

MASS INTENTIONS

MONDAY, APRIL 21ST

8:00 a.m. Henry & Rosina Weber

TUESDAY, APRIL 22ND

*6:30 a.m. Doris Hinsey

8:00 a.m. Harold Smith

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 23RD

*6:30 a.m. Rosemary Koeller

8:00 a.m. Int. for Eifert, Heiney & Roussel Families

THURSDAY, APRIL 24TH

*6:30 a.m. Walter Till

8:00 a.m. Elizabeth Parsons

FRIDAY, APRIL 25TH

8:00 a.m. James Crabill

*5:30 p.m. Helen Waikel

SATURDAY, APRIL 26TH

8:00 a.m. Anyankwo Nwosu

5:00 p.m. David Rasor

SUNDAY, APRIL 27TH

7:15 a.m. Wilma Lenkendofer

9:00 a.m. Harry E. Lambert

11:00 a.m. Thomas J. Kosorski

6:00 p.m. For The Parish (LifeTeen Mass)

*Chapel



SERVERS' SCHEDULE

Saturday, April 26

8:00 a.m. Ryan Nielson, Lauren Wilson

5:00 p.m. Elizabeth Nicola, Chelsea Klinker
Sarah Vanderbosch, Becky Vanderbosch

Sunday, April 27

7:15 a.m. Addi Tomlinson, Andrew Wyckoff

Patrick Scully, Christina Brown

9:00 a.m. Nick Ferran, Stefan Coonan

Olivia Lebamoff, Chris Stump

11:00 a.m. Felicia Jones, Alex Westrick
Sal Lombardo, Jessica Lynch

USHERS SCHEDULE FOR MAY

Saturday

5:00 p.m. Mike Scheer, Craig Klinker,
Steve Clifford, Brad Thompson

Sunday

7:15 a.m. Robert Mikol, Dan Budzon, Bill Poure,
Jim Irej, David Moran

9:00 a.m. Fred Couch, Toni Ohlman, Ray Ohlman,
Roger Watercutter, John Kligenberger

11:00 a.m. Dave Watercutter, Ann Petrie, Ed Parent,
John Tippmann, Jim Leazier

NURSERY – Sunday, April 27th

9:00 a.m. Doug and Leah Kenna

COFFEE AND DONUTS – Sunday, April 27

9:00 a.m. Hinde and Divorced and Separated Group

WEDDING BANS

III Thomas Hoblet and Heather Earnhart

II Matthew Maloney and Alissa Post

I Kenneth Noonan and Alicia Jakway



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.

FROM THE PASTOR:

Hopefully the worst of the war with Iraq is over. The war has caused us grave concern and has weighed heavily on the hearts of those with loved ones serving in the military. May our brave troops return home to us soon, and may the suffering people of Iraq receive the help they need to rebuild their nation. In the midst of conflict and suffering, we do not lose hope. The power of Christ's death and resurrection strengthens us.



May you have a blessed and happy Easter.
Fr. John

RCIA

Alleluia!! Alleluia!!

RE-MEMBERING CHURCH

Want to know more about the faith journey? Want to remember your Catholic heritage? Want to re-member with the Church? This Easter season, plan to attend Thursday evening sessions for catechesis and discussion about Catholicism. Father Joe and Marilyn Fech will host six Thursday evening sessions (beginning May 1st) from 7:00 – 8:30 p.m. in the Convent Meeting Room. Session topics will include, but not be limited to: Jesus, the Bible, Church Tradition/History, Sacraments of the Church, the Mass, Morality. Your questions will direct the sessions too. Call Tim Werling at 484-0067 or the church office at 489-3537 if you have questions about Re-membering Church.

COLLECTION FOR RETIREMENT FUND FOR RELIGIOUS

Next weekend will be the annual collection throughout our diocese for the Retirement Fund for Religious. Several years ago, the bishops of the United States established this collection to help religious congregations in our country meet the rising costs of caring for their retired members. As you know, many religious congregations came from Europe to start or staff schools, hospitals and orphanages in this country. There was no government support for these institutes, and so many religious, for most of their history, received only modest stipends and usually no benefits. They had no insurance or pension plan, and they weren't eligible for Social Security.

Today, the average annual cost of care for religious over age 70 is over \$21,000 and the unfounded retirement of these religious is estimated to be \$7 billion. More than 96% of the money collected in this national appeal is distributed as grants to congregations for the retirement needs of their more than 45,000 elderly and infirm members. All of us are only too aware of the magnificent contribution that many religious priests, brothers and sisters have made in our own lives, in our diocese, and indeed, in our nation as a whole. They nourished our faith, not only with their words, but with the example of their lives. We are deeply in their debt.

Please be as generous as you can with this collection which lets us give something back to those religious sisters, brothers and priests who have given so much to us.

PROJECT 25 COLLECTION – NEXT WEEKEND

The last Sunday of each month, at all the Masses, boxes are placed near the columns in the church's gathering space to allow our parishioners to contribute to this project. These contributions are split evenly between our parish St. Vincent de Paul Society and Matthew 25, the medical and dental facility for citizens of Fort Wayne who do not have health insurance and are not eligible for Medicaid.

MISS VIRGINIA MISSION SUNDAY

Please remember this ministry to the needy of the inner city next Sunday, April 30th. Bags of food or paper products may be left in the Gathering Space of the church. Whatever is collected is taken to Inner City Hope Mission House that very day, so please refrain from bringing items through the week.



CATHOLIC DIGEST

We have 50 copies of the special Easter edition of the Catholic Digest. Look for them on the table outside the office, only \$1.00 per copy.

CHILDREN'S STEWARDSHIP

"Praying for my Godmother to get well soon." Nexa K.
"I took turns with my sister on the swingset." Winnie and Ellen O.
"Clean up the play room." Chelsea S.
"I pray every day that the war will end." Ben K.
"Praying for the soldier." Maddy E.

Meetings of the Week

BUILDING AND GROUNDS – Monday, April 21st, at 7:00 p.m. in the Teachers Lounge
FINANCE COMMITTEE – Tuesday, April 22nd, at 6:45 a.m. in the Church Conference Room
THE WORD – TWO BY TWO BIBLE STUDY – Tuesday, April 22nd, at 8:30 a.m. in the East Meeting Room
SHEPHERDS OF CHRIST – Tuesday, April 22nd, at 6:30 p.m. in the Reservation Chapel
RCIA – Tuesday, April 22nd, at 7:00 p.m. in the Spiritual Center
ADORATION OF BLESSED SACRAMENT – Wednesday, April 22nd, at 8:00 a.m. in the Reservation Chapel
WINGS – Wednesday, April 23rd, at 9:00 a.m. in the Spiritual Center
MARRIAGE PREPARATION – Wednesday, April 23rd, at 7:00 p.m. in the Church Conference Room
CHRIST RENEWS HIS PARISH CONTINUATION COMMITTEE – Wednesday, April 23rd, at 7:00 p.m. in the Spiritual Center
BEREAVEMENT SESSION – Wednesday, April 23rd, at 7:00 p.m. in the Chapel
MOTHERS GATHERED IN PRAYER – Thursday, April 24th, at 8:30 a.m. in the East Meeting Room
WINGS TOO – Thursday, April 23rd, at 9:00 a.m. in the Spiritual Center
BAPTISMAL PREPARATION II – Thursday, April 23rd, at 7:00 p.m. in the East Meeting Room
DIVORCED/SEPARATED SUPPORT GROUP – Thursday, April 23rd, at 7:00 p.m. in the Spiritual Center
FAMILY ROSARY GROUP – Friday, April 25th, at 6:30 p.m. in the Spiritual Center
NATURAL FAMILY PLANNING – Saturday, April 26th, at 9:00 a.m. in the Spiritual Center

FA.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 Bartee 497-8257 if you are planning to attend or with further questions.

DISCIPLES IN MISSION PARISH CELEBRATION

Mark your calendars for 2 p.m., Sunday afternoon, May 18th. Everyone is invited to attend whether you were able to participate in Disciples in Mission or not. Any parish families doing DM within their family unit, please save your children's artwork and crafts for our Family Display Table on reflection day. Watch the Bulletin for details.

LIFE IN THE SPIRIT RETREAT

The retreat will be held at St. Vincent's Spiritual Center on Saturday, May 31st at 8:30 a.m. – 3:30 p.m. Lunch provided. All welcome. Father Bob Dombrowski will be the main speaker.

DIVORCED/SEPARATED SUPPORT GROUP

Come join us on Thursday, April 24, at 7:00 p.m. in the Spiritual Center. It's time to have a party!!! For more information, call the church office at 489-3537.

LADIES: PLAN TO ATTEND THE 'ROSARY BANQUET'

Please reserve your place for this year's Rosary Banquet at the Scout Lodge on May 5th, planned by the Rosary Society. Mass will be at 6:30 followed by potluck dinner. Meat and drinks will be provided. Reservations by May 1. Please call Theresa 484-7014 or Maureen 637-5532.



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.

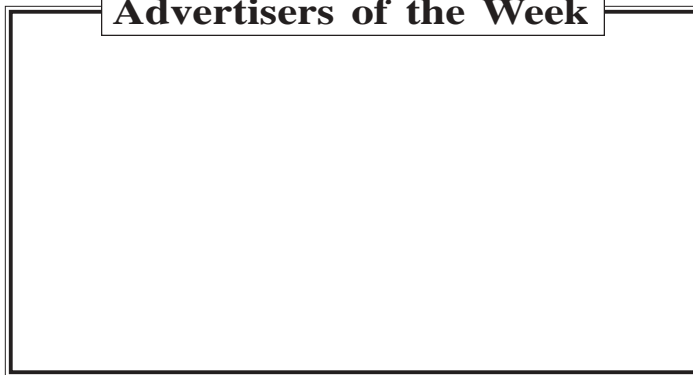
MEDICAID SELECT

The state's new managed care program, called 'Medicaid Select', allows the member to choose a Primary Medical Provider to coordinate all the member's health care needs. This is health insurance for Indiana's Medicaid-eligible persons who are 65 or over, blind, or disabled. Call 1-877-MedSelect (1-877-633-7353) to get more information.

HOOSIER RX

- Do you or someone you know need help paying for prescription drugs and are age 65 or over? The state of Indiana's HoosierRx Drug Card can save eligible seniors 50% (half) of the cost of prescriptions. Call 1-866-267-4679 toll-free for an application.

Advertisers of the Week



Please patronize the companies that support our bulletin.

COMMUNITY IN CHRIST: PRIDE ATTENTION: LAST REFLECTION FOR ALL MINISTERS

(Lectors, Eucharistic Ministers, Sacristans, Homebound Ministers) Please note the last date for our Spring reflection is Thursday evening, May 1, at 7:00 p.m. This last reflection 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.

SERVICE PROJECT FOR SMALL CHRISTIAN COMMUNITIES



Turnstone is looking for a group to help a physically disabled man with rheumatoid arthritis (age 41). His needs include transportation to doctor appointments, physical chores within his home, and simple companionship and compassion. A group commitment is encouraged. Please call Betty Bubb at Turnstone 483-2100, or parishioner Cathy McLeish 485-6481.

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

YOUTH MINISTRY CALENDAR

April 20 Easter Sunday
NO LIFE TEEN MASS
April 24 Pray at Abortion Clinic
April 25 7th Grade Retreat
April 26 FaithFest: Diocesan Youth Rally
April 27 Ministry Training
LIFENIGHT: Rapp Session

LIFETEEN PLANT AND FLOWER SALE

Last year's sale went so well, we will again bring the Life House lawn to full bloom on Sunday, May 4. Proceeds will fund teens attending Notre Dame Leadership Camp this summer.



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 Life Teen Mass. Training is set for Sunday, April 27, after the Life Teen Mass.

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. 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.



JR. HIGH LIFE

All 7th and 8th graders: Plan on attending the next JHL night, "MUSIC". There will be a guest radio host and free CD's. The date is Monday, April 21st, from 7-8:30 p.m. in the Gathering Space.

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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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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
May 8	April 24
May 22	May 15

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 on Easter Sunday. 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!



FIRST COMMUNION

During the Masses on the next two weekends and at 1:30 p.m. on both Sundays, our second grade students will be making their First Holy Communion. Through the Eucharist, the children share in the Eucharistic Sacrifice which is their ongoing incorporation into the Body of Christ and the sacred meal of covenant renewal in Christ. Pray for these little ones who are preparing to come to the Table to be first time recipients of Christ's Body and Blood. May His divine grace fill and strengthen them throughout their lives.

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.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

The final four classes for Wednesday evening Religious Education will be on April 23, April 30, May 7, and May 14.

Sunday Religious Education classes will meet on April 27, May 4, May 11 and on May 17 for the final class.

VBS

Sign up for Vacation Bible School (June 16-19) will be held in the Gathering Space after the Masses on April 27 and May 4. Children from age 4 through those entering grade 4 are invited to attend.

Please consider helping out in some capacity. Stop by the registration table in the Gathering Space to volunteer. High school students as well as adults are encouraged to take part. Junior high students may assist (eighth graders for 2003-2004 may use this as a service project for Confirmation).

Laura Wright and Lisa Harris are co-chairwomen for SCUBA, our VBS program. Call Lisa at 489-7669 to register, if you cannot do so after one of the Masses on the next two weekends.



REGISTRATION FOR RELIGIOUS EDUCATION FOR 2003-2004

For children entering the 3 year old Preschool class, grade one or new students in grades two through eight who will be enrolling in Religious Education next fall, registration may be completed by phone. Please call 489-3537 ext. 235. The guidelines of the diocese stipulate that children who will receive a sacrament must complete the year of Religious Education prior to the sacramental year.



All other students presently enrolled in Religious Education will be advanced to the next grade level. Please notify the Religious Education office of intent to withdraw or of any changes in address or phone numbers.

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 \$1,710.00; for two children, \$2,700.00; and for three or more, \$3,555.00. This past year, we gave \$36,418.00 in financial assistance. Thank you very much for supporting our parish grade school.

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** (stvincenchurch@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 (willing to work "graveyard shift")	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 stvincenchurch@hotmail.com:

1. Position you are seeking (excluding qualifications)
2. Full name and phone number

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.



FAMILY ROSARY GROUP

Are you interested in getting together with other families to pray the rosary? We are currently putting together Cenacle Family Rosary Groups and will be meeting to pray the rosary each Friday, starting April 18th at 6:30 p.m. in the Spiritual Center for the next few months! We will order pizza to share for after the Rosary. A good will donation will be accepted for the pizzas and we ask that you bring a 2-liter of soda per family, and a side dish or dessert. If you want to know more, please call Rhonda Noll 489-8705. This is an excellent time to introduce saying the rosary with your family!



BRING THE FAMILY!

COUPLE TO COUPLE

Have you ever thought about what artificial methods of birth control REALLY do to your body? To your marriage? Learn about safe, effective, morally acceptable, and instantly reversible, Natural Family Planning. The next Couple-To-Couple League NFP class starts Saturday, May 3rd at the Aboite Branch of the Fort Wayne Public Library, 3:30 - 5:30 p.m. Contact Fred or Ursula Rost (260) 459-0183 or URSRO@comcast.net for registration or more information.

NATURAL FAMILY PLANNING INITIAL SESSIONS

There will be a class at St. Vincent de Paul parish in Fort Wayne on Saturday, May 3rd from 9 - 11 a.m. This class is conducted by the diocesan Office of Family Life and is open to engaged and married couples. The fee for the session is \$25.00. Registration is required. To register, call (574) 234-0687.



ATTENTION GOLFERS

The Knights of Columbus will be holding their annual golf outing on Saturday, May 31. This year's event will start with a Bar-B-Q chicken lunch at 12:30 with a shotgun start at 2:00 p.m. Cost is \$60 per player and includes lunch, golf, 1/2 cart, and range balls. The event will be held at Deer Track Golf Course and the proceeds will go to "A Hope Center of Fort Wayne." For more information or to register, call Greg Carlston at 490-4508 (H) or 492-7570 (W). All are welcome.

UPCOMING BLOOD DRIVE

The Knights of Columbus will hold a blood drive on Saturday, June 7, 2003. The blood drive will be held in the Parish Hall each time from 7:30 a.m. til 11:30 a.m. To schedule an appointment, call Bruce Cadwell at 484-0078.



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.

A TASTY WAY TO RAISE DOUGH!

Uno will donate 20% of your check

To Benefit: "Leukemia & Lymphoma Society"

Man of the Year Candidate Art Bunt

Fundraiser Date: Wednesday, April 23, 2003 from 4-9 p.m.

Valid only at: Uno Pizzeria Chicago Grill
4820 North Clinton Street

Fort Wayne
(260) 483-2222

Please present this certificate at the time of payment to have 20% of your check's value, excluding tax and tip, donated to the organization above. Not to be used with other coupons or discounts. Tickets are not to be distributed in the restaurant or within the perimeter of the parking areas.

Valid for date listed above