

MASS INTENTIONS

MONDAY, MAY 3RD

*6:30 a.m. Boyde Brown
8:00 a.m. Helen Waikel

TUESDAY, MAY 4TH

*6:30 a.m. Phyllis Marqueling
8:00 a.m. Bernice Schuller

WEDNESDAY, MAY 5TH

*6:30 a.m. Ralph Schimmele
8:00 a.m. Charles Gladieux ALL MASS

THURSDAY, MAY 6TH

*6:30 a.m. Ian Hatch
8:00 a.m. Kelly Jeanne Finton

FIRST FRIDAY, MAY 7TH

8:00 a.m. Int. Nielson Family
*5:30 p.m. Dolores Kleber

SATURDAY, MAY 8TH

8:00 a.m. Willard Lenkendofer
5:00 p.m. John Leffers

SUNDAY, MAY 9TH

7:15 a.m. Frank & Lillian Palisieski
9:00 a.m. Matthew J. Hensler
11:00 a.m. Tom Colligan
6:00 p.m. For The Parish (Life Teen Mass)

*CHAPEL



SERVERS' SCHEDULE

(It is YOUR responsibility to find a replacement)

Saturday, May 8

8:00 a.m. Natasha Moeller, Rachel Morken
5:00 p.m. Sara VanAntwerp, Ashley Gutnecht

Sunday, May 9

7:15 a.m. Justin Ransom, Tyler Ransom
Keith Welch, Andrew Wyckoff
9:00 a.m. Robert Kleber, Olivia Norton
Annie Hunnicutt, Patrick Hunnicutt
11:00 a.m. Adam Pagryzinski, Nathan Pagryzinski
Andrea Pelkington, Alyssa Heidenreich

Let us pray that the Holy Spirit will
guide these couples as they approach
the sacrament of marriage.

WEDDING BANNES

II Joshua Rowe and Molly McAfee
I Jay Solloway and Jenny Schreck



NEWCOMERS REGISTRATION

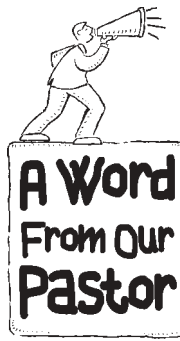
Parish representatives will be in the Church Conference Room next
Sunday, May 9th after the 9 a.m. Mass to welcome and register new
members to St. Vincent's.

2004 CATHOLIC HOME MISSIONS APPEAL
"STRENGTHENING THE CHURCH AT HOME"

Today we participate in the Catholic Home Missions Appeal. This Appeal
supports the Home Missions - areas in the United States where the
Catholic Church struggles just to keep parishes open and to educate
people in the faith. Please give generously to assist fellow Catholics here
in America.



DO YOU WANT TO BE CONFIRMED?
Anyone, high school age or older, who has
received the sacraments of Baptism and
First Communion, but not Confirmation,
for whatever reason, and would like to
be confirmed, please call the church office
489-3537.



FROM THE PASTOR

Bishop Michael Warfel, Ordinary of the Diocese of
Juneau, Alaska, will be with us next weekend
making a mission appeal on behalf of his diocese.
This will be our annual mission appeal (usually con-
ducted in the summer), and there will be a second
collection. Bishop Warfel is a good friend of Bishop
D'Arcy and has been of help to him by adminis-
tering the Sacrament of Confirmation in some parishes
of our diocese. We warmly welcome Bishop Warfel.

Next Sunday, Mother's Day, is also the annual
collection for Catholic Charities. There is a "Catholic
Charities" envelope in your monthly packet.

Scheduling two special collections on the same weekend is something I
like to avoid, but this is the best time for Bishop Warfel to make his mission
appeal. You are always generous in supporting our special collections
for the poor.

Congratulations to the children of our parish receiving their First Holy
Communion. We rejoice with them and their families.

During this month of May, the children in our parish grade school and
Religious Education Program will be participating in May Crowning cer-
emonies. Perhaps in your home life you can incorporate some Marian
devotions. You may want to place a statue or image of Mary in some
prominent place with a few flowers. Pray the rosary or a decade of the
rosary with each family member taking a turn. Conclude your mealtime
prayer by singing "Hail Mary, Full of Grace" using the hymn you know
from church. In your personal prayers, take time to meditate on Mary's
role in God's plan for our salvation, perhaps using the Scriptures or some
good spiritual reading. Whatever, take the time to honor our Blessed
Mother. Our Catholic faith teaches us to go to Jesus through Mary.
Fr. John

CATHOLIC CHARITIES ANNUAL COLLECTION

Catholic Charities will have their annual Mother's Day collection this year to
support services for children and their families. Last year, Catholic
Charities served over 12,000 people, providing a range of services
including adoption, pregnancy services, senior services, emergency
assistance, child care, refugee resettlement, immigration, Hispanic
outreach, and counseling for families. Your financial contribution will help
us continue the tradition of caring and service that has been the hallmark
of Catholic Charities.

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 SATURDAY, May 15.

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

GUIDE BOOK & DIRECTORY
ADVERTISING OPPORTUNITY

We are in the process of updating our annual
Guide Book and Directory for the Church. If
you own or manage a business and would like
to find out more about how to advertise in our
book, please call the church office at 489-3537.

Recent survey results by Guide Book Publishing show that 92.1% of fami-
lies would rather patronize our Guide Book & Directory advertisers over a
non-advertiser. It "does pay" to advertise in our Guide Book & Directory.
The Guide Book & Directory contains the Who, What, When, Where, Why,
and How of our Church. The book is provided at no cost to our Church,
including the mailing to each family, and is again being subsidized by local
businesses that advertise in it. We thank them for their continued support.



CHILDREN'S STEWARDSHIP

"No put downs." Jake L.
 "I helped people with math." Rachel S.
 "Helping my school with cans and not bringing them to make money." Lauren S.
 "I play with my dog when she wants to play." Kasey C.

Meetings of the Week

LITTLE ROCK SCRIPTURE SERIES – Monday, May 3, at 7:00 p.m. in the Spiritual Center Chapel
 DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE – Monday, May 3, at 7:00 p.m. in the Teachers Lounge
 SHEPHERDS OF CHRIST – Tuesday, May 4, at 6:30 p.m. in the Reservation Chapel
 HASA – Tuesday, May 4, at 6:30 p.m. in the Teachers Lounge
 RCIA – Tuesday, May 4, at 7:00 p.m. in the Spiritual Center
 ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT – Wednesday, May 5, at 8:00 a.m. in the Reservation Chapel
 WINGS – Wednesday, May 5, at 9:00 a.m. in the Spiritual Center
 BEREAVEMENT SESSION #4 – Wednesday, May 5, at 7:00 p.m. in the Chapel
 WINGS TOO – Thursday, May 6, at 9 a.m. in the Life House
 SCHOOL BOARD – Thursday, May 6, at 6:30 p.m. in the Teachers Lounge
 SCHOOL CARNIVAL – Friday, May 7, at 5:30 p.m.



LITTLE ROCK SCRIPTURE SERIES ON THE GOSPEL OF MARK

Marilyn Fech will lead a study of the Gospel of Mark each Monday evening from 7:00 until 8:30 p.m. on May 3 and 10. Call 489-9620

to register and get more information. Hope to see you there!

ATTENTION ROSARY SOCIETY MEMBERS

Our banquet this year will be Monday, May 3 at St. Vincent Scout Lodge at 6 p.m. Meat will be provided. Please bring a dish to share. See you there!

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 solace in a way our families and friends cannot give.

As a part of their service, St. Vincent de Paul Bereavement Ministry is holding a Bereavement Support Group Session which will meet for five weeks. It will be each Wednesday from 7 – 9 p.m.

The remaining dates are May 5, 12 and 19, 2004. These sessions will be held in the Spiritual Center.

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 with the grieving process.

If this might be helpful to you, please call Therese at 489-6741.

HARVEST HOUSE TRIP

St. Vincent's Harvest House will tour the Blue River Nursery on Hartman Road (map will be furnished) on May 17th. We will meet at church about 9:30 a.m. and carpool. The tour is at 10:30 a.m.. We will probably have lunch at Hilger's after the tour. RSVP by May 10th to 482-2085 or 483-7252.



PARENTS OF SMALL CHILDREN – NURSERY CLOSED

Due to transition, the parish nursery with supervision will be closed until further notice. However, the church nursery is available for parents supervising their own children.

YOUTH MINISTRY CALENDAR

May 2 Senior Night, ALL teens come
 May 5 Ministry Hour, 7:15
 May 6 Pray at abortion clinic, 7 a.m.
 May 9 Life Night: May Crowning



CLASS OF '04

You are invited to a Life Night to honor you on Sunday, May 2, after the Life Teen Mass. We would love to have ALL graduating seniors and their parents join us for this special night.



LIFETEEN will be in FULL BLOOM

This weekend, May 1 and 2, following all Masses for our Plant and Flower Sale. GREAT MOTHER'S DAY GIFTS!! Money raised will help send teens to Leadership Camp this summer. Teens who have gone in the past have learned much about the Catholic faith and have grown to lead their peers in faith as well.

LIFETEEN LUNCH-BUNCH

Cindy would love to come have lunch with you at your school. I just need to know what time you eat and where to meet you, so get with me so we can set a day. We enjoyed pizza with Joe Trout, Lindsay Klinker, Courtney Hague, Blair Jones, Julia Dunkelberger and Kali Genos. Thank you, Joe, for inviting me.

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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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RELIGIOUS EDUCATION YEAR-END CALENDAR

Wednesday, May 5 (May Crowning)
 Wednesday, May 12 (last class)

Sunday, May 2
 Sunday, May 9 (May Crowning)
 Sunday, May 16 (last class)

Those children in Religious Education who received their First Communion will have both group and individual pictures taken after May Crowning on Wednesday, May 5, and Sunday, May 9. The children are to come dressed in their First Communion clothing and will be able to leave after they have had their pictures taken.

CATECHISTS IN DEMAND

Next year a number of catechists will not be returning to the Religious Education program. Consider becoming a Sunday morning Preschool catechist or a Sunday afternoon or Wednesday evening catechist, grades 1-8. Sunday morning classes of 3, 4 and 5 year olds meet during the 9:00 and 11:00 a.m. Masses. Sunday afternoon Religious Education begins at 4:00 p.m. and Wednesday will begin at 6:00 p.m. (Please note this change in starting time for Wednesdays next year.)

Pray about your possible involvement in the Religious Education program. We need those who have a deep love of God, the faith, and children and want to share their love of the Father with our young people. Call Beth at 489-3537, ext. 204 with questions or to sign up.



FOUND IN THE GATHERING SPACE

An envelope containing 4 black and white family pictures was found in the gathering space within the past few weeks. Call the church office to claim – 489-3537.

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL REGISTRATION

Registration for Vacation Bible School will be the following Sundays after the 9 and 11 a.m. Masses: May 2nd and May 16th. The registration fee is \$10 per child and will be limited to the first 200 children that sign up. If you are unable to register at these times, please pick up a registration form at the church office. We need volunteers to donate food items and to volunteer their time to help during the week. If you have any questions, please call Lisa Harris at 489-7669.



RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION FOR CHILDREN (RCIC)

If your child is over the age of eight years old and not baptized or baptized in another faith and interested in the Catholic faith, please contact Lisa Harris at 489-3537. We welcome inquiries about the program year-round. If your child is over the age of eight and baptized Catholic but in need of the sacraments of First Communion and/or Confirmation, we are enrolling now for next year's program that will start in September.

YOUNG ADULT LIFE (21-40 Married/Single)



CORE TEAM MEETING

The core team will be meeting at the Cappuccino Connection on May 6 at 7 p.m. Come help and plan events for the Young Adult Life group. New members are always welcome. Contact Jeff and Michelle Henry at 490-9178 for more information.

Y.A.C.H.T. CLUB

(Young Adult Catholics Hanging Together) will meet May 11 and May 25 at 7:15 p.m. in the Life House. Come and enjoy a bible study and faith sharing evening with other adults from the ages of 21-40, single, married and divorced. Contact Jeff and Michelle Henry at youngadultlife@comcast.net if you need more information or a babysitter.

BREAKFAST WITH THE BISHOP

The Bishop will be having a breakfast with the Young Adults on May 8 at St. Charles. For more information contact StCharles1840@hotmail.com.

THEOLOGY ON TAP

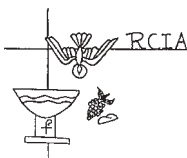
7:00 p.m. at Bandido's in Georgetown on May 10. The scheduled speaker is Fr. Dom Carboneau.

VOLLEYBALL

Come and enjoy an evening of volleyball with St. Charles and St. Jude from 7 to 9 p.m. at St. Charles on May 2 and May 16.

COFFEE HOUSE PERFORMANCE

Calling all performers, would you like to read some poetry, share a talent, or do you have a group that would like to perform at a coffee house? We will be sponsoring a Coffee House evening at the Cappuccino Connection on May 21. For more information contact Jeff and Michelle Henry at 490-9178 or youngadultlife@comcast.net.



RCIA

If you or someone you know would like to know more about the Catholic faith, its teachings and traditions, please call the church office at 489-3537. RCIA is an on-going process and an Inquirer can begin at any time.

P.M. WINGS – IN ORGANIZING STAGE NOW!

Have you wanted to join a group like WINGS but were unable to attend meetings during the day? Here's the opportunity you've been waiting for! Currently, we are exploring the possibility of an evening version of "Women In God's Service" that will begin in the fall. This group will be based on the successful format of WINGS and WINGS II, with the intention of nurturing Christian fellowship among women of the parish through faith-sharing and prayer. If you are interested in joining and/or would like to help with planning, please call Julie Fox at 489-0111.

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. 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 (East Meeting Room)

May 13 May 27
June 10 June 24

Session II (Church Conference Room)

May 20 June 17

RE-MEMBERING CHURCH

Want to explore the faith journey? Want to remember your Catholic heritage? Want to re-member with the Church? Plan to attend Thursday evening sessions for catechesis and discussion about Catholicism. Father Joe and Marilyn Fech will host six Thursday evening sessions ending May 27th. Sessions run 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 Marilyn Fech at 489-9620 or the church office at 489-3537 if you have questions about these Re-Membering Church sessions.

GROUND ZERO SPEAKER

The St. Vincent Men's Club is proud to present John Nolan, a Red Cross volunteer at Ground Zero. He will be talking about his experiences after 9/11 at the Ground Zero rescue and clean up. John will be at our meeting on May 10, 2004 at the Scout Lodge at 8 p.m. This is open to all parishioners and their families of St. Vincent's. If you are interested in attending, please reserve your seats by calling Todd Martin at 637-9718.

CELEBRATE PENTECOST!

Come join us for a Life in the Spirit Retreat on May 22nd in the Spiritual Center from 8:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. Lunch provided. All are welcome!

1965 CLASS REUNION

Central Catholic High School class of '65 will have a 40th Class Reunion meeting on Thursday, May 6 at 4 p.m. The meeting will be held at Fire Station #4 located at 4100 Lahmeyer Road. For more information contact Su (Gerardot) Hohman, 485-9115 or by e-mail richandsu@msn.com.

SUMMER BABYSITTER

Female 22 year old recent IU graduate is available for DAILY BABYSITTING during the summer. Available May 10 through July 30, Monday through Friday. I am Red Cross certified in babysitting, CPR, and lifeguarding. Love watching children of any age. I have my own dependable transportation. Call 414-8205.

THE MS WALK

The St. Vincent community is invited to participate in the MS Walk on Saturday, May 15, at Headwaters Park. Registration begins at 8 a.m. and the Walk starts at 9 a.m. For questions or to make a pledge, call Peg at 637-0392.

NATURAL FAMILY PLANNING SESSIONS

The following Natural Family Planning Initial Sessions are scheduled for May 2004:

Tuesday, May 11th, at St. Jude's, Fort Wayne, from 7-9 p.m.

Saturday, May 15th, at St. Vincent's, Fort Wayne, from 10 – 12 noon.

Wednesday, May 19th, at Christ the King, South Bend, from 7-9 p.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. Registration is required. To register, call 574-234-0687 or contact the church office for a registration form.

CARING FOR YOUR AGING PARENTS

Are you dealing with an elderly parent and being forced to make difficult decisions regarding living arrangements and health care? A book has been written by Monica and Bill Dodds entitled "Caring For Your Aging Parent – A Guide For Catholic Families". The authors deal with these issues and more. If you are interested in a copy, please call Deb Andrews at 489-3537.