interviews)
Next Edge:	April 18

Collection for Mission in Kentucky

The St. Joseph Hessen Cassel Council of the Knights of Columbus will be loading their truck again for St. Paul Catholic Mission (serving people in Jackson County, Kentucky, and surrounding areas). Donations will be accepted **through Wednesday, March 23** (there is a need for household and kitchen items, clothing, furniture, household items and monetary donations). Please call LeeAnn at 260-602-6499 or lsolosky@grandwayne.com to schedule a pick-up time for your items. God bless you!

High School Ministry

SaintV.org/highschool
YM@saintv.org

Sunday, March 20: Small Group Community Night
[6 - 8 pm | Life Center]
Bring a friend and enjoy Taco Bell! Spend most of the time in small groups. There will be opportunities to spend time in discussion, silent prayer, praying with others, and praise & worship. Reconciliation for teens will be in the church starting at 7 pm.

Wednesday, March 23 LENTEN BREAKFAST
[7:00 - 7:30 am | Life Center]
Have breakfast with friends after the 6:30 am Mass.

Wednesday, March 23 HS Girls Bible Study
[6:30 - 7:30 pm | Spiritual Center Room D - Door #4]

Wednesday, March 23: HS Boys Bible Study
[6:30 - 7:30 pm | Spiritual Center Room C - Door #3]

Sunday, March 27: Small Group Community Night
[6 - 8 pm | Life Center]
Bring a friend and listen to a testimony from a former LifeTeen Alum. There will be opportunities to spend time with your small groups. Spend time with the Lord in silent prayer or with others.

REGISTER NOW for the
HIGH SCHOOL SPRING RETREAT
"Glory Revealed"
April 22-24 at the St. Felix Center in Huntington IN.
It will be led by **Life Teen Missionaries** from Georgia!
Register online at www.saintv.org/highschool

FOLLOW US STAY CONNECTED
SAINTV.ORG/HIGHSCHOOL | STVINCENTS_YM | @STVINCENTDEPAULHIGHSCHOOLMINISTRY

Family Faith Formation News

Save the Date for Catholic Kidz Camp!

Children ages 4 through grade 5 come join the fun at Catholic Kidz Camp scheduled for **June 6 - 10** from 9 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.

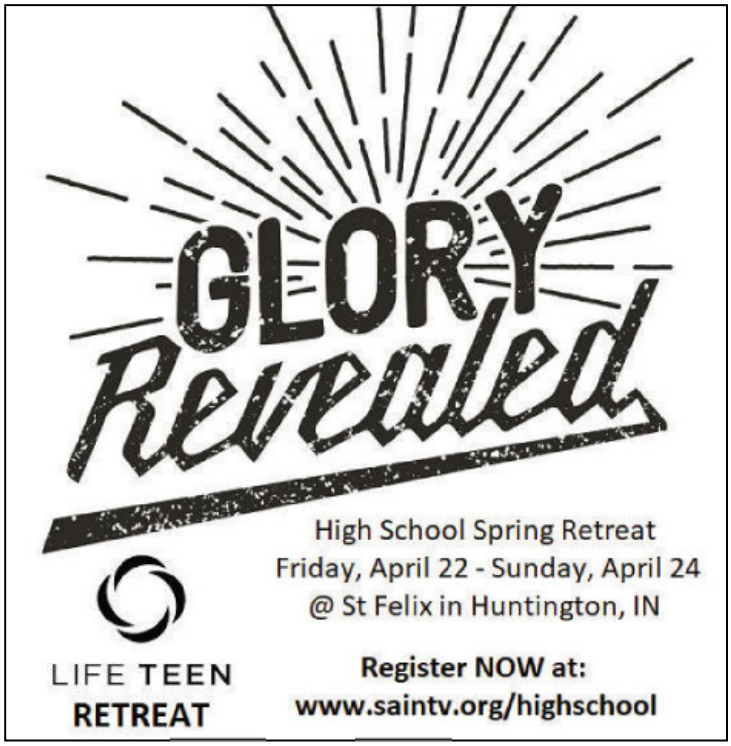
IMPORTANT DATES:

Families Living Faith Sessions: Grades 1 - 6
- No April Sessions

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 - 7 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)*



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*):
April 6 (Wednesday) (Spiritual Center A–Door #2)

Session II (*Baptismal Rite*):
April 19 (Tuesday) (Church Conference Room)

School News

Fellow Parishioners, 03/20/22

Greetings in Christ! We continue to reflect on our school, as part of our parish, enacting the Lord's desire for our community to be a conduit of His grace. Here are some highlights from this week:

Sometimes, this presence of His grace is more obvious/direct in how it unfolds. One way was an "art walk" some of our Board members engaged in with Fr. Dan and myself this past week. Our strategic plan calls for us to develop meaningful, engaging art in the school, helping to tell a meaningful story and inspire further discipleship. In addition to this, I thank Mrs. Zedaker who has for some time developed a plan to enhance the colors and vibrancy of our interior, showing a much more child-friendly layout. In this walk, Father Dan led us to reflect on various enhancements we might make, including a focus on the mysteries of the rosary, on salvation history, on St. Vincent's history, and on church history, while maintaining ample space for student artwork. This will certainly take time to implement, but the overall mission/goal in this is a beautiful sign of the Lord at work with us!

In another more direct way, our Board has a subcommittee on Catholic Identity, and they have explored many topics recently (including the art walk above). One other was a desire to more fully engage our parents in the effort to increase further discipleship for everyone in our community. Discussions included adding formation/fellowship nights, which would utilize our amazing parish staff to help us have further formation opportunities, along with parent support in planning fun and meaningful fellowship to follow. We've reviewed starting with a pilot grade and asking families to attend one of four such evenings in the year. Expanding on this, we took time to learn from Mrs. Blackburn, who walked us through with much greater depth the incredibly purposeful and meaningful planning in our Family Faith Formation programs, which can only enhance this effort. I thank our subcommittee and Mrs. Blackburn for their abundant support!

In another lens, very much a witness to Christ's grace, three of our teachers collaborated this past week to offer meaningful professional development on engagement for their colleagues. We have so many experts on our teaching staff already, and I commend our entire faculty for wanting to grow in this topic. Highly engaged students are ones who learn, not only growing in academic pursuits but in our faith as well. As our three teachers worked on this, they lovingly gave abundant hours in providing truly effective ways we can all enhance engaging instruction for our children. Their support in this was phenomenal!

Sometimes, the Lord's grace is a bit more obvious and other times, we find this more in how we approach the events of our lives. Either way, we'll often find ourselves blind to this grace if we don't pause and reflect on it. This week, as we seek to deepen our Lenten journey, let's do exactly this – pause and reflect. Maybe God is more abundantly present in our life than we realized!

In Faith,
Mr. Coyle, Principal

St. Vincent de Paul Society

One Church—One Family

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

Pancake mix & syrup
Microwave popcorn
Non-refrigerated milk
Ramen noodles
Laundry detergent

We appreciate your continued generosity!

We are in need of prizes for our monthly bingo at Kingston Healthcare. The residents enjoy used jewelry, stuffed animals, candy bars and snack bags, toiletries like lotion, body wash etc.

Coming Soon at St. Vincent's:

March:

23	SV Evening of Confessions [6:30PM]
25	Mass [5:30PM in church] | Stations of the Cross [6:30PM] | NO 5:30PM Mass in Oratory
26/27	Catholic Charities Stuff the Truck
27	Anointing of the Sick at 1:30 PM Mass | Project 216 Lenten Service Project [1PM]
31	Speaker: Msgr. James 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]
April 23	Guys' Edge Retreat
April 24	**First Communions** [1PM Mass only] | **Chaplet of Divine Mercy** [Oratory]
April 30	**Confirmation** [10AM]
May 3	**Mass for Those Affected by Cancer** 6PM
May 7/8	**First Communions** [1PM & Mass choice]

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

Project 216 - Lenten Service Project Meal Packing Event

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 at least 23,000 meals to feed children at Children's Lifeline in Haiti (childrenslifeline.com)! Visit project-216.org/ to learn more about Project 216!

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

ADOPT

Are you a parent through adoption? Interested in adopting? Curious about where to begin? Our group is here for you! The St. Vincent's A.D.O.P.T. group will meet on **Friday, March 25**, for food and fellowship at 6:30 pm in the Life Center. Our main discussion topic will be Adoption and Families, using questions from *Raising Adopted Children* by Lois Ruskai Melina (you do not need to have read the book before the meeting). Please RSVP to Jennifer (jenniferenewton@gmail.com or 260-489-2330). Children are welcome! Hope to see you there!

5:30 PM Friday Oratory Masses

There will be NO 5:30 pm Mass in the Oratory during Lent (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.

Perpetual Adoration at St. Vincent's

The Oratory of St. Mary Magdalene will **NOT** be open for prayer on Good Friday and Holy Saturday. Due to the Triduum, the Blessed Sacrament will be removed at 5:00 am on Good Friday, April 15. Exposition in the Oratory will resume at 2:00 pm on Easter Sunday, April 17.

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.

Harvest House

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On **Monday, March 21**, Harvest House will meet for a Holy Hour in the Oratory of St. Mary Magdalene at noon. Afterward, we will meet in the Spiritual Center for games and cards (Room A). Bring a snack to share. Hope to see you then.

Bags of Blessings

WINGS (Women in God's Service) is asking for donations of any unused toiletry items from your travels for Bags of Blessings. Members of WINGS will be assembling bags for the needy in mid-April. Donations of toothbrushes, toothpaste, deodorant, and new, unused cosmetic bags or personal care products are welcome and appreciated. Please put your donations in the labeled donation box in the west entryway of Church (near the restrooms).

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
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.

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

The St. Vincent de Paul
Bereavement Support Group
will meet on Thursday evenings this Spring through April 28
from 6:30 - 8:30 pm
Parish Library (Gathering Space)
It is our hope to provide a comforting atmosphere in which to offer emotional support. Your loss need not be recent for the sessions to be helpful.
Please contact Jill
(260-437-6752 or houlio2b@gmail.com).

Seder Meal

St. Vincent's Seder Meal is on **Wednesday, April 13**. For more information, including registration, visit SaintV.org/Seder or contact Dorothy at dschuerman@saintv.org.

Tenebrae

Please plan to join us for a musical meditation on the seven "last words" of Christ on the cross on Good **Friday, April 15**, at 9:00 pm in the Church

Chrism Mass

The annual Chrism Mass will be held at the Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception on **Monday, April 11**, at 7:00 pm. Bishop Kevin C. Rhoades has invited all priests, sisters, brothers, deacons and lay people of the diocese to attend. An interpreter will be present for those who are hearing impaired or deaf. This beautiful Mass manifests the communion of the priests with their bishop in the same priesthood and ministry of Christ.

Liturgical Living at St. Vincent's

St. Vincent Parish is composing a book on living the liturgical year in the home. To help us out, we'd love to hear your own traditions! Submit your answer(s) by **Good Friday, April 15**, at SaintV.org/LiturgicalLiving.

St. Vincent School Board

St. Vincent de Paul Catholic School is currently accepting applications for new School Board members. This is an advisory board that supports St. Vincent's School Administration. If you are interested, please fill out the form at https://www.school.saintv.org/school-board-application. The application deadline is **Friday, April 15**.

We are seeking Sponsors for CELEBRATE! 2022 ~ Together Again!

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

Easter Flowers

Once again we are offering you the opportunity to donate Easter flowers in memory of a loved one (who will be remembered at our Easter Masses). The suggested donation is $10 a plant. Place the donation in an envelope along with this form:
(Please print clearly)

Name(s) of Loved One(s): _____

_____

_____

Your Name: _____

Your Phone Number: _____ Donation: $_____

Safe Harbor

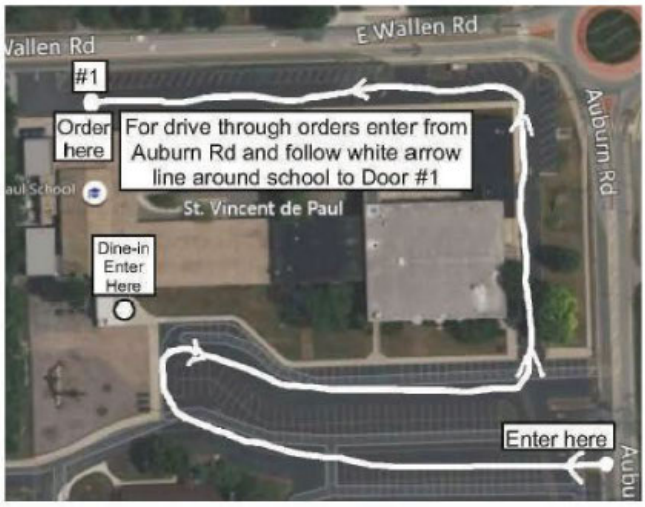
Safe Harbor will meet on **Saturday, March 26**, at 11:00 am in the Spiritual Center. Members of the SVDP Society *Carpenter's sons* will be with us! They will offer advice about maintenance issues in our homes and assist us in resolving them.

Divine Mercy Sunday

On Divine Mercy **Sunday, April 24**, we invite you for The Divine Mercy Chaplet beginning at 3:00 pm in the Oratory of St. Mary Magdalene. Please join us for this special devotion to our Lord's Divine Mercy.

St. Vincent Scouts 45th Annual Fish Dinner

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***



Where Does God Want You?

A Vocation House may help you find the answer. The hustle of today's world makes it almost impossible to clearly hear God's voice. Our Vocation Houses are a place where your relationship with God, encouraged by a supportive community, can grow and bear fruit. We aim to help you discern how God wants you to spend your life, including religious life, married life, and single life. Set aside time to find out where the Lord is guiding you. Visit vocationdiscernmenthouse.com.

Need Housing?

The Confraternity of Penitents is offering free housing in a vocation discernment house (Fort Wayne) in exchange for 10 hours a week volunteer work in groundskeeping and light maintenance. Flexible hours. Immediate opening. Visit VocationDiscernmentHouse.com or call 260-739-6882 for more information.

Catholic Charities Mission:

Our mission is to serve all those in need as Christ would have us do. No matter your race, ethnicity, religion, gender, or affiliations, we help everyone. Not because they are Catholic, but because we are.

A Legacy of Hope

Catholic Charities is hosting a 100th Anniversary Gala, A Legacy of Hope: A Century of Helping All in Need from 1922 to 2022 on **Thursday, April 21,** at the Fort Wayne Country Club. All are invited to join in the celebration of their 100th Anniversary! More information at https://www.ccfwsb.org/gala.

Child Abuse Awareness Month

Did you know, at least 1 in 7 children have experienced child abuse and/or neglect in the past year, and this is likely underestimated? Learn the facts and how this issue affects our community at https://www.cdc.gov/violenceprevention/childabuseandneglect/fastfact.html.

National Volunteer Month

Catholic Charities thrives due to the time our volunteers can donate. Our three offices offer many ways to get involved. Visit https://www.ccfwsb.org/volunteer.

Theology on Tap

Young people from across Fort Wayne are invited to come together to dive deeply into themes centered on the Eucharist and a call to action. The series, planned by a team of local young adults and entitled "Go Forth," offers a weekly talk by a local follower of faith and the opportunity to enjoy food, drink, and fellowship. Individuals of any faith are encouraged to attend sessions at USF Historic Woman's Club (402 W Wayne St). Visit diocesefwsb.org/tot-fw.

Transitions Needs Volunteers

Want to make a difference? Whether you're a nursing student, curious about hospice or enjoy giving back to the community, call Transitions to become a Patient Companion or Administrative Volunteer. In addition, we are searching for Veteran and Active Military Volunteers to serve our Veteran patients in hospice care. Vet-to-Vet sittings, memorials, pinning ceremonies, caregiver support and more. Serve those who served us! For more information, visit transitionshospice.com/volunteers/ or contact Bronze Bostick at bbostick@transitionshospice.com or 317-416-3191.

Summer Seminary Immersion Program

The Summer Seminary Immersion program is a two-week summer course for rising high school juniors and seniors seeking to better understand God's call (applicable for college credit from Notre Dame). Full scholarships are available (program and housing fees). June 25 - July 9. Apply at precollege.nd.edu/seminaryimmersion. For more information email vocations@holycrossusa.org or call 574-631-6385.

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)

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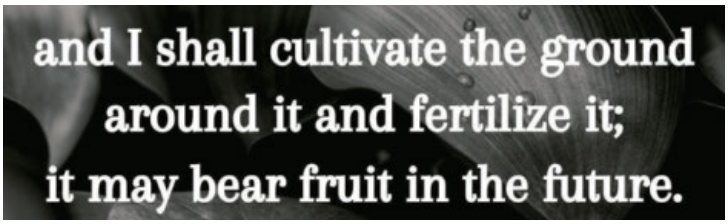


The Melchizedek Project

Fr. Michael Ammer and Fr. Daniel Koehl will host a group to assist men in discerning a vocation to the priesthood. Awesome food will be provided. This group will host men ages 16-25 every other Thursday. The March 24 meeting will be held at the St. Jude Parish office from 6:30 - 8:00 pm. Please sign up by calling Kris (kchurch@stjudefw.org or 260-484-6609) or visit www.stjudefw.org.

Totus Tuus Application Deadline Extended

Are you a college student or young adult looking to deepen your own spiritual life through serving young people? Join the 2022 Totus Tuus Summer Missionary Team, which is made up of four college-aged missionaries who receive training and travel to six parish sites for week-long summer formation programs with children and youth. Lodging and stipend provided. For more information and to apply **by March 31**, visit diocesefwsb.org/totus-tuus.

A Cappella Choir Home Tour Concert 2022

The Concordia Lutheran High School A Cappella Choir will be sharing their 2022 Home Tour Concert: *I Will Sing to the Lord as Long as I Live!* at Kramer Chapel (on the campus of Concordia Theological Seminary) on **Sunday, March 20**, at 7:00 pm. A free-will offering will be taken.

Annual Saints Open Golf Outing

Bishop Dwenger's Annual Saints Open Golf Outing is **Friday, June 3**, at Riverbend Golf Course. Put together a foursome, sponsor, donate a door prize, or all of the above! Visit bishopdwenger.com.

St. Charles Drive Thru Fish Fry

St. Charles Knights of Columbus are hosting a Drive Thru Fish Fry on **Friday, March 25**, 4:30 - 7:00 pm. Please use the entrance off of Trier Road (by the football field) and come to the cafeteria (Door #9). Cost is $12 per meal (fish, wedge potato, coleslaw, tartar sauce, applesauce and a roll). During the spring event, we ran out of fish at 6:40 pm, so come early! Only adult meals will be offered.

St. Patrick Church Arcola Fish Fry

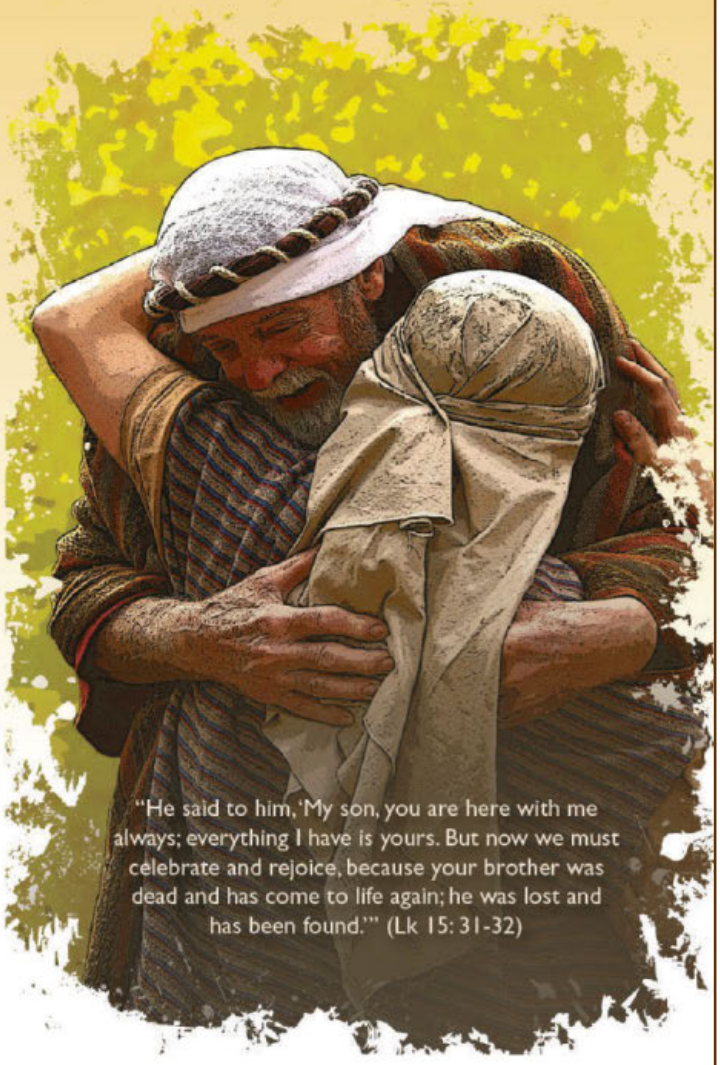
St. Patrick Church Arcola (12305 Arcola Rd, Fort Wayne) will have a Drive-thru ONLY Fish Fry on **Friday, March 25**, 4:00 - 7:00 pm. $15 All Fish or $13 Dinner.

Members of St. Vincent's Cub Scout and Boy Scout troops attended the 11:00 am Mass on Sunday, February 27. Medals were blessed and awarded after the Mass.

Andy Dailey, Fr. Jay and members of our Knights of Columbus prepared Mardi Gras dinner and members of Rekindle the Fire tended the fire to burn palms on Mardi Gras.

God's Gift of Forgiveness

A Pastoral Exhortation on the Sacrament of Penance and Reconciliation



"He said to him, 'My son, you are here with me always; everything I have is yours. But now we must celebrate and rejoice, because your brother was dead and has come to life again; he was lost and has been found.'" (Lk 15: 31-32)

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ:

"Peace be with you!" With these words, the Risen Lord greeted his frightened Apostles in the Upper Room on the day of his Resurrection. They were troubled, anxious, and fearful—much like each one of us at some point in our lives. Christ repeated the words, "Peace be with you." But then he added, "Receive the holy Spirit. Whose sins you forgive are forgiven them" (Jn 20:19-23).

What an extraordinary gift! The Risen Lord was proclaiming that all the suffering he had just endured was in order to make available the gifts of salvation and forgiveness. He wanted the Apostles to receive these gifts. He wanted them to become apostles of this forgiveness to others.

In the Sacrament of Penance and Reconciliation, also called confession, we meet the Lord, who wants to grant forgiveness and the grace to live a renewed life in him. In this sacrament, he prepares us to receive him free from serious sin, with a lively faith, earnest hope, and sacrificial love in the Eucharist. The Church sees confession as so important that she requires that every Catholic go at least once a year.[1] The Church also encourages frequent confession in order to grow closer to Christ Jesus and his Body, the Church. By the grace of the Holy Spirit, we seek forgiveness and repentance, let go of patterns of sin, grow in the life of virtue, and witness to a joyful conversion. Since the graces of the sacrament are so similar to the purpose of the New Evangelization, Pope Benedict XVI has said, "The New Evangelization . . . begins in the confessional!"[2]

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We bishops and priests are eager to help you if you experience difficulty, hesitation, or uncertainty about approaching the Lord in this sacrament. If you have not received this healing sacrament in a long time, we are ready to welcome you. We, whom Christ has ordained to minister this forgiveness in his name, are also approaching this sacrament, as both penitents and ministers, throughout our lives and at this special moment of grace during Lent. We want to offer ourselves to you as forgiven sinners seeking to serve in the Lord's name.

During Lent—in addition to the various penitential services during which individual confession takes place—we bishops and priests will be making ourselves available often for the individual celebration of this sacrament. We pray that through the work of the Holy Spirit, all Catholics—clergy and laity—will respond to the call of the New Evangelization to encounter Christ in the Sacrament of Penance and Reconciliation. Come to the Lord and experience the extraordinary grace of his forgiveness!

1 *Catechism of the Catholic Church*, nos. 1457-1458.

2 Pope Benedict XVI, Address to the Annual Course on the Internal Forum Organized by the Apostolic Penitentiary, *www.vatican.va/holy_father/benedict_xvi/speeches/2012/march/documents/hf_ben-xvi_spe_20120309_penitenzieria-apostolica_en.html.*

How to Go to Confession...

May the Passion of Our Lord Jesus Christ,
the intercession of the Blessed Virgin Mary and of all the saints,
whatever good you do and suffering you endure,
heal your sins,
help you grow in holiness,
and reward you with eternal life.
Go in peace.

–*Rite of Penance*, no. 93

1 PREPARATION: Before going to confession, take some time to prepare. Begin with prayer, and reflect on your life since your last confession. How have you—in your thoughts, words, and actions—neglected to live Christ's commands to "love the Lord, your God, with all your heart, with all your soul, and with all your mind," and to "love your neighbor as yourself" (Mt 22:37, 39)? As a help with this "examination of conscience," you might review the Ten Commandments or the Beatitudes (Ex 20:2-17; Dt 5:6-21; Mt 5:3-10; or Lk 6:20-26).

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

3 THE 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."

4 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."

5 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.

6 ACT OF CONTRITION: After the priest has conferred your penance, pray an Act of Contrition, expressing sorrow for your sins and resolving to sin no more. A suggested Act of Contrition is:

My God,
I am sorry for my sins with all my heart.
In choosing to do wrong
and failing to do good,
I have sinned against you
whom I should love above all things.
I firmly intend, with your help,
to do penance,
to sin no more,
and to avoid whatever leads me to sin.
Our Savior Jesus Christ
suffered and died for us.
In his name, my God, have mercy.

(*Rite of Penance*, no. 45)

7 ABSOLUTION: The priest will extend his hands over your head and pronounce the words of absolution. You respond, "Amen."

8 PRAISE: The priest will usually praise the mercy of God and will invite you to do the same. For example, the priest may say, "Give thanks to the Lord for he is good." And your response would be, "His mercy endures for ever" (*Rite of Penance*, no. 47).

9 DISMISSAL: The priest will conclude the sacrament, often saying, "Go in peace."

If it has been a while since your last confession, remember, "Do not fear" (Is 41:10). The priest will help guide you. And feel free to take this how-to guide with you! (For more information, visit *www.usccb.org/confession*.)

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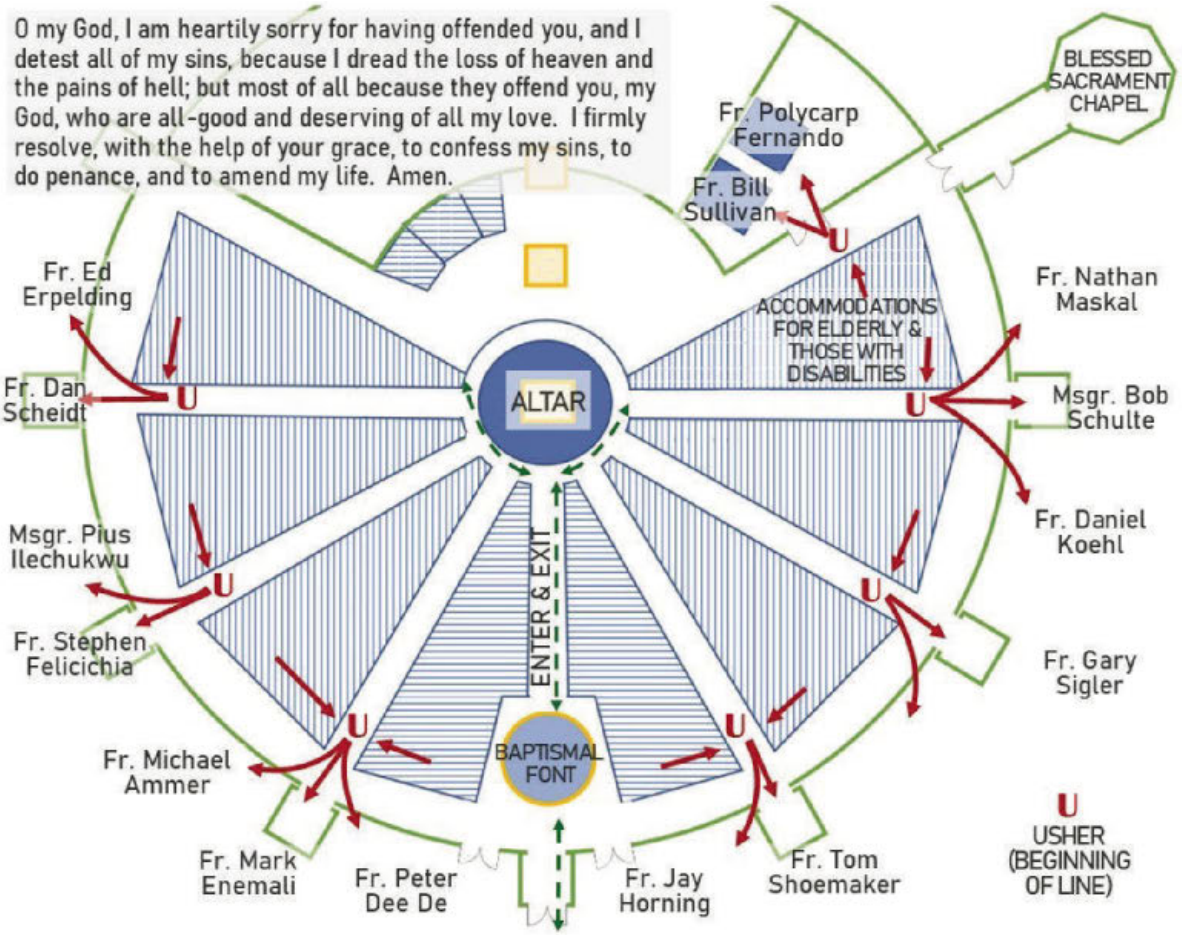
O my God, I am heartily sorry for having offended you, and I detest all of my sins, because I dread the loss of heaven and the pains of hell; but most of all because they offend you, my God, who are all-good and deserving of all my love. I firmly resolve, with the help of your grace, to confess my sins,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



An Examination of Conscience

—Do I pray daily to the Lord, who made me from dust and who died and rose to save me forever?

—Have I worshiped the Lord in the Celebration of the Eucharist every Sunday and Holy Day of Obligation, or have I missed Mass through my own fault, without serious reason?

—Have I received Holy Communion when in the state of serious sin? Have I failed to confess any serious sin, out of fear or embarrassment?

—Have I placed my love of God, and of what is good, in danger because of the friends I keep or the activities I engage in?

—If I have questions or difficulties with belief, have I been humble and bold enough to seek help from a wise and good believer?

—Do I curse with, or otherwise misuse, the sacred name of God and of the Lord Jesus Christ?

—Do I speak of holy things carelessly, irreverently, or with contempt?

—Have I given in to fear of telling the truth and—for lack of courage—lied or cheated (at school, at work, at home, with friends)?

—Have any of my behaviors been a scandal to my family or friends, making it more difficult for them to be good? Have I ever placed anyone in danger through my recklessness?

—Have I supported those in rightful authority over me, or have I willfully disobeyed them, misled them, or made their lives and duties difficult?

—Do I nourish hatred against anyone, deliberately refusing to forgive them?

—Do I habitually use speech to belittle others, trying to build myself up by tearing them down?

—Have I sought to harm the reputation of others by spreading knowledge of their faults (whether those faults are true or not)?

—Have I unjustly intimidated or threatened another person with harm?

—Have I consented to, planned, or cooperated in the killing of innocent human life in abortion?

—Have I planned or attempted to end my own life, before the Lord takes me to Himself?

—Have I deliberately pursued the pleasure of sex isolated from the total, permanent, and sacrificial bond of married love (with myself—through masturbation, pornography, etc.; or with others— through sexual actions outside of marriage, contracepted intercourse, adulterous contacts, homosexual actions, etc.)?

—Does my speech respect the mystery of the truth of sexual love, or does it degrade it? Is my style of dress intended to weaken or tempt others by its suggestive display?

—Do I regularly eat or drink the proper amounts and types of food, or do I regularly over-eat or under-eat or interfere with the natural processes of digestion (through binging/purging, etc.)? Has my image of my body become an idol, demanding more of my concern and devotion than it really deserves?

—Have I violated the natural integrity of my body and fled reality by chemically manipulating my feelings in the misuse of alcohol or drugs? Have these experiences become the idol I serve to simulate feelings of true happiness and peace? Have these experiences become the escape for which I live or the false center of my joys and longings?

—Have I stolen or deliberately damaged another's property? How much? Have I made reparation for the damage done? Do my money-making activities lead me into dishonest practices?

—Am I consumed with envy at another person's possessions or accomplishments?

—Do I regularly give a portion of my possessions and attention to the poor and needy?

—Have I presumed on God's mercy, expecting to receive the benefits of forgiveness without conversion and the active practice of my faith and good living?

—Have I given in to despair concerning the forgiveness of my sins or my salvation? Have I done evil deeds out of self-hatred or let shame dominate my life? Do I let cynicism infect me and the world?

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

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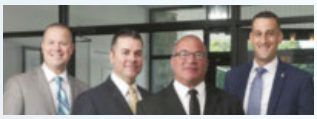

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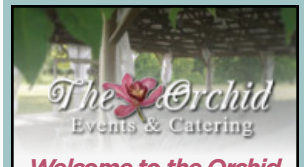

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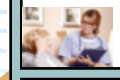

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