

MASS INTENTIONS

MONDAY, APRIL 7TH
 *6:30 a.m. Kathleen Marie Stritmatter
 8:00 a.m. Donald Balsler

TUESDAY, APRIL 8TH
 *6:30 a.m. Georgianna Halte
 8:00 a.m. Amelia Schmitt

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 9TH
 *6:30 a.m. James E. Robinson
 8:00 a.m. Kelly Jeanne Finton ALL MASS

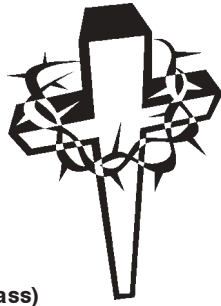
THURSDAY, APRIL 10TH
 *6:30 a.m. Doris A. Poiry
 8:00 a.m. Clifford Schlatter

FRIDAY, APRIL 11TH
 8:00 a.m. Nancy Folisi
 *5:30 p.m. Phil Lauri

SATURDAY, APRIL 12TH
 8:00 a.m. Catherine Schenkel
 5:00 p.m. Lucille Grace Atler

SUNDAY, APRIL 13TH
 7:15 a.m. Bill Maloney
 9:00 a.m. David Cox
 11:00 a.m. Ralph Schimmele
 6:00 p.m. For The Parish (LifeTeen Mass)

*CHAPEL



SERVERS' SCHEDULE

Saturday, April 12th
 8:00 a.m. Ashley Gutnecht, Andrew Bolinger
 5:00 p.m. Aaron Voors, Brian Burns
 Michael Kemper, Rachel Yankowiak

Sunday, April 13th
 7:15 a.m. Phoebe Davis, Justin Shutt
 Brian Key, Philip Gase
 9:00 a.m. Thomas Brunner, Patrick Brunner
 Nick Ehlerding, Brittany Reinhart
 11:00 a.m. Nicole Mullins, Hana Geswein
 Casey Cohen, Annie Gaunt

NURSERY – Sunday, April 13th

9:00 a.m. Jeff and Robin Grau

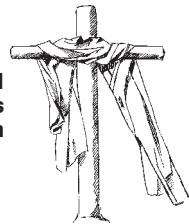


WEDDING BANNS

Thomas Hoblet and Heather Earnhart

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.



WANT TO ATTEND A TV MASS?

Fr. Joe Gaughan will be celebrating the TV Mass at 10:30 a.m. next Sunday, April 13. He is in need of a small congregation; so if you plan to attend that Mass, arrive around 10:00 a.m. at the University of St. Francis Chapel. If you need directions, call the church office.

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 for a plant. We will remember the deceased at our Easter Masses. Place the money or check in an envelope along with the form below:



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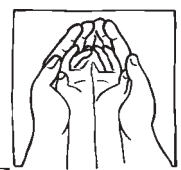
Name of Loved One(s): _____

Your Name: _____

Your Address: _____

Your Phone Number: _____

Donation: _____



Forgiveness

PENANCE SERVICES

We will be having a Penance Service this Saturday, April 12th, at 3:00 p.m. Four priests will be hearing confessions. This Penance Service is an addition to the three we already have scheduled. The final Penance Service will be Monday of Holy Week at 7:00 p.m. with nine priests.

AREA PENANCE SERVICES

Lenten Penance Services are scheduled at the following area churches:

Our Lady of Good Hope	Monday, April 7	7:00 p.m.
St. Charles	Wednesday, April 9	7:00 p.m.
St. Jude	Thursday, April 10	7:00 p.m.

Fathers John and Joe will be helping out at these services.

PLAN TO ATTEND THE CHRISM MASS

The annual Chrism Masses will be held at the Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception in Fort Wayne, on Tuesday, April 15, 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 in both locations.

RCIA – GOOD NEWS!!!!

Sandy Getts is back in the RCIA and will be coming into the Church at the Easter Vigil! Please keep Sandy and all of our Elect and Candidates in your prayers.



RE-MEMBERING CHURCH

Why do we need to be active Catholics? Isn't faith a personal experience? God knows what is in each individual's heart, and judgment is certainly going to be personal. But God instilled the human psyche with a desire for fellowship, and Jesus established a new order of fellowship for the church while he celebrated the Passover meal with his disciples on the night before he died for us. Just as the general human experience is more fulfilling when shared in community, so too is the faith experience. Pray that the Holy Spirit will send a witness to touch the heart of inactive Catholics. Pray for the courage to be a witness that will encourage an inactive Catholic to come back to the church. Call Tim Werling at 484-0067 or the church office at 489-3537 if you have questions about Re-membering Church.

“LET'S TALK ABOUT ...”

During the Sundays of Lent, there will be a dialogue series entitled “Let's Talk About ...” These will be in the East Conference Room following the 9:00 a.m. Mass. Bring your questions. Bring your insight. Let's discuss how to live Christ's teachings in our daily lives. Directed by Marilyn Fech.

April 6	Let's Talk About Scripture Reading
April 13	Let's Talk About Heaven and Hell



NEW EUCHARISTIC MINISTER TRAINING

We are now accepting names of persons who would like to be a Special Minister of Holy Communion at the Sunday Eucharist or to the homebound. If you are interested in this liturgical ministry or can recommend someone, you may call the church office. All candidates for this ministry must be present for a training session, however attendance at this meeting is by invitation only, so it is important that we have the names of potential candidates as soon as possible. The training session is scheduled for Monday, May 12.

Special Minister of Holy Communion must be a registered member of the parish, at least a junior in high school, a Catholic in good standing with the Church, and a person with a good reputation in the community. It is assumed, of course, that the candidate has a love for our Lord in the Eucharist and a desire to deepen this love through this beautiful ministry. We ask you to recommend a RCIA man or woman of the parish, or you may submit your own name.

Dorothy Schuerman and Sister Kay Jarema SSND

Meetings of the Week

DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE – Monday, April 7th, at 7:00 p.m. in the Teachers Lounge
 MEN'S CLUB – Monday, April 7th, at 8:00 p.m. in the Parish Hall
 THE WORD – TWO BY TWO BIBLE STUDY – Tuesday, April 8th, at 8:30 a.m. in the East Meeting Room
 HASA MEETING – Tuesday, April 8th, at 6:30 p.m. in the Teachers Lounge
 SHEPHERDS OF CHRIST – Tuesday, April 8th, at 6:30 p.m. in the Reservation Chapel
 RCIA – Tuesday, April 8th, at 7:00 p.m. in the Spiritual Center
 ADORATION OF BLESSED SACRAMENT – Wednesday, April 9th, at 8:00 a.m. in the Reservation Chapel
 WINGS – Wednesday, April 9th, at 9:00 a.m. in the Spiritual Center
 SCHOOL BOARD – Wednesday, April 9th, at 6:30 p.m. in the Teachers Lounge
 BEREAVEMENT SESSION – Wednesday, April 9th, at 7:00 p.m. in the Chapel
 MOTHERS GATHERED IN PRAYER – Thursday, April 10th, at 8:30 a.m. in the East Meeting Room
 WINGS TOO – Thursday, April 10th, at 9:00 a.m. in the Spiritual Center
 BAPTISMAL PREPARATION I – Thursday, April 10th, at 7:00 p.m. in the East Meeting Room
 DIVORCED/SEPARATED SUPPORT GROUP – Thursday, April 10th, at 7:00 p.m. in the Spiritual Center
 MEN'S PRAYER BREAKFAST – Friday, April 11th, at 6:00 a.m. at the Omega Restaurant, Coliseum Boulevard
 RCIA RETREAT – Saturday, April 12th, at 9:00 a.m. in the Spiritual Center
 RCIC RETREAT – Saturday, April 12th, at 9:00 a.m. in the East Meeting Room

HARVEST HOUSE PLANNING A TRIP

St. Vincent Harvest House is planning a trip to the World War II Museum, Auburn, Indiana, on Wed., April 23, 2003. We will eat lunch in Auburn afterwards. We will meet at the new church parking lot at (9:30 a.m. and carpool. RSVP to 482-2085 or 483-7252 by April 21 so we will know who is carpooling (don't want to leave anyone behind!) The cost for both the WWII Museum and the Car Museum is \$10, less \$2 for Seniors; WWII vets are free; other vets are free for the WWII Museum, but there is a \$4 fee to go to the Car Museum. The Museum is wheelchair accessible.

LADIES! COME ENJOY A PIZZA PARTY!

On Monday, April 7th, parish ladies are invited to come to the Scout Lodge for a pizza party at 7 p.m.



DISCIPLES IN MISSION PARISH CELEBRATION

Mark your calendars for Sunday afternoon, May 18th. Everyone is invited to attend whether you were able to participate in Disciples in Mission or not. Watch the Bulletin for details.

CEMETERY LOTS AVAILABLE

Two cemetery spaces at Covington Memorial Garden "Garden of Last Supper" are for sale. Going price currently is \$825/per space. Any reasonable offer will be considered. Please contact Sherry Miller at the parish office – 489-3537 Ext. 209.

DIVORCED/SEPARATED SUPPORT GROUP

Please join us on Thursday, April 10, at 7:00 in the Spiritual Center. Mary Jo Todoran, MSW, ACSW, LCSW, will be talking with us on the topic of "Forgiveness". For more information, please call the church office at 489-3537.

MEN'S PRAYER BREAKFAST - If you would like to meet some of your fellow parishioners for some prayer, fellowship and food to begin your day off on the right foot, plan to join men of the parish at the Omega Family Restaurant on Coliseum Boulevard this Friday, April 11th, at 6:00 a.m. ALL MEN ARE WELCOME!

LATEST ORGAN NEWS

On or around April 26th, the Wicks Pipe Organ Co. will be removing the console and all electrical components. They will use the summer months to completely rebuild the organ. We appreciate your ongoing contributions to the Organ Fund since the cost will be \$134,000.00.

CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT ENVELOPE: CHURCH ORGAN

Thank you for using the Capital Improvement envelope found in your monthly packet of Sunday collection envelopes. Your contribution to this fund will help defray the cost of the repair and improvements on our church organ. The estimated cost of this project is \$134,000. Some of our parishioners, having completed their building campaign pledge, will see this as an opportunity to continue giving in support of our building.

F.A.I.T.H. (FINDING ANSWERS IN THE HOLY SPIRIT)

This group will be a resource and support for couples struggling with infertility in a warm and caring atmosphere. The group will next meet on Tues., April 29th, at 7 p.m. in the Life House. The objectives of the group are to provide support and understanding to couples with infertility and to be a resource for couples regarding infertility treatments, adoption and the church's teachings. Please contact Amy Barteel 497-8257 if you are planning to attend or with further questions.

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. in the East Meeting 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 10	April 24
May 8	May 15
May 22	

Advertisers of the Week

Please patronize the companies that support our bulletin.

PLEASE BE A PART OF THIS WONDERFUL MINISTRY

Funeral dinners are a service we provide for families of our parish following the funeral of their loved one. Help is always needed to make a ministry successful. We are in need of more people to help to serve the meal. We also need one person to call people for food (your turn will not be often). Any questions you have or if you are interested in this beautiful ministry, please call Therese Yankowiak 489-6741.

BEREAVEMENT SUPPORT GROUP

In a time of loss it is important to know that there is a place where you can be with others who understand your pain. This is a time when being with others who have walked their own path of grief may be of comfort and offer us solace in a way that our families and friends cannot give.



As a part of our service St. Vincent de Paul Bereavement Ministry is holding a Bereavement Support Group session which will meet each Wednesday for five weeks. The time and dates: 7:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m. on April 16, 23, 30 and May 7 and 14. These sessions will be held in the Spiritual Center at St. Vincent's.

It is our hope to provide a comforting atmosphere in which to share the grief and bereavement process and to offer emotional support. These groups have proven helpful to many. You are not alone in your pain and there is much that can be done to help the grieving process.

If this is what you are looking for, call Therese at 489-6741 or Evelyn at 637-6492.

YOUTH MINISTRY CALENDAR

April 6 Life Night: True



PARENT RETREAT REGISTRATION

The LIFETEEN mission is to lead teens closer to Christ. One great way to do that is to lead teens' parents closer to Christ. Twice a year, we take 65-85 teens on retreat where they experience life-changing transformation. Parents often say, "I don't know what you do on those retreats, but WOW! what a difference I see in my teen."

Well parents, we invite you to share a similar experience. St. Vincent's LIFETEEN will offer our first ever LIFE PARENTS retreat. It will be a day of prayer, reflection and encouragement, providing the opportunity for profound spiritual growth. The date is set for all day Saturday, May 10. Contact Cindy Black for a registration form.

BELIEVE, BE LOVED, BE WITNESS

Join us for Faith Fest, a Diocesan Youth Rally on Saturday, April 26, at Wawasee Middle School in Syracuse. We will leave at 10 a.m. and return about 9:30 p.m. See Cindy for Registration forms. Please turn forms in no later than Sunday, April 6.

LIFETEEN SCHOLARSHIP \$\$\$

Seniors, go to www.LIFETEEN.com for info.



TEENS, IS GOD CALLING YOU TO BE A LECTOR OR EUCHARISTIC MINISTER?

If you are at least 16 and are a good example of living your faith, pray to discern your involvement with the LifeTeen Mass. Sign up with Cindy if you are interested. Training date to be announced when set.

JR. HIGH LIFE

Our last three JHL nights are April 21, May 5, and May 19. Mark your calendars and invite your friends. Have a safe Spring Break. Be good!

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☆ For information about St. Vincent's Youth Ministry, ☆
☆ contact Cindy Black at 489-3537 Ext. 228 or ☆
☆ e-mail Cblack@SaintV.org. ☆
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LARGE FAMILY DIOCESAN FUND FORMS ARE NOW AVAILABLE

The Large Family Diocesan Fund is designed to provide financial assistance to families with three or more children in Catholic elementary and/or high schools. Information and application forms are now available in the parish and/or school office. APPLICATION DEADLINE: May 9. There will be only one distribution date in 2003. However, it is necessary that the family demonstrate financial need.

SCRIP SALES DURING LENT

There will be NO Scrip sales April 13 and 20.

Regular weekly sales are every Sunday from 8 a.m. – 11:00 a.m. and following Life Teen Mass in the Gathering Space. Thank you for your support!

CHRIST RENEWS HIS PARISH MISSION TEAMS

New teams are forming to present a Christ Renews weekend at St. Bavo's parish in Mishawaka, Indiana on September 13/14 (men's) and September 27/28 (women's). Include the following information:

1. Why you feel called to this team?
2. Your previous team experience and ministry served.
3. Please share one or two ministries that you would feel called to at this time.

The men's team will be meeting on Sunday nights.

The women's team will be meeting on Tuesday nights.

Send your letter to:

Steve Minne
1629 Coronado Ct. 46845

Mary Jo Todoran
10030 Silver Lake Ct. 46825

EIGHTH GRADE RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Learning about our faith is a life-long endeavor. We cannot be complacent about our knowledge of and commitment to Catholicism. This holds true for us adults and our children as well. A few of our recently confirmed eighth graders no longer attend Religious Education classes. We conclude the eighth grade year with studies in morality – making certain that our young people are informed of the church's teachings on moral issues. With all the evils in our culture today, educating our youth from a Catholic perspective is imperative. Please remain firm in your resolve to have your children attend their classes.



FIRST COMMUNION

Second grade students who will be receiving their First Eucharist will be attending a morning retreat on Thursday, April 10. This will be a time of prayer, learning more about the gift of Eucharist in their lives, as well as baking and breaking bread together. Please offer your prayers for these little ones, their parents, catechists and teachers as the momentous day for First Eucharist approaches.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

For Wednesday evening Religious Education, there will be no classes on April 9 or April 16. The final four classes will be held on April 23, April 30, May 7, and May 14.

There will be no Sunday classes for Preschool and Religious Education on April 6. Classes will be held on April 13 – the final class for Preschool children. There are no classes on April 20, Easter Sunday. Classes resume on April 27, May 4, May 11, with the final class held on May 17.

VBS

SCUBA, the theme for Summer Vacation Bible School which will take place June 16-19, Monday through Thursday, will provide bubbly Bible adventures with such characters as Squirt, Pearl, and Gill.



Sign up will take place after the Masses on Sundays, April 13, 27, and May 11. Children from age 4 through those entering grade 4 are invited to attend.

Volunteers will be needed to help with many and varied activities planned each day from 9:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. Consider volunteering your time to help out. Lisa Harris is the big fish (chairperson) for VBS.



NOMINATIONS

Recommend someone, please call Joyce Colligan, 637-2315 before April 19th to submit your name or nomination.

SCHOOL BOARD SEEKING CANDIDATES

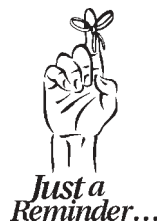
The School Board serves as an advisory group to the Pastor and Principal. The Board meets the first Wednesday of each month August through June. Through prayer and the discernment of gifts, the Holy Spirit guides us in choosing parishioners who are called to this leadership position in our school community. If you are interested in serving a three-year term on the Board or can recommend someone, please call Joyce Colligan, 637-2315 before April 19th to submit your name or nomination.

MEIJER/KROGER BAG RECYCLING REMINDER

Thanks to your participation, thousands of bags are being recycled weekly. Please remember:

- 1) We ONLY recycle Meijer and Kroger plastic bags (NOT Scott's, Target, Wal-Mart, etc.)
- 2) It is essential that you flatten the bags from the bottom seam up and to stack the bags with the bottom seams together. This must be done to make our processing go much faster with such a huge volume.

Only with your help can we continue this environmentally friendly, fundraiser for the school. Thank you for your cooperation!



GIRL SCOUT CARNIVAL

We are now getting ready for the annual St. Vincent School Carnival, which will be Friday, May 2. 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 FLOWER SALE

Friends of Girl Scouts is once again proud to announce our annual Geranium sale. This year we are also adding flats of mixed impatiens at \$18 for 48 plants. Geraniums are available in red, white, salmon, and violet for \$21 per flat of 36, \$14 for 1/2 flat and \$23 for a 2-color flat. Please call Melissa at 489-9801 or Maureen at 637-5532 by April 13 to order. Thank you again for helping the Girl Scouts!

MEN WANTED

We want to issue an invitation to all eligible men of the parish to join the Knights of Columbus - St. Vincent's Council. The Knights is a service organization of Catholic men which is involved in both our church and our community by helping the less fortunate, supporting our youth programs, our seminarians, and the Right to Life effort. Knights work as volunteers when needed at St. Vincent's and on projects within our community. In addition, we relax and enjoy each other and ourselves at dances, hayrides, dinner theater and other such social events.

You can be as active in the Knights of Columbus as your time allows. You might choose to be an officer in our organization or limit your participation to flipping an occasional pancake at one of our Sunday parish breakfasts.

If you want to join us or want more information first, please call Ray Ohlman, membership director, at 637-5377. We look forward to welcoming you to our council.



A MESSAGE FROM PARKVIEW HOSPITAL CHAPLAINCY SERVICES



The following is the privacy portion of the Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act of 1996:

- 1) When you register at Parkview Hospital (and all other hospitals) you will be offered a copy of our 'Notice of Privacy Practices'.
- 2) You will have the option of having your name listed in our patient directory or opting to be excluded from the directory. Please note: if you choose to opt out of the directory, we will not tell anyone you are here (not even your family), and you will not receive any mail, flowers or telephone calls. If you opt out of the directory, your church will not be notified even if you ask us to make the notification.
- 3) When you register you will be asked if you have a church that you would like us to notify concerning your admission. If you wish your church to be notified, you must give us the name of the congregation. If you do not wish your church to be notified, you will be entered in our system as "no preference" and no congregation will be notified.
- 4) If you wish your pastor/priest to have information about your condition, time of surgery, etc., you or your family will need to give that information to him/her. Hospital staff will not be able to provide this information to a person who is not authorized by you to receive it.

To ensure that your pastor/priest knows of your admission, it is always best for you or a family member to call them. Each hospital will have some form of guidelines related to HIPAA. The above are specific to Parkview Hospital.

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. 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)

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!

SERVICE TECHNICIAN

Roto-Rooter Plumbers is looking for an experienced service technician, with a variety of proven skills. Dependability, good driving record and an outgoing personality are just a few characteristics needed to be successful in this trade. Experience helpful but not necessary. CDL license would be a plus. This position is full-time with competitive benefits. Apply in person: Roto-Rooter Plumbers, 7017 A Lincoln Hwy E, Fort Wayne, IN 46803 (260) 745-9969

VAN/BUS DRIVER NEEDED

St. Mary's Catholic Church needs a van/bus driver for Sunday mornings. Hours are 7:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. A current CDL license is required. For further information, contact the church office at 424-8231.

LOOKING FOR RETAIL SALES ASSOCIATES AND MANAGERS

Full or part-time. \$2,000 per month base plus commission. If interested, please call at 450-3375.

FIELD AGENT

The Knights of Columbus is seeking a Field Agent for a career opportunity representing their insurance program. We offer a complete benefits package with this full-time position. In order to qualify, one must be eligible for membership in the Knights of Columbus. For more information, please contact, John J. Stackowicz, General Agent at (574) 282-1082 or FAX your resume to (574) 282-1083.

PARISHIONERS SEEKING EMPLOYMENT

We, at St. Vincent's, would like to assist active, registered members in their search for employment in these difficult economic times. We ask employers who could use someone with the specific trades noted to give consideration to the following individuals:

**Mechanical Engineer
Len 637-7391

**Sales, Computer information systems, retail management
Bala 489-4311

**PC Systems Specialist
Bob 483-6576

This is a service to assist and not an endorsement from St. Vincent de Paul Church. Submit to the church office in writing or by e-mail stvincentchurch@hotmail.com:

1. Position you are seeking (excluding qualifications)
 2. Full name and phone number
- Bulletin deadline is noon on Tuesdays.

CHILDCARE PROVIDER

Stay-at-home mom will babysit for your child in my Christian, NE area home, any age, fenced in backyard, hot meals, lots of love! Please call Beth at 485-2751.

CHILDCARE NEEDED

Family new to Fort Wayne and St. Vincent's Parish seeks caregiver for 8-month old son. Loving, Christian environment is desired. Please call Sara at (260) 341-5295.