

MASS INTENTIONS

MONDAY, JANUARY 12TH

*6:30 a.m. Jim Keefer
8:00 a.m. Kenneth Haffner

TUESDAY, JANUARY 13TH

8:00 a.m. Elaina Tamez

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 14TH

*6:30 a.m. Agnes Lawyer
8:00 a.m. George Repka ALL MASS

THURSDAY, JANUARY 15TH

*6:30 a.m. Timothy R. Morken
8:00 a.m. Kelly Jeanne Finton

FRIDAY, JANUARY 16TH

8:00 a.m. Ellen Lindeman-Stalf

SATURDAY, JANUARY 17TH

8:00 a.m. James P Yarnell
5:00 p.m. Paul Maloney

SUNDAY, JANUARY 18TH

7:15 a.m. Fred & Mary Clements
9:00 a.m. Domic Dsouza
11:00 a.m. Phyllis McCarthy
6:00 p.m. For The Parish (LifeTeen Mass)

*CHAPEL



SERVERS' SCHEDULE

(It is YOUR responsibility to find a replacement)

Saturday, January 17

8:00 a.m. James Scully, Nick Ehlerding
5:00 p.m. Ben Woenker, Nick Brand
Carly Mirwaldt, Hana Geswein

Sunday, January 18

7:15 a.m. Amanda Amstutz, Colleen Pion
Chris Stump, Alexis Craghead
9:00 a.m. Jim Fox, Maggie Heiny
Zachary Baron, Jessica Schenkel
11:00 a.m. Steven Mcllwain, Jon Carter
Chris Garcia, Michelle Raney

NURSERY – SUNDAY, JANUARY 18

9:00 a.m. Doug and Leah Kenna



COFFEE AND DONUTS – JANUARY 18

9:00 a.m. Williams, Lotspeich and Pondel

"Let us pray that the Holy Spirit will strengthen and enlighten these couples as they prepare to take their marriage vows."

WEDDING BANNS

II David Keister and Amanda Grashoff



NEWCOMERS REGISTRATION

Parish representatives will be in the Church Conference Room TODAY, January 11, after the 9 a.m. Mass to welcome and register new members to St. Vincent's

MORE NEEDED TO PRAY AT 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. We really need volunteer prayers between the hours of 12 noon and 3 p.m. Please contact Francie McComb at 489-6716 if you would like to do this and be scheduled for a specific hour. Drop-ins are welcome.



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, January 16, at 6:00 a.m. ALL MEN ARE WELCOME!

PRAY FOR VOCATIONS

Today marks the beginning of National Vocation Awareness Week. As we celebrate the feast of the Baptism of the Lord, we are encouraged by the Word of God, "You are my beloved." Our Christian vocation empowers us to be the voice of God through our words and deeds. Whether you are married, single, a priest or a religious brother or sister, choose to make a difference. If you are discerning a vocation, help is available to guide you. During this week, pray in particular for vocations to the priesthood and religious life.

May God raise up within our own parish community, young men and women who hear the call to work in the Lord's vineyard. May parents encourage such vocations in guiding the religious formation of their own children.



BETHANY HOUSE BOOK SALE

COMING TO ST. VINCENT'S

Our parish will host a spiritual reading book sale after the Masses THIS WEEKEND, January 10-11. Spiritual reading is a long-standing Catholic practice which provides nourishment for one's faith and support for one's personal prayer. Sr. Joyce Diltz, PHJC, and volunteers will be here representing the bookstore from Bethany Retreat House, East Chicago, IN, and will be happy to help you find just the right book for your spiritual reading. The bookstore offers a wide selection of titles on prayer and meditation, spirituality, personal growth, journaling, scripture, loss and grieving, family life, and more, as well as titles for teens and children. Meditation music is also available. Be sure to stop by the East Meeting Room to see what is available.



GIVING TREE REPORT – GENEROUS SPIRIT BLESSES MANY

A genuine THANK YOU is extended to everyone that purchased gifts for the Giving Tree project! Over 850 gifts were distributed throughout the Fort Wayne community. All 30 men at the Rescue Mission received two requested gifts – one "want" and one "need". Eight young families were adopted through Whittington Homes & Services. Another seven families were adopted through Catholic Charities. Each woman and any accompanying children at the YWCA Domestic Violence program received gifts from St. Vincent's. Nearly 100 gifts were given to SCAN (Stop Child Abuse and Neglect) to take to their clients on home visits and distribute as needed. The Christ Child Society, an organization that gives layettes to needy babies going home from the hospital, received supplies to work with. Gifts were taken to Crossroads, a shelter for troubled youth, to brighten their Christmas. Sixty foster children were adopted through Children's Sanctuary Inc. and were given 3 specially requested gifts. The residents of University Park Nursing Home and Kingston Care all received a loving gift. St. Vincent parishioners continue to share Jesus' love throughout the city. Thank you!

ST. VINCENT'S — THANK YOU FOR YOUR HELP!

The Saint Vincent de Paul Society would like to thank everyone who contributed to the needy of our parish and neighboring community throughout the year and the holidays.

WOMEN'S AND MEN'S

CHRIST RENEWS HIS PARISH WEEKEND DATES

Are you looking for a way to revitalize your faith and make new friends? Sign up for the next women's and men's Christ Renews His Parish weekend, March 6 and 7 for the men and March 13 and 14 for the women. Don't miss out on this wonderful opportunity for spiritual growth and fellowship. Contact Tom Loogman 490-7158 for the men's weekend and Kathleen Makovic 490-9321 for the women's weekend.

YOUTH MINISTRY CALENDAR

January 11 Life Night: Peanuts to Push Ups
January 14 Ministry Hour
January 15 Pray at Abortion Clinic, b-r-r-r
January 18 Life Night: It's All About You

LIFETEEN SKI TRIP

We're hitting the slopes again since I lived through it last year (Black Diamond moguls and all). We're heading north on Saturday, January 31. Details and registration forms available at church, on the web site: www.saintv.org or e-mail Cindy at cblack@saintv.org.



MARCH FOR LIFE

You don't need to be in Washington to show that you believe all life is a gift from God and abortion is wrong. The Fort Wayne Rally begins at 12:00 noon at the Scottish Rite Auditorium, 431 W. Berry St. and we march at 1:00 from there to the Federal Building on Harrison Street.

LIFETEEN SPRING RETREAT DATE

Friday, March 19 – Sunday, March 21. We will begin sign up at the end of January, so watch for details.

XLT (exalt)

Our next XLT will be Friday, February 20 at 7:30 p.m. in the church. Join us for praise and worship lead by Frankie and the LIFETEEN Band, and Adoration. Everyone is encouraged to attend.

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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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SAT PREPARATION COURSE OFFERED AT BISHOP DWENGER

Bishop Dwenger High School is offering an SAT prep course on Tuesdays and Thursdays beginning on January 27, 2004 and running through March 11, 2004. Classes run from 6 - 7:30 p.m. The 14 sessions include diagnostic testing, six verbal and six math sessions. Cost is \$140 and includes the text for the course. The class is open to any high school student in the Fort Wayne area. For more information call 496-4700.

BISHOP DWENGER BAND HOSTS CHICKEN/FISH FRY

The Bishop Dwenger Band and Guard Booster Club is sponsoring an All-You-Can-Eat Ed Fox Chicken and Fish Fry on Friday, January 16, 2004 from 4:30 – 7:30 p.m. in the school cafeteria. Cost is \$6 for adults and \$4 for children ages 5 – 9. After dinner you can watch the Saints take on Wayne High School in boys' basketball.

BAGS OF BLESSINGS

Please remember to save your personal size items from hotels and ships for our Bags of Blessings Project. Last year we delivered over 300 bags to our community. Call Kelly Stanley at 637-6041 for pickup or drop off information.

MEIJER/KROGER BAG RECYCLING REMINDER

We ONLY recycle Meijer and Kroger plastic bags! Any other store's bags are thrown away, so please don't bring them to church. Also, please remember to bring in the Meijer/Kroger bags flattened (NOT wrinkled, wadded or folded). We are getting lots of bags and need your cooperation to continue the recycling program. Thank you!

Holiday Schedule

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION VACATION SCHEDULE

Sunday classes for Pre-school and grades 1 – 8 will resume TODAY, January 11, and Wednesday classes on January 14.

FIRST RECONCILIATION PREPARATION

Parents of those preparing to make their First Reconciliation in January are reminded to begin the prayer service, which includes the examination of conscience, and practice the Act of Contrition with the children. The dates for First Reconciliation are January 17 (A-L) and January 24 (M-Z).

COMMUNITY IN CHRIST: CARING

"Without a sense of caring, there can be no sense of community."
- Anthony J. D'Angelo



SCHOOL PRE-REGISTRATION

Registration for new families who will be entering St. Vincent's first grade for the 2004-2005 school year will take place on Tuesday, February 10th, from 8:00 a.m. – 10:30 a.m. in the school building. This registration is also for students entering grades 2-8 who are not currently enrolled at St. Vincent School. There will be a non-refundable pre-registration fee of \$50.00 per child due on this day. If the child was not baptized at St. Vincent de Paul Parish, a copy of the baptismal certificate needs to be presented at pre-registration. If the child did not previously attend an Allen County School, a copy of proof of immunizations is also required on this day.

DEVELOPMENT DIRECTOR SOUGHT FOR SCHOOL

We are looking for an experienced individual to lead development efforts at the school and to a lesser extent the parish. The part-time position will include alumni relations, annual and planned giving, marketing and grant writing. Requirements are a loyalty and enthusiasm for St. Vincent de Paul parish and school, good verbal and written communication skills, computer literacy and strong organizational skills. Marketing or development background is a plus. Send resume with cover letter to the church office.

CELEBRATE CATHOLIC EDUCATION

We would like to present a Celebrate Catholic Education Award to an outstanding St. Vincent graduate. We are looking for a graduate who has made a significant contribution to the Catholic Church and to the United States and is deserving of this national recognition. We will make this presentation for Catholic Schools Week. If you would like to nominate someone, please send a letter to the school office with the name and the reasons they should be nominated.

PRESCHOOL AND KINDERGARTEN OPEN HOUSE

Saint Jude Catholic School will hold an open house for their preschool and kindergarten on Sunday, January 25, 2004 from noon to 2:00 p.m. Preschool and kindergarten teachers will be present for questions. The preschool and kindergarten registration will be Thursday, February 5, 2004 at 7 p.m.



SNOW REMOVAL

The Saint Vincent's Knights of Columbus will again offer snow removal for the elderly and disabled. Please call Jim Cox II, 492-7705, for information and to register for this volunteer service.

2004 MARCH FOR LIFE

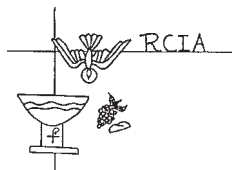
In commemoration of the 31st anniversary of the Roe vs. Wade Decision of January 22, 1973, the March for Life Committee is planning their annual Rally and March for Life on January 17, 2004. The Rally will begin at 12:00 noon in the Scottish Rite Auditorium located at 431 West Berry Street. The featured speaker is Scott Klusendorf, a guest lecturer in bio-ethics, and a trainer of pro-life advocates. The March will begin promptly at 1:00 p.m. We will march from the Scottish Rite to the Federal Building on Harrison Street. Plan now to attend and to bring your family and friends.

BISHOP D'ARCY TO CELEBRATE VIGIL FOR LIFE MASS

On January 18, there will be a Vigil for Life Mass at the Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception in Fort Wayne. Bishop D'Arcy will be the main celebrant. The Mass is at 5 p.m., with Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament immediately following. Benediction will be at 7 p.m. This will mark the 31st anniversary of the infamous Roe v. Wade Supreme Court decision.

ARE YOU WORN OUT FROM THE HOLIDAYS?

Are you tired of being cooped up, shoveling snow, traffic in a mess? Why not give yourself a weekend away from it all? Meals prepared! Time away from the pressures of work and everyday responsibilities! A chance to talk and listen to that special someone who loves you! If that sounds good to you, sign up now for a Marriage Encounter weekend. For more information, call Mike and Julia Roszkowski at (574) 243-0743 or visit our website at <http://www.wmme-ni.org>.



RCIA

If you are interested in learning more about the Catholic Church, its teachings and traditions, you may want to consider the RCIA. For those who are unbaptized and are interested in becoming Catholic, the process is longer and should be begun soon. For more information, please call the church office at 489-3537, and ask for Judy.

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

This group is a resource and support for couples struggling with infertility. Resources are available regarding information on infertility treatments, the church's teaching on these treatments, and international and domestic adoption. Also this group can be a source of emotional and spiritual support for you and your spouse. Please contact Amy Barteel 497-8257 for more information.

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.

BE AWARE: CHECK OUT THESE BROCHURES

Compliments of the Center for Nonviolence, Fort Wayne, and the Center for the Prevention of Sexual and Domestic Violence, Seattle, Washington, we have on the free pamphlet rack a brochure entitled: "What Every Congregation Should Know About Domestic Violence." You are welcome to take as many as you wish.

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!

NEEDED: NETWORK MARKETERS

For an all natural wellness company called Healing America, 426 Salem Drive, Owensboro, KY 42303. Change peoples lives physically and financially working out of your home. Contact Larry Taylor (260) 433-1804 or Mary Silva (260) 416-0507.

EPIPHANY CHORAL VESPERS

You are cordially invited to Epiphany Choral Vespers led by the Kantorei of Concordia Theological Seminary, 6600 North Clinton, Fort Wayne, at 7 p.m. in Kramer Chapel on Sunday, January 18, 2004. The Kantorei is under the direction of the Reverend Kantor Richard C. Resch. Please come and join us for this beautiful, candlelight Epiphany Service!

DANCE WITH YOUR VALENTINE

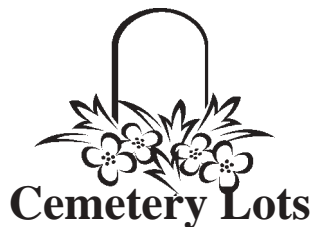
St. Louis Besancon Athletic Club is sponsoring Round and Square Dance on Saturday, February 14, 2004, from 8:30 to 11:30 p.m. The dance will be held in the Besancon Hall (4 miles east of New Haven on Old US 30. Cost is \$8 per person. Music by Breakaway.



IN-HOME CHILDCARE NEEDED

New Parishioners to the Fort Wayne area are looking for in-home childcare for our two-year old and newborn due to arrive Feb. 2004. Must be willing to work 2 – 3 days a week. No weekends. No holidays. Great Pay! Call (260) 489-1878.

Childcare needed for three-month old beginning Feb. 23rd. Preferably in my home (off Dupont between Lima and Coldwater). Half days on Monday and Friday, full days on Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday. References requested. Please call 637-2299 if interested.



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.

CEMETERY PLOTS

For sale two cemetery plots in Highland Park's Catholic section. Asking \$1,000. Contact church office.

Two spaces in St. Vincent's Garden of Highland Park Cemetery, two top seal burial vaults and two openings/closings. Please phone 637-9010 for information.

Two cemetery lots at Highland Park - \$1,000 each. Two vaults - \$500 each. Negotiable. Phone 637-5796.