

Saint Vincent de Paul

CATHOLIC CHURCH

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Liturgy Schedule

Saturday 5:00 pm Vigil
Sunday: 8:00 am, 10:30 am and 12:00 noon
Monday through Friday: 8:30 am
Holy Day Vigil: 7:00 pm
Holy Day: 8:30 am, and 7:00 pm
Confessions: Saturday 3:30 - 4:30 pm or
any time by appointment

Baptisms are Sundays at 2:00 pm. Prior scheduling and Parent Preparation Class are required.

Novena to the Sacred Heart is every Friday after the 8:30 am Mass.

Rosary is prayed at 8:10 am Monday - Friday.

Eucharistic Adoration is Saturdays, 3:30 - 4:30 pm.

Chaplet of Divine Mercy and Benediction is on the First Sunday of the month at 3:00 pm.

Marriages require a six month preparation period by Diocesan policy. Call one of the parish priests prior to setting a date.

Funerals: Arrangements are to be made at the Parish Office before publication of the death notice.

Ministry to those who are Sick or Shut-In

Our Eucharistic Ministers can bring the Eucharist to those parishioners who are ill, recovering from a hospital stay, shut-in, or otherwise unable to attend the Liturgies each Sunday. Please call the Parish Office to be placed on the schedule.

Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA) is the process by which adults are brought into the Catholic Faith through the Sacraments of Baptism, Confirmation and Eucharist. The RCIA meets weekly from September through April. Further information can be obtained by calling the Parish Office.

New Parishioners are always welcome. Please stop by the Parish Office to register at your earliest convenience. Thank you for joining St. Vincent de Paul Parish.



MASSES for the WEEK

MONDAY, December 5, Advent Weekday

8:30 am Helen Goldbach (Birthday)
6:00 pm For the Parishioners

TUESDAY, December 6, St. Nicholas

8:30 am Harold and Margaret Brezine

WEDNESDAY, December 7, St. Ambrose

8:30 am Nellie Demakopoulos & Machela Helen Vuk
7:00 pm McNeeley Family

THURSDAY, December 8, IMMACULATE CONCEPTION

8:30 am Helen Goldbach (Anniversary)
7:00 pm Mary Gumeny

FRIDAY, December 9, Advent Weekday

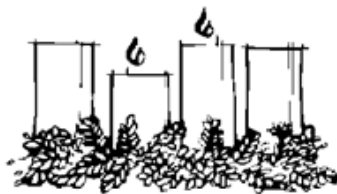
8:30 am Thomas Sullivan (Anniversary)
6:00 pm Alice Ponerantz (Birthday)

SATURDAY, Dec. 10, Vigil of Third Sunday of Advent

5:00 pm Living & Deceased of Wolschleger Family

SUNDAY, December 11, Third Sunday of Advent

8:00 am Mary Von Alt (Anniversary)
10:30 am Mary Oakley (Birthday)
12:00 noon Randolph Stack



WE HAVE A SPECIAL MASS DURING ADVENT

on Monday, Wednesday and Friday evenings at 6:00 P.M. (with the exception of December 7th for the Holy Day Vigil at 7:00 P.M.).

A PRE-BAPTISM CLASS FOR PARENTS will be held this Sunday, December 4th, at 2:00 P.M. in the School Annex. This class is mandatory before a child can be Baptized. Our next class will be held in March.

Advent Giving Tree



The Giving Tree will be up the first two weekends in Advent, 11/26 & 12/4. Please take an ornament or two. Buy the gift specified. **Please return it by 12/11, unwrapped, with price tags removed, in a decorative gift bag with the label from the card affixed to the bag.** Spread the joy of the Christ Child this Christmas to those in need.

Sponsored by the St. Vincent de Paul Society.

HOLY NAME SOCIETY

HAVE YOU BOUGHT YOUR MONTHLY TICKETS?

You can return your tickets and money in the sealed envelope by dropping them in the collection basket. It makes a good Christmas Stocking stuffer.

THIS SUNDAY IS THE FIRST SUNDAY of December. The Chaplet of Divine Mercy will be recited at 3:00 P.M. in the Church. Benediction will follow.

RETIREMENT FUND FOR THE RELIGIOUS Envelopes can be dropped in the Regular Collection ***Next Weekend.***

OPLATKI will be available ***Next Weekend,*** December 10th & 11th, after all the Masses in the Sacristy. There is a \$2.00 offering.

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 8th, is the Feast of the Immaculate Conception, a ***Holy Day*** of Obligation. Masses for the Holy Day will be the Vigil Mass on Wednesday, December 7th, at 7:00 P.M. and on Thursday, December 8th, at 8:30 A.M. and 7:00 P.M.



THE ROSARY MAKERS GUILD will meet on Friday, December 9th, at 7:00 P.M. at the Lighthouse. No experience is necessary. Everyone is welcome.

HELP IS NEEDED TO DECORATE THE CHURCH for Christmas on Friday, December 23rd, at 6:30 P.M.

PASTOR'S NOTES

Thursday of this week is the **Feast of the Immaculate Conception**. This Feast is a **Holy Day of Obligation**. The Masses for the Immaculate Conception will be as follows: a 7:00 pm Vigil Mass on Wednesday and then an 8:30 am and 7:00 pm Mass on Thursday. Many people including Catholics think that the Feast of the Immaculate Conception refers to the conception of Christ through the action of the Holy Spirit in the womb of the Blessed Virgin Mary. I remember listening to a talk show and the host could not be convinced of the true meaning. The Immaculate Conception refers to the condition that the Blessed Virgin Mary was free from Original Sin from the very moment of her conception. Please plan on attending Mass to celebrate this Feast of Our Blessed Mother.

On Monday, December 12th, we will celebrate the **Feast of Our Lady of Guadalupe**. This is not a Holy Day of Obligation. I would, however, at the 6:00 pm Mass that day offer a **Mass of Healing**. I was able to be part of this type of celebration at my first assignment at Holy Family in Parma. During the Mass, people who wished to be prayed over (not anointed) would come forward and the Priest would pray over them. I'd like to begin this tradition here at our parish. I think it would be a nice Holy Advent event.

Another Advent event I would encourage you to consider attending is the **Communal Penance Service** which will take place at St. Mel Church, 14436 Triskett Road on Tuesday, December 13th, at 7:00 pm. I will be there with Priests from St. Ignatius, St. Mark's and St. Mel's to hear individual confessions. This is an opportunity for those who feel uncomfortable going to Confession to their own parish priest to be able to find someone they would be comfortable with to receive the Sacrament. Please take advantage of this special opportunity to prepare for Christmas.



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Have a Blessed Week.
Peace,
Fr. Ken Wallace, Pastor

EVANGELIZATION

WONDERFUL COUNSELOR

The heart of the Christmas story is the fact that in Jesus, God became man and lived among us as one of us. Having personally experienced everything that's human (except sin), He became the "high priest who is able to sympathize with our weaknesses." (Heb 4:15) At the same time, as Son of God, He possesses "all the treasures of wisdom and knowledge." (Col 2:3) Thus, He knows what's in our hearts and minds. He knows exactly what we need to hear. He can say it with great compassion and warmth because He has indeed "walked the talk."

Gazing at the Babe in the manger, we know we're looking at the wisest and most compassionate person we'll ever meet.

(The Word Among Us - Dec., 2016)



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A CHRISTMAS CONCERT with the Daughters of St. Paul Choir on Friday, December 9th, at 7:00 p.m. at the Cathedral of St. John the Evangelist, 1007 Superior Avenue. The concert is free and open to all. No tickets or reservations required. Free secure parking at the Cathedral Plaza Garage—Rockwell Avenue and E. 9th St. **THE TREE OF REMEMBRANCE** will be dedicated with a Candlelight Memorial Service on Saturday, December 17th, at 5 PM, at the Walter Martens & Son Funeral Home, 9811 Denison Avenue. We invite anyone who has experienced a loss to visit our funeral home during the hours of 10 A.M. and 8 P.M. between November 25th and December 16th and place a memorial inscription on an ornament provided by us to hang on our holiday tree. The ornament is yours to keep after the ceremony. This is free and open to all. For more information, please contact the funeral home at 216-281-7111.

Weekly Offering



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THE OFFERTORY COLLECTION for November 20th, 2016 amounted to \$3,392.00. Envelopes used - 165. **THE COLLECTION** for the Campaign for Human Development amounted to \$376.00.

THE OFFERTORY COLLECTION for November 27th, 2016 amounted to \$3,284.15. Envelopes used - 181.