

MASS INTENTIONS

MONDAY, MARCH 5TH

*6:30 a.m. Charles Vought
8:00 a.m. Jill Stark

TUESDAY, MARCH 6TH

*6:30 a.m. Luretta Nash
8:00 a.m. Larry Givens

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 7TH

*6:30 a.m. Marcella Greter
8:00 a.m. Ralph Schimmele

THURSDAY, MARCH 8TH

*6:30 a.m. Mick Ryan
8:00 a.m. James Yarnette

FRIDAY, MARCH 9TH

8:00 a.m. Tony Theriot
*5:30 p.m. Margaret Mitchell

SATURDAY, MARCH 10TH

8:00 a.m. Victoria Herrero
5:00 p.m. Liv. & Dec. Arnold Family

SUNDAY, MARCH 11TH

7:15 a.m. Frank Potosky Sr.
9:00 a.m. Deb Farmer
11:00 a.m. Shaun Allaire
12:45 p.m. Int. Jean Madigan
6:00 p.m. For The Parish (Life Teen Mass)

*CHAPEL

SERVERS' SCHEDULE

(It is YOUR responsibility to find a replacement)

Saturday, March 10

8:00 a.m. **TEAM 17:** Andrew Smith,
Amy Royal
5:00 p.m. **TEAM 13:** Sean Meehan,
Dillon Oswald

Stevens

Sunday, March 11

7:15 a.m. **TEAM 14:** Will Voors, Allison Coffin
Kenny Gase
9:00 a.m. **TEAM 5:** Dan Koehl,
Matthew Melchi

11:00 a.m. **TEAM 4:** Joe Fox, Sarah Coffee
Lindsay Kemper

Barton

12:45 p.m. **TEAM 12:** Jessica Viduya,
Alixandra Ball

Giant

COFFEE & DONUTS

March 11 Cuellar Family
March 18 Volunteers Needed
March 25 Volunteers Needed

NEWCOMERS' REGISTRATION

Parish representatives will be in the Church Conference Room next Sunday, March 11, after the 9:00 a.m. Mass to welcome and register new members to St. Vincent's.

RCIA AND LENT

At next Sunday's 9:00 Mass, our Catechumens (now called the Elect) will be going through the First Scrutiny. The story of the Woman at the Well is the gospel and they, as well as we, are challenged to search our hearts and identify those sins that keep us from a deeper relationship with Christ.

ATTENTION ALL EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF THE EUCHARIST,



LECTORS, SACRISTANS, AND HOMEBOUND

MINISTERS:

As part of your continuing ministry, it is very important that you attend one evening or morning of reflection annually to renew your commitment and love of the Holy Eucharist. The next reflection is Monday, March 5, at 7:00 p.m. in the Spiritual Center.

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.

WELLS OF HOPE

PRAYER INTENTIONS FOR MARCH

- For those parishioners called to make home visits, that they would let the Holy Spirit guide them to be the human face of Christ to those who are searching.
- For fallen away Catholics, that their hearts would be open to listen and to respond to God's call.

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. Join Marilyn Fech and Tim Werling during this Lenten season for catechesis sessions covering the Mass. Sessions are on Thursday evenings during Lent (March 8, 15, 22 and 29) from 7:00 - 8:30 p.m. in the nursery. Session topics are: March 8 - An exchange of love with Christ; March 15 - History of the Mass; March 22 - Participation in the Mass; March 29 - Finding Christ. Your questions will direct the sessions, too. Also consider attending Thursday evening sessions during the Easter Season for catechesis and discussion about Catholicism. Call Tim Werling 484-0067 or the church office 489-3537 if you have questions about these Re-membering Church sessions.

OPERATION RICE BOWL

On Ash Wednesday, our parish began Operation Rice Bowl. Sponsored by Catholic Relief Services, this six-week Lenten program helps us to be one with our brothers and sisters in our own diocese as well as other countries in the world through prayer, fasting, activities and almsgiving. Please take home a Rice Bowl and participate during this Lenten Season.

ST. VINCENT'S LIFE TEEN PROGRAM

We are very blessed at St. Vincent's to have a strong Life Teen program—a program that helps our teens embrace their Catholic Faith and deal with a lot of the world's issues. Countless teens have attended and benefited from the two annual Life Teen retreats. These retreats are open to all and the fee of \$90 is far less than the actual cost of the retreat, and no teen is ever turned away because of cost. We are asking if anyone would like to sponsor a teen on retreat to please put your donation in an envelope marked Life Teen and put it in the Sunday collection basket. Thank you very much for your continued support of our Youth



Programs. Tracy Sines

ELECTRONIC CONTRIBUTION

is an automatic transfer program which allows you to make regular contributions to the Church without writing checks or giving cash. It saves you time, work and simplifies your life. However, persons who give electronically are urged to continue to drop the empty collection envelopes in the Sunday basket as a sign of their commitment to stewardship. If you would like more information on Electronic Giving, please call the church office.

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

For PEACE in our country! *“When My people humble themselves and seek My presence, I will revive their land.”* (2 Ch 7:14)

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 a plant. We will remember the deceased at our Easter Masses. Place the money or check in an envelope along with the form below: *(Please print clearly)*

Name of Loved One:

Your Name:

Your Address:

Your Phone Number:

Donation: \$

Meetings of the Week

MINISTERS’ REFLECTION – Monday, March 5, at 7:00 p.m. in the Spiritual Center

TWO BY TWO BIBLE STUDY – Tuesday, March 6, at 8:30 a.m. in the East Room

LIGHT WEIGH – Tuesday, March 6, at 9:00 a.m. in Community Room B

SHEPHERDS OF CHRIST – Tuesday, March 6, at 6:30 p.m. in the Reservation Chapel

RCIA – Tuesday, March 6, at 6:45 p.m. in the Spiritual Center

FINANCIAL PLANNING ORIENTATION – Tuesday, March 6, at 7:00 p.m. in the East Room

ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT – Wednesday, March 7, from 8:00 – 7:00 p.m. in the Reservation Chapel

WINGS – Wednesday, March 7, at 9:00 a.m. in the Spiritual Center, East Room and Nursery

SCHOOL BOARD – Wednesday, March 7, at 6:30 p.m. in the Activity Center Room

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS – Wednesday, March 7, at 7:00 p.m. in the Spiritual Center

WINGS II – Thursday, March 8, at 9:00 a.m. in the Community Room

WINGS 3 – Thursday, March 8, at 7:00 p.m. in Community Room B

DIVORCED CATHOLIC SUPPORT GROUP – Thursday, March 8, at 7:00 p.m. in Community



Room A
BAPTISMAL PREPARATION I – Thursday, March 8, at 7:00 p.m. in the East Room
RE-MEMBERING CHURCH – Thursday, March 8, at 7:00 p.m. in the Nursery
LENTEN DAY OF RECOLLECTION – Saturday, March 10, at 10:00 a.m. in the Spiritual Center
ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT – Sunday, March 11 from 12:00 – 6:00 p.m. in the Reservation Chapel
REKINDLE THE FIRE – Sunday, March 11, at 7:00 p.m. in the Parish Hall



REKINDLE THE FIRE

Purgatory, where does it say that in the bible? Parishioners Chad Watson and Phil Reith will present the church’s teaching about purgatory. Join us for prayer, catechesis and faith sharing on Sunday, March 4, 7:00 – 9:30 p.m. in the Parish Hall. We welcome all men of the parish.



ROSARY SOCIETY MEETING

is changed from March 5 to March 12 in the East Room at 7:00 p.m.

DIVORCED CATHOLIC SUPPORT GROUP

Come join us Thursday, March 8, at 7:00 p.m. in the Spiritual Center. Dian Sullivan, LCSW, will be speaking with us about stress, especially as it relates to post divorce. For more information, please call the church office 489-3537.



Mother-Daughter Dinner

THE SEVEN LAST WORDS OF CHRIST

You are invited on a spiritual journey to the Cross—a Lenten Day of Recollection entitled, “The Seven Last Words of Christ”, will be presented by Bob Deck, a secular Franciscan, in the Spiritual Center at St. Vincent’s on March 10, from 10:00 to 3:00 p.m. Lunch will be potluck style. When you register, you will be given your preference of what to bring for the meal. There will be a freewill offering to cover the cost of materials. Deadline for registration is March 9. To register, call Bob Deck 490-9571. Please bring your Bible and a pen or pencil.

ST. VINCENT’S SCOUTS FISH FRY

All you can eat – 3 Fridays: March 16, 23 and 30. Serving 5:00 – 8:00 p.m. in the school cafeteria. Carry-outs available. Adult presale ticket \$6; at the door \$7.50, children 6-11 years \$3.

LOST AND FOUND

If you lost your purse, please call the church office 489-3537.

YOUTH MINISTRY CALENDAR

March 4 LIFE NIGHT – “The Life Night Show”
 March 7 Ministry Hour, 7:30 p.m.
 March 8 Pray at Abortion clinic, 7:00 a.m.
 March 11 LIFE NIGHT – “Lectio Divinia” (Matt Coonan)

LENT, MASS AND BREAKFAST

Teens, don’t forget to join us for Mass on the Tuesday mornings of Lent (so that’s this Tuesday) at 6:30 a.m. in the Chapel and join us afterwards in the Life House for a yummy breakfast before school. So set your alarms a little earlier and join us!

ATTENTION: TEENS

About a month ago we had a young man from Notre Dame come talk about a summer conference being held on the ND campus this summer called ND Vision. I would like to find out how many of you are interested. We get a discount if you register by March 19. Please let a core member know if you are interested.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION NEWS

SPRING RETREAT

Our Spring Retreat this year is called "God is Forever". It will take place March 23-25. Forms are now available after Mass tonight. Invite all of your friends on what we know will be another incredible, faith-building experience!

MOTHER-DAUGHTER DINNER & GATHERING



Sunday, March 18, 3:30 - 6:00 p.m. in the Spiritual Center. Open to all young ladies from 5th grade and older, as well as their mothers or another female guardian (grandmother, aunt, godmother, etc.). The registration cost is \$20 per mother-daughter couple and \$5 for each additional daughter. This includes a sit-down dinner (served by some of the Life Teen young men), a speaker and other activities. Please register with Jackie Oberhausen by March 12 at 486-2302 or jotkc@aol.com.



For information about St. Vincent Youth Ministry, contact Tracy Sines at 338-1263 or Tracy 1892@aol.com.



COLLEGE SCHOLARSHIP AVAILABLE

The University of Saint Francis has announced a brand new scholarship for students who will be attending the university in the 2007-2008 academic year. A scholarship of up to \$3,500 per year is available to students who have attended Catholic school in Allen County (students must be full-time undergraduates without a prior bachelor's degree). Please contact the University of Saint Francis Office of Financial Aid 434-3283 or visit www.sf.edu/financialaid/ for your scholarship application.

DIOCESAN YOUNG ADULT RETREAT

Young adults, (ages 18-40), join us for the Bishop's Retreat for college students and young adults March 23-25, at Oakwood Inn, Syracuse, IN. Theme: "Behold the Face of Christ; Live in the Heart of Christ". Presenters: Fr. Larry Kramer and Fr. Manual Evangelista. All meals included. \$65 until March 10; \$85 after March 10. Registration or questions, call Campus/Young Adult Ministry at 483-3661 or email cyonkman@fw.diocesefwsb.org.

MARKET DAY - FREE PANCAKES

Don't forget to check out the coupons located in the back of your Market Day product guide. Market Day will be giving away a box of mini banana pancakes free with any size order in March. In addition, March continues the frequent buyer promo. To qualify for a free large insulated Market Day bag, you have to purchase at least \$35 in two

of three months (February, March, April) and an additional \$35 in May. Forms can be returned to the church or school offices by March 7 or filed on the internet by March 10 at www.marketday.com. The next pick-up date is March 15. If pick-up time is a problem, don't hesitate to call me. Any questions, call Eva Vandeputte 490-9329.

CHILDREN'S STEWARDSHIP

"Did my reading without being told." Amelia S.
"Stations of the Cross." Isabelle S.
"Apologized to my friend." Nathanael F.

MARCH SCHEDULE

Wednesday classes meet March 7, 14, 21, 28. Sunday Preschool and RE classes meet March 4, 11, 18 and 25.

LENTEN SPECIALS

Sunday, March 4, Reconciliation for Grades 3-8, 4:15 p.m.

Wednesday, March 7, Reconciliation for Grades 3-8, 6:15 p.m.

Sunday, March 11, Stations of the Cross, Grades 7-8, 4:15 p.m.

Wednesday, March 14, Stations of the Cross, Grades 7-8, 6:15 p.m.

VBS VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

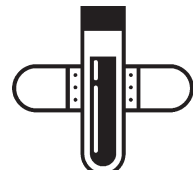
Our Vacation Bible School program has been quite successful for the past few years because we have had many volunteers. VBS is scheduled for June 18-22, and we will need help each morning of that week. Please sign up to assist. We need you! Call Angie Harber at 486-9852 or email her AngieHarber@aol.com to offer your talents. Assistance as teachers, story tellers, skit director, coordinators, craft instructors, etc. will be needed. We will be studying the lives of such saints as Juan Diego, Martin de Porres, Brigid of Ireland, Kateri Tekawitha, and Nicholas. How will you help these holy men and women come alive for our children this summer? (Watch the bulletin for registration information at a future date.)

NEW STUDENT REGISTRATION

Are you interested in having your children attend St. Vincent de Paul School for the 2007-2008 school year? If so, please contact Kathy Palmer at the school office for more details 489-3537 ext. 212.

PARISH REWARDS SEEKS NEW BUSINESSES

The Parish Rewards program is currently accepting new businesses for the upcoming fiscal year. Parish Rewards is an innovative program designed to offer incentives to parishioners to patronize participating Parish Rewards businesses, many of which are parishioner owned or managed. When parishioners make a purchase from a Parish Rewards participant, that business will make a donation to St. Vincent's. These donations benefit a number of organizations—the school via the Strategic



BLOOD DRIVE



Plan Fund, the church and its many vital programs—and also individual families who can receive tuition credits for St. Vincent's and/or Bishop Dwenger students. If you would be interested in learning more about Parish Rewards for your business, please call the school Development Office at 489-3537 ext. 247; we would be glad to mail an informational packet to you. The deadline for new business registration is March 23.

MUSICAL INSTRUMENTS NEEDED

The school band is in need of gently used instruments. Drop them off at the church office.

A NOTE OF THANKS

The St. Vincent Girl Scout Troop #3 (6th grade students) wish to thank you for your generosity for their Bronze Award project. They collected over 50 baby wipes and diapers for the Women's Care Center.



THE LITTLE MERMAID

Once again the children of St. Vincent's will take the stage with the help from Missoula Children's Theatre in the production of THE LITTLE MERMAID. Come join the fun on March 10 with show times at 2:00 p.m. and 7:00 p.m. in the Parish Hall. Adults \$5.00 and children grade-school age and younger are FREE.

CHEERLEADING COACHES NEEDED

5th and 6th grade cheerleading coaches will be needed for next school year. The try-outs are on March 21, 2007. If you could be at the try-outs, that would help you and the girls for next year. If you can help or if you have any questions, call Paul Cassabon at 750-3011 or the school 489-3537, ext. 218.

BD DANCE TEAM TRYOUTS

The Bishop Dwenger Dance Team announces tryouts for the 2007-2008 school year. The date is March 23 from 3:30 – 5:30 p.m. in the cafeteria. Tryouts are open to incoming 9th grade students as well as current 9th-11th grade students. For more information contact Haley Wood 433-2306.

7 STEPS TO BECOMING FINANCIALLY FREE: A CATHOLIC GUIDE TO MANAGING YOUR MONEY



Learn to manage your money with the help of your Catholic Faith in a brand new small-group study from Our Sunday Visitor. Get out of debt, prepare for retirement, pay for Catholic school education and much more—all the while growing closer to God and improving family relationships! St. Vincent's is offering this study on two different evenings starting this Lent. Space is limited for this 6 week program. Call the church office 489-3537 to register. Cost for the materials is \$34.95 per person or \$46.95 per couple. The orientation meeting is set for Tuesday, March 6, at 7:00 p.m. in the Church Conference Room, with subsequent meetings taking place on Tuesdays or Thursdays, from 7:00 – 8:30 p.m. Call today! All are welcome.

RED CROSS BLOOD DRIVE AT ST. VINCENTS



Please help by donating the life-giving gift of blood at the American Red Cross Blood Drive here at St. Vincent's on Saturday, March 17, 2007, in the Parish Hall. Donation hours are from 7:30 to 11:30 a.m.

There is always 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!

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)
March 8 and 22
- Session II (East Meeting Room)
March 15

UPDATED LIST OF ITEMS

A food box for St. Vincent de Paul Society's pantry is placed in the west wing of the Gathering Space. We will continue to regularly post items needed to supply the pantry. Our current needs are, CANNED MEAT, SALTINE CRACKERS, PAPER TOWELS, CEREAL, LAUNDRY AND HAND SOAP, SPAGHETTI, SPAGHETTI SAUCE, and TOILET PAPER, although any donations are appreciated. We cannot accept perishable items, e.g. fresh vegetables. Again, we wish to thank you for your support in helping us feed the poor of our community. Your response has been GREAT!

CHRIST RENEWS HIS PARISH CONTINUATION

COMMITTEE NEEDS YOUR HELP

We will be discerning individuals or Husband/Wife teams for the Committee's service position of Kitchen Coordinator. We will also be discerning individuals for the service position of Newsletter Coordinator. If you have been on a past Christ Renews team and feel called to serve in either ministry, which includes attending Continuation monthly meetings, coordinating the meals for both the Men's and Women's weekends twice a year, and writing a newsletter for the Spring and Fall Men's/Women's weekends, please send a letter to the Church Office, Attention: Barry



Lomont. In this letter, answer the following questions: How did you hear this call? What is your previous team experience and ministry? How do you feel you could best serve the committee, teams and invitees? For more information regarding these ministries, call Barry Lomont at 490-1396.

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 NOTE OF THANKS

Words can hardly express our gratitude to the St. Vincent community of faith for all your generous support of our Gift Lift. The presents, the toiletries and the funds donated all brought much cheer to individuals who often feel left out of the joyous

Christmas season. May you all be as richly blessed as you have blessed them.

Sincerely, Mental Health Association

LITTLE FLOWER HOLY HOUR

Fr. Bernard Galic will celebrate the Holy Hour at MacDougal Chapel on Tuesday, March 6, at 7:15 p.m. Fr. Bernie is Pastor of Holy Family Parish in South Bend and Vocation Director for the Diocese of Fort Wayne/South Bend. Bring a friend this week and join us in prayer with the special intention to pray for priests and vocations. Everyone is welcome and encouraged to attend.

MUG AND MUFFIN

Bring your own mug and A Hope Center will supply the hot beverage and muffins. Then you’ll have the chance to learn more about A Hope Center’s amazing ministry to women in unplanned pregnancies and the training sessions starting March 12. So, come to A Hope Center, 3030 Lake Avenue, Suite 20, on one of the following dates: Thursday, Monday, March 5, 10:00 – 11:00 a.m. or Saturday, March 10, 10:00 – 11:00 a.m. Call 422-3544 if you have questions.

NATURAL FAMILY PLANNING INITIAL SESSION

For Fort Wayne in March is Saturday, March 17, from 10:00 – 12:00 p.m. at St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Parish. The 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.

ALL FAMILY ROSARY

The next First Sunday All Family Rosary at MacDougal Chapel is scheduled for Sunday, April 1. There will be no First Sunday Rosary scheduled for March.

PRAYERS FOR THOSE SERVING OUR COUNTRY

If you have a family member who is serving or working in Iraq/Afghanistan or anywhere in the military and would like prayers for their intention, let the church office know - 489-3537. Their names will be published in the bulletin weekly. Keep in your prayers:

Sgt. Amanda Smith	Ensign	Brandon Brooks
Tech Sgt. Andrew Frantz	Lt.	Teresa Frantz
Lance Cpl. Brian Crooks	Spc.	Tony Christman
Sgt. Andrew Christman	Cpl.	Jon Till
PSC Anthony G. Schuckel	1st Lt.	James Mijatovich
Travis Davis	PFC	Benjamin Caccamo
PFC Justin Harber	Cpl.	Chad H. Pollitt
Staff Sgt. Matthew R. Stier	Staff	Sgt. Thomas Putman
Staff Sgt. Thomas Pettit	Cpt.	Mark Knarr
Master Sgt. Andreas Starling	Staff	Sgt. Ryan C. Puckett
PFC Matthew Clarke	Major	Martin L. Fair
Sgt. Eric Derheimer	Sgt.	Rob Niemeyer
Sgt. Michael Dixon	Sgt.	Jason Day
Sgt. Keith Koch	Lance Cpl.	Matt Vincent, Jr.
Scott Krieg, Air Guard		Kori Melvin
PO1 Jeremy Waldschmidt		Pvt. Dane R.