

MASS INTENTIONS

MONDAY, MARCH 18TH

*6:30 a.m. Dec. Members Martin/Amick Families
8:00 a.m. Donald Suelzer

TUESDAY, MARCH 19TH

*6:30 a.m. Martha Hohenstein
8:00 a.m. Timothy Tupper ALL MASS

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 20TH

*6:30 a.m. Kay Barry
8:00 a.m. William & Sarah Malone

THURSDAY, MARCH 21ST

*6:30 a.m. Douglas Munson
8:00 a.m. Rita Frank

FRIDAY, MARCH 22ND

8:00 a.m. James Keys
*5:30 p.m. Ruth Peden

SATURDAY, MARCH 23RD

8:00 a.m. Gladys Schipkowski
5:00 p.m. Ken Palmer

SUNDAY, MARCH 24TH

7:15 a.m. Liv. & Dec. Bernice Malcolm Family
9:00 a.m. Raymond & Rita Helmsing
11:00 a.m. Thomas Kinniry
6:00 p.m. For The Parish (LifeTeen Mass)

*Chapel



LENTEN WEEKDAY MASS SCHEDULE
All 6:30 a.m. Masses will be in the chapel. The 8:00 a.m. Mass will be in the church.

SERVERS' SCHEDULE

Saturday, March 23rd

8:00 a.m. Ashley Harrington, Lisa Winkler
5:00 p.m. Jacob Kaiser, Rachel Kaiser
John Grashoff, Patrick Colligan

Sunday, March 24th

7:15 a.m. Patrick Scully, Katie Schenkel
Jeremy Lill, Dan Voors
9:00 a.m. Chelsea Markley, Sarah Klein
Matt Hunnicutt, Keith Welch
11:00 a.m. Jason Reinhart, Jon Carter
Tyler Secrest, Alex Brehm

NURSERY – SUNDAY, March 24th

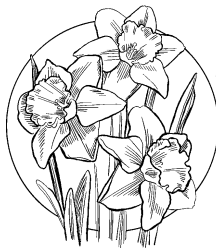
9:00 a.m. Krohn

COFFEE AND DONUTS – Sunday, March 24th

Come join your fellow parishioners in the Parish Hall after the 9:00 a.m. Mass.

EASTER FLOWERS

Once again we are offering you the opportunity to donate Easter flowers in memory of a loved one. The suggested donation is \$10 per plant. We will remember the deceased at our Easter Masses. Place the money or check in an envelope along with the form below:
(Please print)



Name of Loved One (s):

Your Name: _____

Your Address: _____

Your Phone Number: _____

Donations: _____

AREA PENANCE SERVICES

Lenten Penance Services are scheduled at the following area churches:

Our Lady of Good Hope Monday, March 18 7:00 p.m.
St. Charles Wednesday, March 20 7:00 p.m.
St. Jude's Thursday, March 21 7:00 p.m.
Fathers John, Mark and Joe will be helping out at these services.

CHRISM MASS

The annual Chrism Mass will be held at the Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception in Fort Wayne, on Tuesday, March 26, at 7:30 p.m. Bishop John M. D'Arcy has invited all priests, sisters, brothers, deacons and lay people of the diocese to attend this Mass. The Bishop has indicated that this is one of the most important liturgical observances of the year and has urged all to attend. Refreshments and reception will follow the Mass.



NOTE TO PARENTS:

The issue of children at Mass came up at a staff meeting and Father John asked that I write an article for the bulletin.

As a mother, I understand the challenge of attending Sunday Mass as a family. The Catechism states parents are to "initiate their children at an early age into the mysteries of the faith...and associate them from their tenderest years with the life of the church."

So it is important that little ones experience Mass with their parents. Believing this, we have tried about everything to make our hour of worship as peaceful as possible (if not for us, at least for the poor souls who get stuck sitting near us!) Some of the things we parents resort to need to be examined.

Coloring and drawing may seem like the perfect quiet activity. However, crayons and markers are difficult to clean off the pews and floor and not easy to read through when used to scribble in the Missalettes and Glory and Praise books. Certain toys can be particularly distracting. Cars, animals and action figures encourage noises that go along with them and easily distract other children and drown out the Lord's words proclaimed by the lectors. If you do resort to toys for entertainment, some parish friendly ideas are books (preferably religious), Magna-Doodle, Etch-a-Sketch and small, silent stuffed animals.

Often times, if all else fails, filling the little mouth with a snack or juice seems like a sure way to achieve quiet. Bottles, pacifiers or subtly nursing are appropriate ways to quiet crying babies. This is okay for infants who need to eat often; but young toddlers need to learn that Mass is not a place to snack. Kay Lynn Isca, in "Catholic Etiquette for Children at Mass" writes, "Parishioners who attend a later Mass should not have to feel like moviegoers who follow a kiddie matinee...It upsets me, too, when I have to take my kids out of Mass only because they are whining about wanting someone else's snacks." Besides, we have this beautiful new church. Just think about what happens to juice, milk or formula if left at room temperature for a week or two on our fabric covered pews.

If these suggestions don't work, having an escape route can help you remove yourselves to minimize further distraction. Sometimes walking and a change of scenery can do wonders to calm a little one. The ambulatory (space behind the pews) allows you to stay in the sanctuary. We also have a beautiful nursery and a parent alcove both equipped with speakers. Please don't lose heart. It is better for you to be at Mass even when children misbehave than to not go to avoid the hassle. And if I witness you on a rough Sunday, I'll be certain to pray for you and ask that you do the same for me.
Cindy Black

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS – PLEASE PICK UP YOUR NEW SCHEDULES IN THE MINISTRY ROOM.

HELP US GET READY FOR HOLY WEEK!!!

On Wednesday, March 20, 2002, the women of Wings will be cleaning the pews in the church. We would welcome additional help from any parishioner. We will start at 9:00 a.m. Please bring a supply of cotton rags. Call Kathy Coffin at 489-9720 or Sarah Garrison at 637-1409 for more information.



CHILDREN'S STEWARDSHIP

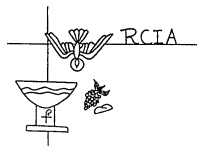
"I prayed for the sick people." David E.
 "Played with my cousins when my new baby cousin was born." Caleb

Meetings of the Week

- HARVEST HOUSE - Monday, March 18th, at 1:15 p.m. in the Spiritual Center
- BUILDING AND GROUNDS - Monday, March 18th, at 7:00 p.m. in the Teachers Lounge
- PARISH MISSION WRAP-UP - Monday, March 18th, at 7:00 p.m. in the Spiritual Center
- ST. VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY - Monday, March 18th, at 7:00 p.m. in the Chapel
- TWO BY TWO BIBLE STUDY - Tuesday, March 19th, at 9:00 a.m. in the Spiritual Center
- SHEPHERDS OF CHRIST - Tuesday, March 19th, at 6:30 p.m. in the Reservation Chapel
- RCIA - Tuesday, March 19th, at 7:00 p.m. in the Spiritual Center
- FINANCE COMMITTEE - Tuesday, March 19th, at 7:00 p.m. in the Church Conference Room
- CONFIRMATION CLASS - Tuesday, March 19th, at 7:00 p.m. in the East Meeting Room
- ADORATION OF BLESSED SACRAMENT - Wednesday, March 20th, at 8:00 a.m. in the Reservation Chapel
- WINGS CHURCH CLEANING - Wednesday, March 20th, at 9:00 a.m. in the Church
- K OF C NEW MEMBERS EXEMPLIFICATION - Wednesday, March 20th, at 7:00 p.m. in the Spiritual Center
- MOTHERS GATHERED IN PRAYER - Thursday, March 21st, at 8:00 a.m. in the East Meeting Room
- WINGS TOO - Thursday, March 21st, at 9:00 a.m. in the Spiritual Center
- MOMS - Thursday, March 21st, at 6:30 p.m. in the Spiritual Center
- PROJECT SOLIDARITY - Thursday, March 21st, at 7:00 p.m. in the Church Conference Room
- RCIA RETREAT - Saturday, March 23rd, at 9:00 a.m. in the Spiritual Center

HARVEST HOUSE PLANNING MEETING

St. Vincent Harvest House will meet Monday, March 18, 2002, at 1:15 p.m. in the Community Room. This will be our planning meeting. Please bring a salad to share. We welcome new members!



Next week, Palm Sunday, is the last Break the Word for our Elect and Candidates. Also, on Saturday, March 23, they will be making their Retreat. Please keep them in your prayers.

STATIONS OF THE CROSS

This traditional Lenten devotion will be conducted on the Fridays of Lent at 7:00 p.m. The church is open throughout the week for persons who wish to make the Stations privately.

CEMETERY NOTICE

All seasonal (winter) grave decorations are to be removed by April 6. The Maintenance Department will throw any remaining decorations away.



DIVORCED AND SEPARATED SUPPORT GROUP

Note: There will be no regular session on THURSDAY, MARCH 28. That night we will attend the 7:30 Mass of the Last Supper. Next regular session will be Thursday, April 14. For more information, call the church office at 489-3537.

ST. VINCENT EMPLOYERS-UNEMPLOYED LINK

Realizing that many people in our parish and area have lost their jobs and are looking, we want to help. In response to a parishioner's request, we are beginning a new column here in the parish bulletin.

We are asking you as owners and managers of businesses in the area to - Send by TUESDAY MORNING, IN WRITING OR E-MAIL

(stvincentchurch@hotmail.com or www.saintv.org)

1. An open position you are aware of
 2. The name of the company and address
 3. The contact person and how to reach him or her
- God is in every part of our journey!



JOB OPENINGS

- Sales; Assistant Mgr.; Collections; General Clerical
 Auto Credit USA
 100 W. Coliseum, Fort Wayne 46805
 Contact Lori Newsome, General Mngr.
 471-0567
- Sales; Fort Wayne Nissan
 4909 Lima Road, Fort Wayne 46808
 Contact Sam Weicht, New Car Mngr
 484-9500
- ColorAll Technologies of Ft. Wayne, a rapidly growing company, is seeking light auto body and paint technicians to service major auto dealers, rental companies and fleet accounts in the local area. Technicians must be quality driven and have a focus on total customer satisfaction. Please fax/send resume or call:
 Matt Brady
 ColorAll Technologies
 9020 Wyndmoor Dr.
 Fort Wayne 46825
 497-7787
 Matt 717@msn.com
- Part time Sales Person to secure new accounts in the Snack Food Industry. Pick your hours. Apply in Person: 8:00 - 12:00 Monday thru Friday.

Advertisers of the Week

Please patronize the companies that support our bulletin.

- United Snack
 4323 Earth Drive
 Fort Wayne, IN 46804
- Fort Wayne Community Schools needs 3.5 speech pathologists for the fall of 2002. A masters degree in speech pathology is required. Clinical fellowship is available. Work with diverse school-aged population K-12. One position begins April 8, 2002. Please reply to: Dave Amick, Anthis Career Center
 1200 South Barr Street
 Fort Wayne, IN 46802
 260-425-7256 (work)
 260-489-9179 (home)
- Administrator Position for Our Lady of Good Hope Child Care/ St. Charles Kindergarten. Practicing Catholic; ability to work effectively with children, parents, teachers, staff; administrative skills. License in Early Childhood Development or Elementary (willingness to work toward this license). Send letter of intent and resume to: ChildCare/Kindergarten Search Committee, Our Lady of Good Hope Catholic Church, 7215 St. Joe Road, Fort Wayne, IN 46835

HAVE YOU SEEN THE ST. VINCENT WEBSITE?

See the current bulletin and the latest church happenings. To add your group's message, submit to FrMark@saintv.org.



USHERS SCHEDULE

FOR APRIL

Saturday

5:00 p.m. Bob Musser, Dick Boggess, Keith Reinig, Frank Raney, Rollie Clements

Sunday

7:15 a.m. Larry Franck, Ken Eubank, Keith Amstutz, Jim Chickowski, Tom Jones
9:00 a.m. Jack Baumgartner, Marc Junk, Don Miller, Mark Stasell, Dan Tippmann
11:00 a.m. William Key, Roger Byers, Paul Moreau, Tom Osborn, Mike Mathews, Jesus Viduya



BAPTISMAL PREPARATION CLASS

Attendance at two Baptismal Preparation Sessions is required before your child is baptized. They are Session I and Session II. You may attend Session II before Session I, if necessary. Each session will begin at 7:00 p.m. AND WILL BE HELD IN THE NEW CHURCH CONFERENCE ROOM. It is recommended that you 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. Please call the church office to register for your sessions.

Session I	Session II
April 11	April 18
April 25	May 16
May 9	
May 23	

ATTENTION: ALL MINISTERS

(Lectors, Eucharistic Ministers, Sacristans, Homebound Ministers) Please note the following dates for our Spring reflections:

Monday evenings April 15 and 22 7:00 to 10:00 p.m.
Saturday morning May 4 8:30 to 11:30 a.m.

All reflections will be held in the Spiritual Center. Please remember that ministers **MUST** attend one of these reflections in order to remain active in your ministry.

MEN'S CO-SPIRITUAL DIRECTOR NEEDED

There is a need for a man to be discerned for the ministry of Co-Spiritual Director. This ministry serves as the spiritual director of the men's team through formation including the weekend approximately once every two years. It requires active participation in all the Continuation Committee activities, presence and support during setup, holy hour and closing of each weekend when not actively leading a team and participation in spiritual development activities for the Co-Spiritual Directors. You must have experienced a Christ Renews His Parish week-

end and be registered in the parish. If you feel called to nominate someone for this ministry, please send a letter listing the reasons you feel this person is being called to Mike Panther, 12317 Harbour Pointe, Fort Wayne, IN 46845, by March 31, 2002. Please, no self nominations.

RE-MEMBERING CHURCH

During our faith journey, we may at times have felt pulled or pushed away from the church, or perhaps just simply drifted away. If you or someone you know has been away from the church, we invite you and them back. During the Easter season, April - May, our St. Vincent parish will host catechesis sessions for those desiring to remember with the church. Perhaps you or someone you know is not ready for or desiring catechesis at this time but simply want an opportunity to talk about the faith journey and the church. We will gladly meet with you. To inquire about Re-membering or the Easter season catechesis sessions, or to set up a meeting to just talk about your faith journey, contact Tim Werling at 484-0067 or the church office at 489-3537. Please be open to the call of the Holy Spirit in your life this Lenten season. Encourage an inactive Catholic to come back to the church.



LIFE TEEN REFLECTION

I'm writing this on Tuesday; I have the windows open and didn't need a jacket today. Just three days ago the cold wind blew so hard that I couldn't keep our room warm. Some of my bulbs are so confused that they sprouted in early February. Spring begins next week and already we see these signs of life emerging from the dead of winter. All three of this Sunday's readings take us from death to life. St. Augustine points out, "The New Testament lies hidden in the Old, and the Old Testament is unveiled in the New" (CCC,129). In Ezekiel, God promises to raise us from death to life. Paul writes that if Christ is in us, we are not dead from sin, but rather alive through the spirit. Then, in the Gospel, Jesus raises Lazarus from the dead to glorify God. And that miracle is not only for Lazarus as Jesus tells us "whoever believes in me, even if he dies, will live, and everyone who lives and believes in me will never die." Hang in there (especially Fr. Mark) Lent is drawing to a close. The church adorned with a dead tree and branches will be blooming with life of Easter lilies. Teens, make these last days count. Pray, fast, and focus on God's promise, made in the Old Testament and delivered through the Resurrection of His Son, Our Savior. May we believe in Him and share in everlasting life. Cindy

YOUTH MINISTRY CALENDAR

March 17 St. Patrick Life Night
March 19 Mass and Breakfast, 6:30 a.m. in the Chapel
March 20 Ministry Hour
March 21 Pray at abortion clinic, 7 a.m.
March 24 Palm Sunday Life Night



"HEAR ME CALLING" - SPRING RETREAT

Teens, registration forms are finally available for the spring retreat. The dates are April 26-28. Demand is high and space is limited, so get your forms in right away! Come join us for a weekend to grow in faith and friendships. High school teens from all schools are welcome.

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☆ For information about St. Vincent's Youth Ministry, ☆
☆ contact Cindy Black at 489-3537 Ext. 228 or ☆
☆ e-mail cindyblack@home.com. ☆
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SCRIP SALES IN THE CHURCH

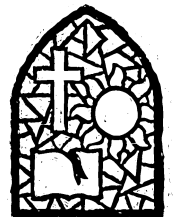
Sales will be held every other Sunday. Sale date: March 24 and April 14 and 28. Scrip will be sold after the 7:15 and 9:00 Masses in the Gathering Space near the Church Office.

We offer a variety of restaurant, grocery, gasoline and retail merchants. Proceeds benefit not only the St. Vincent's HASA, but now a portion of the profit may be accumulated toward a family's tuition. Please refer to the T.I.P. Procedure available at the Scrip table. Support from the parish community is very much appreciated.

Questions or arrangements can be coordinated by calling Julia Thill at 489-7064.

STAINED GLASS WINDOWS

If you are interested in donating one of the eighteen lower windows in the ambulatory of the nave of the church, the cost is \$7,000. These attractive stained glass windows enhance the beauty of the church, and it will be wonderful to have them all in place. We are establishing a stained glass window fund for smaller donations.



Also, we are now finalizing the design of the stained glass windows in our Blessed Sacrament Chapel. There will be a total of seven lower windows in stained glass with each depicting an angel at a cost of \$8,900 per window.

Eventually we will be placing stained glass in the upper windows of the nave; this is necessary to reduce glare. The windows in the great dome will not be done in stained glass but will remain as they are.

ATTENTION: PRESCHOOL PARENTS – CALENDAR CHANGE

There will be no pre-school classes on Sunday, March 31st or Sunday, April 7th. The Easter celebration has been rescheduled Sunday, April 14th, which will also be the last day of class.
Religious Education Office

STUDENT COUNCIL NEWS

We have sponsored several activities to provide a "Souper Lent". Students donated one can of soup and a quarter to dress casually March 7. At each of the All Masses we have conducted an Offertory Collection. On Thursday, March 21, students will walk two miles and collect sponsorship money. Spirit Pals have shared prayer through the recitation of one decade of the rosary each week. Our final activity will be a school-wide assembly for the recitation of the fifth decade. All money collected will be donated to Project Rice Bowl.



SCHOOL BOARD SEEKING CANDIDATES

The School Board serves as an advisory group to the Pastor and Principal. The Board meets the first Wednesday of each month August through June. Through prayer and the discernment of gifts, the Holy Spirit guides us in choosing parishioners who are called to this leadership position in our school community. If you are interested in serving a three-year term on the Board or can recommend someone, please call Carrie Boedeker, 489-8588 before April 20th to submit your name or nomination.

"RED RIDING HOOD" ARRIVES MARCH 23RD

St. Vincent's School is pleased to announce it is time for our annual school play (Missoula). Our students in grades 1 through 8 are getting geared-up for this year's production of "Red Riding Hood". Performances are scheduled for Sat., March 23rd. Show times begin at 2:00 p.m. and 7:00 p.m. Admission is \$4.00 for adults. Students and children are free. Please come and enjoy a fun-filled evening.

CHEERLEADING COACHES NEEDED

St. Vincent's school is in need of cheerleading coaches. Please consider this opportunity to give of your time and talents. Contact Greg Eifert 483-1961, if interested.



ST. VINCENT'S ANNUAL GARAGE SALE

This annual garage sale sponsored by the St. Vincent's Home and School Association will be held on April 6th from 8 a.m. to 2 p.m. in the Parish Hall. Drop off times will be Wednesday, April 3, 5 p.m. to 9 p.m.; Thursday and Friday, April 4 and 5, 9 a.m. to 8 p.m.

If you will be on vacation during this time, you may drop off your items the week before the sale during school hours. Items may be placed on the stage during this time. For pickup of large items, or to help with the sale, call Theresa 484-7014; Betsy 637-9804 and Lioba 637-3279.

GIRL SCOUT CARNIVAL

We are now getting ready for the annual St. Vincent School Carnival, which will be Friday, April 26. One of the highlights of the evening is the raffle. We have traditionally relied upon area businesses for support in providing gifts for the raffle. We are once again asking you to consider such a donation for this year's carnival. Your gift will be acknowledged in all carnival publicity and again that night, so that you receive maximum exposure and promotional benefit for your efforts on our behalf. Please be as generous as possible. Contact Kathy Schenkel (489-5355) or Tami Peters (627-0730) with your donation. Thank you once again for your generous support.

SPRING IN THE AIR

And that means it's time for the friends of Girl Scouts annual GERANIUM SALE. Pre-order yours now through April 2. 36 (per flat) quality plants from The Plant Center. Price \$20.00 per flat, \$13.00 per half-flat, and \$22.00 for a flat with 2 colors. Color choices: Red, White, Salmon, Rose, and Violet. The plants will be 4 to 5 inches tall and may be picked up May 9, 10 and 11. To order, call Melissa Nix - 489-9801; Maureen Yankowiak - 637-5532; and Denise Ewing - 489-1352.

TUITION ASSISTANCE ENVELOPES

When you use your Tuition Assistance envelope found in the monthly packet of collection envelopes, you help provide a Catholic school education for children whose parents need financial help. Tuition for one child in our grade school is \$1,356.00; for two children, \$2,034.00; and for three or more, \$2,712.00. Thus far this year, we are giving \$27,169.86 in financial assistance. Thank you very much for supporting our parish grade school.

WAYS TO FUND YOUR CHILD'S EDUCATION

Learn how you can save for your child's elementary and high school tuition. Bishop Dwenger High School will host an educational savings seminar on Tuesday, March 26, 2002, at 7:00 p.m. This informative no-cost seminar will show families how they can set up various savings plans to help fund their child's education. In order to plan for this seminar, we ask that you call 496-4706 to let us know if you are going to attend. You may also e-mail dfech@bishopdwenger.com.

TUTORING AVAILABLE

Kara Tenderly will provide private or semi-private tutoring. She has 10 years experience. Contact her at 260-627-5901.

TUTOR NEEDED

A parishioner is in need of a tutor for college-level chemistry. This is an ideal opportunity for a retired person, although anyone interested should call the church office at 489-3537.

FRANCISCAN CENTER NEEDS YOUR SUPPORT

The Franciscan Center needs your help. Our supply levels have dropped dramatically, and we are requesting your help. We are in need of the following items:

- Sandwich sacks
- Snack size bags
- Gallon Size storage bags
- Brown paper grocery bags
- Cash Donations

You may drop these off at the center: 4643 Gaywood Drive on Mon-Thurs 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. and Saturday 8:00 a.m. to 10:00 a.m. Thank you for your support and love of the needy of our great community.

****NOTE: ANY OF THESE ITEMS CAN BE DROPPED OFF AT THE RELIGIOUS ED OFFICE.**

COME IN NEED, COME IN THANKSGIVING — PLEASE COME

In adoration we express our dependence on God and our gratitude for all that his love has provided for our salvation, especially for the gift of His living presence in the Blessed Sacrament.

On Wednesday's, our parish is privileged to have Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament for the day until 4 p.m. in the Reservation Chapel. We are required to have at least two people praying as long as the Sacrament is on the altar for this type of adoration. Please contact Mary Ann Brown at 489-4823 if you would like to do this and be scheduled for a specific hour. Drop-ins are welcome.

PRESCHOOL REGISTRATION AT QUEEN OF ANGELS

You can register your child for preschool at Queen of Angels Catholic School on Wednesday, March 20, 2002, at 1:00 p.m. in the church hall. Children must be 3 years old by July 1, 2002 to enroll in the 3-year-old class, or 4 years old by July 1, 2003 to enroll in the 4-year-old class. Please bring the child's birth certificate, baptismal certificate (if applicable), immunization record and registration fee of \$100.00. For more information, please call Kathy Melton or Paula Johnson at 483-8214.



GET READY FOR SPRING —

MOWERS FOR SALE

St. Vincent's parish has for sale a Toro Groundmaster 217D, 52" mower deck with grass collector and a White zero-turn, 62" mower deck with 18 hp Briggs engine. Call 489-3537 Ext. 217.