

MASS INTENTIONS

MONDAY, MAY 8TH

- *6:30 a.m. Leonard A. Bauer
- 8:00 a.m. Anthony & Martha Steininger

TUESDAY, MAY 9TH

- *6:30 a.m. Kathryn Huffman
- 8:00 a.m. Int. Nick & Ann Gray (14th anniv.)

WEDNESDAY, MAY 10TH

- *6:30 a.m. Kathleen Bireley
- 8:00 a.m. Maria Caballero **ALL MASS**

THURSDAY, MAY 11TH

- *6:30 a.m. Edward Hiatt
- 8:00 a.m. Dorothy Palmer

FRIDAY, MAY 12TH

- 8:00 a.m. Catherine Veerkamp
- *5:30 p.m. Gerald Gavin

SATURDAY, MAY 13TH

- 8:00 a.m. Garet Byrd
- 5:00 p.m. Adrian & Charlene Hartman (50th anniv.)

SUNDAY, MAY 14TH

- 7:15 a.m. Special Intention for Stone Family
- 9:00 a.m. In Thanksgiving for Ponte Family
- 11:00 a.m. George Zych
- 6:00 p.m. For The Parish (Life Teen Mass)

*CHAPEL



SERVERS' SCHEDULE

(It is YOUR responsibility to find a replacement)

Saturday, May 13

- 8:00 a.m. Justin Wyss, Valerie Wyss
- 5:00 p.m. Colleen Witte, Alexa Litchfield

Sunday, May 14

- 7:15 a.m. Trevor Campbell, Victor Okendu
Sarah Thill, Emily Tomlinson
- 9:00 a.m. Erinn Wright, Max Roesler
Hannah Wright, Michael Yoder
- 11:00 a.m. Adam Pagryzinski, Nathan Pagryzinski
Briana Parent, Olivia Fawcett

WEDDING BANS

"Let us pray that our brothers and sisters in Christ, who are preparing for the sacrament of marriage, will be lead by the Holy Spirit."

- III Brock Levin and Stephanie Violette
- II Matthew Gladieux and Katie Morris
- II Luke Sullivan and Ann Henry
- I Ben Orr and Kelly Crandall



ATTENTION: EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS

Schedules are ready and can be picked up in the ministers' sacristy.

EUCHARISTIC ADORATION

On Wednesday, May 10, we will have Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament in the church following the 8:00 a.m. Mass and concluding at 4:00 p.m. The grade school children will be present for periods of adoration until the closing of their school day. The regularly scheduled adorers are expected to honor their scheduled time. All parishioners are invited to spend time in our Lord's presence.

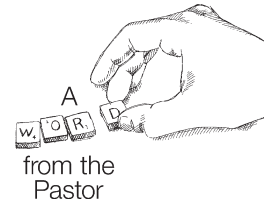


SUPPORT OUR PARISH MISSION TEAM

The St. Vincent Good Samaritan mission team will be leaving for Mississippi on May 14 to aid Hurricane Katrina victims in rebuilding their homes. A donation box is in the gathering space today for anyone that would like to financially support our mission with cash or a check made out to St. Vincent's. Any gifts received will be used to purchase gift cards at home improvement stores to be distributed to those in need. Please pray for a safe and productive trip.

FROM THE PASTOR

Nine parishioners will be traveling to Biloxi, Mississippi, for a Good Samaritan mission trip. They will be gone from May 14-20, and will assist the victims of Hurricane Katrina while staying at a Catholic Retreat House. Vicki Welch is coordinating this work of mercy. Our youth group is planning a similar mission trip for June of this year. We pledge to both of these groups our prayers and support.



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Randy and Julie Young were recently honored by the University of Notre Dame Alumni Association at an April 28, 2006, event with the Family Exemplar Award. Their dedication to Catholic scouting was acknowledged along with their commitment to improving the lives of children and families. Congratulations, Randy and Julie.

Fr. John

2006 CATHOLIC HOME MISSIONS APPEALS

Today's collection is the Catholic Home Missions Appeal. This Appeal supports the Home Missions: places in the United States where the Catholic Church struggles just to keep parishes open and to educate children in the faith. Some dioceses are terribly short of priests, sisters, and the money needed to run parishes. For example, there are only 70 priests in the whole state of Utah, 57 in Idaho, and 45 in Wyoming. Please give generously to help your fellow Catholics here in America.

CATHOLIC CHARITIES MOTHER'S DAY COLLECTION

Next weekend, 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 16,000 people, providing a range of services including adoption, pregnancy services, senior services, emergency assistance, child care, refugee settlement, immigration, medical translation, food pantry, R.S.V.P., 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.

FREDERIC OZANAM STAINED GLASS WINDOW

It would be appropriate to honor the founder of the St. Vincent de Paul Society, Frederic Ozanam, by dedicating to him our remaining church alcove that is without a stained glass window. This alcove is located near the choir room.

Frederic Ozanam was a married man and a lawyer by profession. He has been declared "blessed" by the Church because of his exemplary Christian life, particularly his love for the poor. He founded the society in 1833.

The center window will have his image on stained glass flanked by the other two windows with designs yet to be decided. If you would like to contribute toward the windows in this alcove, please call the church office.

PRAY THE ROSARY

During the month of May we honor the holy Mother of Our Savior, Jesus Christ. Pray the rosary with your family and ask Mary to draw you closer to Jesus as you meditate on His life. A parishioner has donated rosary CD's which are free and available in the Gathering Space.

GUIDE BOOK & DIRECTORY ADVERTISING OPPORTUNITY

We are in the process of updating our annual Guide Book & Directory for the church. The book 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 again is being subsidized by local businesses that advertise in it. If you own or manage a business and would like to find out how to advertise in our book, please call the church office.

Recent survey results by Guide Book Publishing show that 92.1% of families would rather patronize our Guide Book & Directory advertisers over a non-advertiser. It "does pay" to advertise in our Guide Book & Directory.

NEWCOMERS' REGISTRATION

Parish representatives will be in the Church Conference Room next Sunday, May 14, after the 9 a.m. Mass to welcome and register new members to St. Vincent's.

Meetings of the Week

MEN'S CLUB – Monday, May 8, at 8:00 p.m. in the Scout Lodge
 WINGS 3 – Monday, May 8, at 7:00 a.m. in the Community Room
 SHEPHERDS OF CHRIST – Tuesday, May 9, at 6:30 p.m. in the
 Reservation Chapel
 RCIA – Tuesday, May 9, at 6:45 p.m. in the Spiritual Center
 A.D.O.P.T. - Tuesday, May 9, at 7:00 p.m. in the Nursery
 FINANCIAL FREEDOM – Tuesday, May 9, at 7:00 p.m. in the East
 Room
 ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT – Wednesday, May
 10, at 8:00 a.m. in the Church
 WINGS – Wednesday, May 10, at 9:00 a.m. in the Spiritual Center,
 East Room and Nursery
 KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS OPEN HOUSE – Wednesday, May 10, at
 7:00 p.m. in the Community Room
 PASTORAL COUNCIL – Wednesday, May 10, at 7:00 p.m. in the
 Church Conference Room
 WINGS II – Thursday, May 11, at 9:00 a.m. in the Community Room
 MARKET DAY PICKUP – Thursday, May 11, at 5:15 p.m. in the Parish
 Hall
 BAPTISMAL PREPARATION I – Thursday, May 11, at 7:00 p.m. in the
 East Room
 BEREAVEMENT SUPPORT – Thursday, May 11, at 7:00 p.m. in the
 Chapel
 RE-MEMBERING CHURCH – Thursday, May 11, at 7:00 p.m. in the
 Convent Back Room
 DIVORCED CATHOLIC SUPPORT GROUP – Thursday, May 11, at
 7:00 p.m. in the Community Room
 KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS BLOOD DRIVE – Saturday, May 13, at
 7:30 a.m. in the Parish Hall
 ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT – Sunday, May 14, at
 12:00 p.m. in the Reservation Chapel
 REKINDLE THE FIRE - Sunday, May 14, at 7:00 p.m. in the Parish Hall

ATTENTION: ALL MEN'S CLUB MEMBERS

★ EXTRA! EXTRA! ★
Men's News

Monday, May 8th, will be the last meeting for this school year. Please plan on attending. The meeting is in the Scout Lodge at 8:00 p.m.

A.D.O.P.T. (ALWAYS DEPENDING ON (GOD'S) PLAN TOGETHER)

... is a community of families that share in an adoption experience. This group will meet once a month to celebrate the gift of life through adoption. This group will provide an environment for parents and children to interact, share experiences and celebrate the families God has given us. This group will also be a resource and network to couples contemplating adoption. Our next meeting will be May 9 at 7:00 p.m. in the Nursery. Please contact Amy Barteo at 338-1259 for more information.

DIVORCED CATHOLIC SUPPORT GROUP

Our final get-together before summer will be a Potluck on Thursday, May 11, at 7:00 p.m. in the Spiritual Center. The parish will provide meat, condiments and beverages. You are asked to bring a salad, vegetable or dessert. We'll be evaluating this past year and discussing our plans for the future. For more information, call the church office at 489-3537.

RE-MEMBERING CHURCH

Re-Membering Church at our St. Vincent parish is for inactive Catholics who are interested in exploring a return to active participation in the church, but it can also help active Catholics remember the roots of their faith.

Come join us in the convent house meeting room at 7:00 p.m. on Thursdays during this Easter Season for our Re-Membering sessions focusing on the Catholic Mass. We will have a 30-minute presentation focused on a particular aspect of the Mass followed by time for discussion and questions about the material presented. May 11 – History of the Mass; May 18 – Participation in the Mass; May 25 – Finding Christ. We will even have time to explore other questions you may have about the church. Call Tim Werling at 484-0067 or the church office at 489-3537 if you have questions about Re-Membering Church.

CHILDREN'S STEWARDSHIP

"Helping my dad plant 2 trees for Arbor Day." Danielle S.
 "I prayed for someone I met who is very sick." Abigail L.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION NEWS

CLASSES END

Wednesday, May 10, is the last class for all RE students. At 6:15 in the church, we will have May Crowning attended by all students, followed by the second graders having their pictures taken in their First Communion attire. They will be dismissed from church after pictures.

Sunday classes meet May 7 and 14. May Crowning will be held in the church at 4:15 p.m. on May 14 for all RE students, followed by pictures for the second graders in their First Communion attire. After photos have been taken, the children will be dismissed.

CATECHISTS DINNER INVITATION

All catechists are invited to Mass on May 17, at 6:30 p.m. followed by an appreciation dinner in the Spiritual Center.



VBS COMING IN JUNE

St. Patrick and the Holy Trinity is the theme for VBS on June 12-16 at 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. for children 4 years of age through grade 5. We will again have a Thursday night program, an Ice Cream Social, family picnic and new attractions. The cost for the week is \$10 per child, with a \$30 maximum per family. T-shirts will be available. Registration will take place after all Masses during the weekends of May 21 and 28.

VBS ADULT VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

Coordinators are needed for several of the activities we have planned. VBS is a total VOLUNTEER event, and without YOU we cannot run the program. Childcare will be provided for children ages 1-3 for all volunteers. Please contact Angie 486-9852 or email Angieharber@aol.com if you could help.

VBS STUDENT VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

Those of you in grades 6, 7 and 8, we need you to help with the children who will be attending VBS. (Students who will be in eighth grade, helping at VBS will count toward your service projects for Confirmation.) If you are interested, call Cindy Parlin 489-9553.

CELEBRATE ST. VINCENT

Come join old and new friends to celebrate St. Vincent's School on Saturday, May 20. The evening includes cocktails, a catered sit down dinner, entertainment, the opportunity to participate in the Giving Tree, and concludes with a raffle drawing. Gather a table of your friends or allow us to seat you with new friends. Contact Mary Kinniry at 338-0055 with questions. It's an evening you don't want to miss! Send in your RSVP today!

Babysitting an issue? Life Teen will be hosting a Parent's Night Out at the Life House during Celebrate St. Vincent's. Contact Carrie Connolly at 417-2731 to reserve a fun filled evening for your children with their favorite Life Teens!

SCHOOL PARENTS: INTERNET SAFETY

Internet safety is important if your children are using the Web in your home. Come to a meeting presented by Greg Miller from Infraguard in the Activity Center on Monday, May 8, from 7 to 8:30 p.m. We strongly recommend that this be for adults only. There will be some discussion and some graphics not appropriate for children.

ST. VINCENT'S SPEED AND AGILITY TRAINING CAMP REGISTRATION

The St. Vincent's Speed and Agility Training Camp for St. Vincent's youth grades 5-8 begins on July 11th – July 27th. The camp runs on Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday for three weeks from 5:30 to 7:20 in the St. Vincent Activity Center. Early registration is \$40. Call Steve Fiacable at 385-6800 for more information. Registration forms are available in the school office and the weekly menu.

YOUTH MINISTRY

May 7 Senior Night
May 9 H.O.M.E. Girls
May 10 Ministry Hour, 7:30 p.m.
May 11 Pray at Abortion clinic, 7:00 a.m.
May 20 Kids' Night Out at the Life House
Carroll After Prom, 10:30 p.m.



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For information about St. Vincent Youth Ministry, contact
Cindy Black at 637-7445 or Cblack@SaintV.org.
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THESE MEN CALLED KNIGHTS

Would you like to learn more about the Knights of Columbus? Men (and ladies) of our parish are invited to attend a one hour introduction/overview of this popular men's organization. The session will be held Wednesday, May 10, at 7:00 p.m. in the Spiritual Center. Spouses are welcome to attend as well. Please make reservations with Ray Ohlman at 637-5377 to assist with the planning of refreshments. We hope to see you there!

K OF C GOLF OUTING

St. Vincent's Knights of Columbus annual golf outing is scheduled for Saturday, May 20. Proceeds from this event are used to support "A Hope Center" of Fort Wayne. The cost of this year's event is \$65 per player which includes lunch, golf w/ cart, range balls, beverages and prizes. For more information and to register your team or yourself, please call Greg Carlston at 492-7570 (W) or 490-4508 (H).

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

St. Vincent de Paul Store is looking for volunteers to cashier Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday. Call 456-3561.

RED CROSS BLOOD DRIVE AT ST. VINCENTS

Every two seconds, someone in America needs blood. In fact, there's a 97% chance that someone you know will require a blood transfusion in his or her lifetime. What greater gift can you give than the gift of life?

Please help by donating this life-giving gift of blood at the American Red Cross Blood Drive here at St. Vincent's on Saturday, May 13, 2006, in the Parish Hall (old gym). Donation hours are from 7:30 to 11:30 a.m. (The date for the next blood drive has not been set, but it will be at the end of September or early October, 2006.)

At this time, with summer quickly approaching, there is a great need for all types of blood. Giving blood is safe, easy and extremely important! If you are at least 17 years old, weigh a minimum of 110 pounds, and you are in good general health, you are most likely eligible to donate blood. It is recommended that you eat a light meal before you donate and drink plenty of fluids before and after. This will help those that feel light-headed after donating. If you've been deferred due to low iron, taking a multi-vitamin for a few days prior to the blood drive will ensure that you will be able to donate. Blood donation takes less than one hour - the actual blood collection takes only 8-10 minutes. Walk-ins are welcome, but appointments will have priority. Also, childcare will be provided to make donating more convenient.

Call Bruce Cadwell at 484-0078 to schedule your donation (or if you have any questions). Don't forget to make an appointment and mark this important date on your calendar! Thank You!

FORT WAYNE WALKS ONE MILLION MILES

The top five step reports for the first week of FWW1MM from our group at St. Vincent de Paul Church are: Connie Dailey, Kathy Moran, Dianne Woehnker, Gerald Voirol and Kris Giant. Congratulations to all of you. Thank you for your efforts to lead us.

SUMMER CHILDCARE

Available in my home or yours starting May 15th. The opening is for full or part-time children of any age. If interested, please call Kristina at 486-0558.

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