

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL

CATHOLIC CHURCH

December 28, 2014

Holy Family of Jesus, Mary, and Joseph

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Parochial Vicar:

Rev. Michael Barsness

Deacon: Larry Lawinger

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PARISH OFFICE HOURS

Mon-Wed: 8:00 AM - 8:00 PM

Thur-Fri: 8:00 AM - 4:30 PM

Saturday: 9:00 AM - 5:00 PM

MASS SCHEDULE

Weekend Masses

Saturday Evening—5:00 pm

Sunday—7:30 am, 9:00 am, 11:00 am

Daily Masses

Monday through Friday—8:00 am

Holy Day Masses

As announced

CONFESSIONS

Monday-Friday—7:30 am

Saturday—3:30-4:15 pm

Or call the parish office at (763) 425-2210 to schedule an appointment.

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Principal: Kathleen O'Hara



OUR PARISH MISSION STATEMENT, APPROVED BY THE PASTORAL COUNCIL IN MAY 2009:

Know
and celebrate our
Catholic Faith,

Love
God and our neigh-
bor,

Serve
as disciples of
Jesus Christ.



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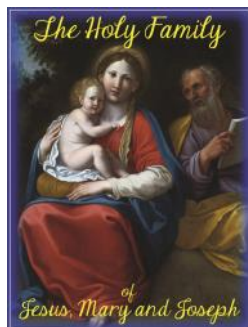


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This weekend we celebrate the Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph. With God's grace, they brought to us Christmas and modeled for us how to be a loving family. In our homes and communities and parishes, we try to model the Holy Family in bringing Christ to others, especially during this Christmas Season.



There are a number of individuals who are a part of our holy family here at St. Vincent, and they did not necessarily bring us Christmas but they helped to make the Masses and celebrations very special. Thank you to the staff and the many people who volunteered and ministered at our parish Advent and Christmas liturgies. Altar servers, Eucharistic Ministers, lectors, greeters, ushers, and sacristans all helped to make our liturgies beautiful and joyful.



Special thanks to the musicians - adult and children's choirs, musical groups, cantors, and instrumentalists - who spent many hours preparing the festive music of the season.

Also, a special thanks to those who gave their time during a busy season to prepare and decorate the church and transform Regan Hall into an additional and lovely worship space. We are blessed to be part of such a giving and talented parish!

Finally, on a personal level and on behalf of Fr. Michael Barsness and myself, thank you for all those who sent Christmas cards and gifts and delicious food that we could share in the office. It is difficult to respond to everyone individually, but please know that your generosity is appreciated. God bless you and your families these holy Days of Christmas, and may you have a Happy New Year!

— Fr. Paul

HOLY DAY OF OBLIGATION

This Thursday is the Solemnity of Mary, Holy Mother of God. Mass will be celebrated at 5 pm on Wednesday, Dec. 31st and at 10 am on Thursday, Jan. 1st.

PARISH OFFICE HOLIDAY HOURS

The Parish Office will close at 4:30 pm on Wednesday, Dec. 31st, and the office will be closed on Thursday, Jan. 1st.



A PRAYER FOR THE NEW YEAR

Dear Lord, at the beginning of this New Year, I remember that you are a God of beginnings and endings. You created the world, with all its eternal patterns. Winter begins in frost, and ends in Spring's thaw. Spring begins in new, green life, ending in Summer's heat. Summer begins in sunshine, and ends in Autumn's breezes. And Autumn's color leads to the white of Winter again. As another year ends and begins in our lives, help us to remember that you have made a world of cycles. When fortune turns to trials, or hardship turns to joy, help me take delight in the life I've received from you. Remind me that I will one day pass from this world and enter a new life like those who have gone before me.
Amen.



THANK YOU FOR YOUR GENEROSITY

We would like to thank the entire SVDP Parish for their support of another successful Giving Tree program. This year we helped 533 people celebrate Christmas and this could not have been accomplished without the generosity of the SVDP Parish and the many volunteers to make this program a reality. We pray that God will bless you abundantly for choosing to celebrate the birth of our Savior Jesus Christ by helping those in need during this very special time of year. A special "Thank you" to Matt and Laura Kenney and family for their hard work and coordination of this program in our parish.



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When they had fulfilled all the prescriptions of the law of the Lord, they returned to Galilee, to their own town of Nazareth. The child grew and became strong, filled with wisdom; and the favor of God was upon him.

— Lk 2:39-40

Excerpts from the Lectionary for Mass ©2001, 1998, 1970 CCD.



PERPETUAL EUCHARISTIC ADORATION

*O Come
 Let Us Adore Him,
 Christ the Lord!*

Adorers are needed for:
Sunday: 3 am, 7 am, 2 pm, 3 pm, 5 pm, 11 pm
Tuesday: 9 pm
Wednesday: 12 am, 8 am, 2 pm
Thursday: 8 am, 11 am, noon, 1 pm, 5 pm
Friday: 3 pm, 4 pm, 10 pm, 11 pm
Saturday: 3 pm, 10 pm

We are looking for a hourly coordinator for 11 pm. This requires approximately 10 minutes of phoning a week.

Please call JoAnne Newman at 763-420-4089 to sign up or to be a sub.

MASS INTENTIONS FOR

DEC. 29 – JAN. 4



Monday	8:00 am	† Ruth Ross
Tuesday	8:00 am	† Jan Grey
Wednesday	8:00 am	† Roger Picotte
	5:00 pm	Parishioners
Thursday	10:00 am	† Lionel Spaniol
Friday	8:00 am	† Lillian Schommer
Saturday	5:00 pm	† Virginia Carlson
Sunday	7:30 am	Parishioners
	9:00 am	Kate Palkie
	11:00 am	† Joe & Anna Meier



LITURGICAL ROLES

FOR WEDNESDAY, DEC. 31 & THURSDAY, JAN. 1:

5:00 pm	Julia Waletzko	MUSICIANS
10:00 am	Devotion/All Invite	

FOR SATURDAY, JAN. 3 & SUNDAY, JAN. 4:

5:00 pm	Cassidy Family	MUSICIANS
7:30 am	Men's Schola	
9:00 am	Devotion	
11:00 am	Jubilation	

5:00 pm	Deb Berentson	WELCOME CENTER
7:30 am	Ted & Bunny Dargis	
9:00 am	Shirley Homan	
11:00 am	Donna Nelson	

Please note:

Liturgical Roles for Presiders, Servers, Lectors, Eucharistic Ministers, and Gift Shop volunteers were not yet determined at the time this bulletin went to press.

“For my eyes have seen your salvation, which you prepared in sight of all the peoples, a light for revelation to the Gentiles, and glory for your people Israel.”

— Lk 2:30-32

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READINGS FOR THE WEEK OF DEC. 28, 2014:

Sunday: Gn 15:1-6; 21:1-3 or Sir 3:2-6, 12-14/Heb 11:8, 11-12, 17-19 or Col 3:12-21 or 3:12-17/Lk 2:22-40 or 2:22, 39-40

Monday: 1 Jn 2:3-11/Lk 2:22-35

Tuesday: 1 Jn 2:12-17/Lk 2:36-40

Wednesday: 1 Jn 2:18-21/Jn 1:1-18

Thursday: Nm 6:22-27/Gal 4:4-7/Lk 2:16-21

Friday: 1 Jn 2:22-28/Jn 1:19-28

Saturday: 1 Jn 2:29--3:6/Jn 1:29-34

Next Sunday: Is 60:1-6/Eph 3:2-3a, 5-6/Mt 2:1-12



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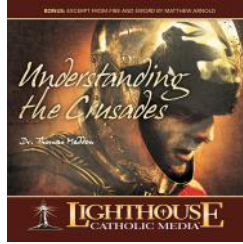


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SVDP BOOK CLUB

SVDP Book club is reading Rome Sweet Home, a conversion story by Scott and Kimberly Hahn. More information at www.saintvdp.org/groups/book-club.



INSPIRING AND INFORMATIVE CATHOLIC CD'S
Still only \$3 each!

One of the titles is: **"Understanding the Crusades"**.

Dr. Thomas Madden is a professor of history at St. Louis University and has appeared in such venues as the New York Times, Washington Post, Wall Street Journal, and The History Channel.

In this eye-opening presentation, Dr. Madden debunks popular myths surrounding the crusades and shows us how the different misconceptions regarding the crusades have fed into the tension between the East and West.

PRE-BAPTISM SESSION

Baptisms for infants and young children under the age of seven are on the first and third Sundays of each month at 12:30 pm. Parents are always encouraged to attend the Pre-Baptism Session, which is required if it has been five years or longer since last attended.



The Pre-Baptism Session is held on the first Tuesday of every month from 7-8:30 pm, in the East Meeting Room. **Our next session is on January 6th.** Registration is required for this session at the Parish Office (763-425-2210) and babysitting is not available. It is recommended that you attend the session before the birth of your child.

Keep in mind that godparents must be practicing Catholics who are confirmed, one male and one female, and at least sixteen years of age.



SCHOOL NEWS

2015-2016 ENROLLMENT APPLICATIONS

We are currently accepting enrollment applications for kindergarteners for the 2015-2016 school year. There are openings in several other grades as well.

Our school offers a nationally accredited K-8 program. Call the school office at 763-425-3970 for more information or to schedule a school tour.

SAVE THE DATES:

FATHER/DAUGHTER DANCE:

Saturday, March 7, 2015, Regan Hall. Watch for details for this all parish event.

AUCTION FOR EDUCATION

Mark your calendars for the next Auction for Education to benefit our Faith Formation Program and St. Vincent de Paul School on **Saturday, Apr. 18th**. The theme will be "The Kentucky Derby". More details in upcoming bulletins.

QUESTION OF THE WEEK

- **Adult/Teen:** How do the members of your household show love for one another during difficult times?
- **Child:** How do you show your family that you love and trust them?



Please take some time today to discuss these questions or reflect on them in private prayer.

—From *Lectionary Link* by Harcourt Publishers



Mission for the Week

Jesus belonged to God. Look up the word "belong" in the dictionary. Thank God that you are his child, too.

Parish Life



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YOUTH MINISTRY



**WE WANT YOU
TO JOIN US AT YOUTH GROUP!**

Grades 7-8 come to **EDGE** Wednesdays, 5:00-6:00 pm in the East Meeting Room
Grades 9-12 come to **LIFENight** Wednesdays, 7:30-9:00 pm in the East Meeting Room



SIGN UP NOW FOR THE MEN'S & WOMEN'S RETREATS:

Sr. High Men's and Women's Only retreats provide us a unique opportunity to talk about chastity, leadership, accountability, discipleship, and friendship in a targeted way for "just the girls" and "just the guys." During the weekend we will hear talks, discuss, pray, relax, play football, spend time outdoors, dance, play, talk, and grow closer to others and God. For the women - with just the girls. For the guys - with just the guys. **Men's & Women's retreat will be held from Friday January 23rd - Saturday, January 24th.** Registration is now available online!



FASTER THAN THE PASTOR COMMITTEE MEMBERS NEEDED

St. Vincent de Paul's Faster than the Pastor 5K and Little Lambs Mad Dash are looking for several new committee members.

Interested in serving our community in a unique, fun and dynamic way? In our 5th year, this committee is looking to bring additional vibrancy and energy to this year's event.

Please contact Race Director Pam Baker at: runforlife@comcast.net, or 612-940-3149.



COFFEE AND COMPANY

Coffee and Company is back! Join us on January 4th and celebrate the new year!

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS MEMBERSHIP DINNER



KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

IN SERVICE TO ONE. IN SERVICE TO ALL.

Are you interested in learning more about the Knights of Columbus? **We are hosting a Membership Dinner on Sunday, January 4th at 5:30 pm** in the East Meeting Room for Catholic men age 18 or older.

YOU AND/OR YOUR WIFE are invited to attend at no cost. Please contact Bob Clark, 763-424-5509, Robert Moreland at 763-557-0874, or Tom Heltemes at 763-425-2314 if you would like to attend or for more information.

CHRISTMAS BAZAAR THANK YOU'S



Many thanks to the Christmas Bazaar Committee members and all the volunteers who made the Christmas Bazaar a HUGE success! Much appreciation to all who contributed items and came to enjoy the bazaar.

We grossed about \$31,000. Profits will go to our Faith Formation programs, for parish needs, and various charities.

- Jan Buechler and Susan McCaffrey, Bazaar Co-chairs

JESUS' MOTLEY CREW... EXPOSED!



A detailed look at three people in Jesus' life and how our lives are reflected in those people.

SUNDAY, FEB. 22ND - TUESDAY, FEB. 24TH, 2015

Join us for a special three-night event with speaker Lino Rulli, host of "The Catholic Guy" on



SiriusXM Satellite Radio 29. www.linorulli.com

Special programming available for children in grades K-6 and childcare for those 4 and under.

For questions or more information, contact Molly Schorr, Director of Parish Life at 763-425-2210 or mollyschorr@saintvdp.org

Don't worry if you missed the night in November, please come and hear from an incredibly hilarious and holy man!



JUBILATION! SAYS THANK YOU AND GOODBYE!

For the past 23 years, the members of the Jubilation! music group have been blessed to share our gift of music with this parish. After a long and difficult decision process, the group has decided that we will lead the congregation in song for the last time on January 4 for the 11 AM Mass.



Saying goodbye is not easy. All the members of our group feel we have been called by the Lord to share our gift of music to praise the Lord. We truly love expressing our faith through music, and feel that when we sing, we "Pray" twice. Every Sunday that we have sung, our hearts have been filled with joy for the Lord.

God Bless you, and thank you for your support for 23 years. Please join us in attending the Coffee & Company event directly after the 11 AM Mass on January 4.

—Peg Sorensen, Director of Jubilation!

WARM UP WITH THOUGHTS OF SUMMER!

Registration is now open for all parish kids needing Summer Care. The program is open to parish children entering grades 1-6 in the fall of 2015. The deadline to enroll for Royal Kids Summer Care is March 13.



Go to www.saintvdp.org and look for the link to Royal Kids Care under Announcements.

Questions? Contact: margaretkoss@saintvdp.org

MOMS MORNING OUT SEEKING CHILDCARE HELP

We are looking for 1-2 people to provide childcare in the nursery during meetings this year. Our meetings are scheduled for the third Tuesday of each month beginning September through April from 9:30-11:30 am. If you are interested, please contact Rebecca Keran at: stvdp_pmo@yahoo.com. Virtus training is required.

CONSIDER THIS:

Donate appreciated stock: You can give appreciated stock to



your church and/or charity and benefit greatly. If you've held it for more than one year you may take a charitable tax deduction for the market value of the stock, and neither you nor the church/charity has to pay capital-gains taxes when the stock is sold. The combination can result in a bigger deduction (and more tax savings) for you and a bigger gift for the charity than if you sell the stock, pay the taxes, and donate the net proceeds.

CATHOLIC WOMEN'S CONFERENCE - FEBRUARY 14



Women of all ages are invited to the Catholic Women's Conference sponsored by the Office of Evangelization and Catechesis in partnership with WINE: Women In the New Evangelization.

February 14, 2015: 8 am - 2 pm (Doors open at 7 am for coffee, camaraderie & caramel rolls!) Lunch is provided.

On this beautiful Feast of Saint Valentine, the focus of the conference will be the heart: A Heart Drawn by Love: Sent on Fire. The event features keynote speakers Patti Schneider and Nancy Jo Sullivan, and Mass celebrated by Bishop Andrew Cozzens.

Cost: \$30 per person before January 19, 2015 (Early bird); \$40 per person after January 19. The event will be held nearby at Epiphany in Coon Rapids.

For more information or to register, please visit www.womeninthenewevangelization.com or call 651-291-4411.



DON'T SELL YOUR VEHICLE—DONATE IT!

Donate it to the Osseo/Maple Grove Knights of Columbus. We will provide a tax deductible receipt. We are looking for cars, trucks, and motorcycles. Call Paul Greninger at 763-425-7316.



Stewardship

AT ST. VINCENT DE PAUL
a way of life

At all the Masses recently, we recognized our gifts as coming from God and committed to various areas of Stewardship. If you did not turn in your forms, please do so either in the Parish office, in the collection basket or by mailing them in. We want everyone to share their time, talent and treasure that will bless our parish.

**DON'T FORGET,
YOU CAN SIGN UP ONLINE AT www.saintvdp.org!**

Thank you for your consideration and thank you for making Stewardship a way of life at St. Vincent de Paul.



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THE DEADLINE FOR SUBMISSIONS FOR THE JAN. 4TH BULLETIN HAS PASSED.



**DECEMBER 22, 2014
 (WEEK 25)**

	Current	Year-to-Date
Sunday General Collection	\$33,077.75	\$910,409.73
Automatic Withdrawal & Online Giving	\$19,328.40	
Christmas Donations	\$6,390.00	
Children/Youth	\$90.76	\$1,232.16
Total Support	\$58,886.91	\$911,641.89
Major Repair & Replacement Fund-Collection	\$380.00	
Automatic Withdrawal & Online Giving	\$272.00	
Total Support for Major Repair Fund	\$652.00	\$21,570.25

Thank you for your generous support of the ministries of St. Vincent de Paul!



MEMBERSHIP

We welcome you to our parish family! If you are interested in learning more about our church, or would like to join, please stop in at the parish office to register.

You may also register at the Welcome Center before or

after Mass or over the internet at www.saintvdp.org. All adults, age 18 and older, should be registered.

BAPTISMS:

1st and 3rd Sundays at 12:30 pm. Pre-Baptism Class is required. Call the Parish office to register. It is recommended that you attend the class before the birth of your child.



MATRIMONY:

Arrangements should be made one year in advance.

Call the parish office for more information at 763-425-2210.



MONDAY, DECEMBER 29

7:00 pm Resound Choir Rehearsal/Sanctuary

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 30

7:00 pm KC Meeting/W Mtg Rm

8:00 pm Bell Choir Rehearsal/Sanctuary Back

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 31

PARISH OFFICE CLOSSES AT 4:30 PM

5:00 pm Holy Day Mass

6:15 pm Freedom Choir Rehearsal/Sanctuary

7:30 pm Devotion Choir Rehearsal/Sanctuary

THURSDAY, JANUARY 1

**SOLEMNITY OF MARY, MOTHER OF GOD
 NEW YEAR'S DAY**

10:00 am Holy Day Mass

7:00 pm Singcerely His Choir Rehearsal/Sanctuary

SATURDAY, JANUARY 3

3:30 pm Confessions/Chapel

SUNDAY, JANUARY 4

12:30 pm Baptisms/Sanctuary

KC Rosary:
 There is a rosary prayed every Tuesday at 6:30 pm in the cry room, led by the Knights of Columbus. Plan to attend whenever you can.

NEW ONLINE CALENDAR!
 Wondering what room a Bible Study is in?
 Or when the basketball game is?
 Or when Youth Group is over?
 Or just are curious why there are cars in the parking lot?
 Check out our new online calendar!
 On our homepage, there is a "calendar" link or go to:
calendar.saintvdp.org.
 Take a look!

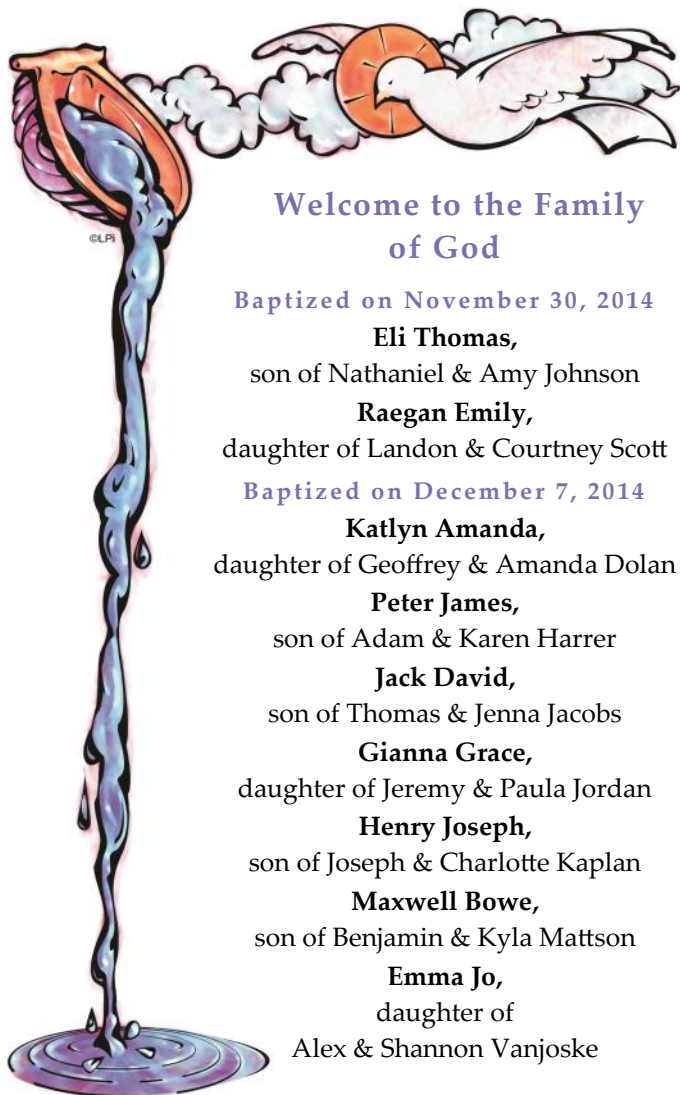


VOTIVE CANDLES

We have a wonderful team of "Votive Angels" that clean, replace, and take care of the votive candles by the Blessed Mary and St. Joseph votive areas.

These "Angels" are responsible for the upkeep of these candles. **We ask that no one but these "Angels" take care of these candles.**

For fire safety, please do not extinguish, move, or replace another person's lighted candle. Thank you.



Welcome to the Family of God

Baptized on November 30, 2014

Eli Thomas,

son of Nathaniel & Amy Johnson

Raegan Emily,

daughter of Landon & Courtney Scott

Baptized on December 7, 2014

Katlyn Amanda,

daughter of Geoffrey & Amanda Dolan

Peter James,

son of Adam & Karen Harrer

Jack David,

son of Thomas & Jenna Jacobs

Gianna Grace,

daughter of Jeremy & Paula Jordan

Henry Joseph,

son of Joseph & Charlotte Kaplan

Maxwell Bowe,

son of Benjamin & Kyla Mattson

Emma Jo,

daughter of

Alex & Shannon Vanjoske



“The Church must be attractive. Wake up the world! Be witnesses of a different way of acting, of living! It is possible to live differently in this world.... It is this witness I expect from you!” —Pope Francis

YEAR OF CONSECRATED LIFE

NOVEMBER 30, 2014 - FEBRUARY 2, 2016

The Year of Consecrated Life declared by Pope Francis started on the First Sunday of Advent. It will close on the World Day of Consecrated Life (and the Feast of the Presentation of the Lord), February 2, 2016. The Holy Father has outlined these objectives for the year:

- Making a grateful remembrance of the past
- Embracing the future with hope, and
- Living the present with passion

Keep updated on events and resources throughout the Year of Consecrated Life by visiting www.archspm.org/2015YCL and on social media using #YCL2015.

PLEASE PICK UP YOUR FUNERAL LUNCH DISHES

In an effort to keep the empty dishes out of the coat room, we have placed empty dishes in the small kitchen located behind the coat room.

Please pick up your dish in a timely fashion so as to keep the “collection” of dishes to a minimum. Again, thank you for your continued support in our funeral lunch ministry. Your time and talent are greatly appreciated!

GRIEF TO GRACE PROGRAM - JAN. 11-16

“Grief to Grace: Healing the Wounds of Abuse” is a spiritual program for anyone who has suffered degradation or violation through physical, emotional, sexual, or spiritual abuse. It is appropriate for anyone who has endured sexual abuse, rape, incest, or other forms of traumatic violation in childhood or adolescence. It is also appropriate for anyone who has been abused by clergy. Grief to Grace invites participants to journey through this retreat program in the name of love. Dr. Theresa Burke, founder of Rachel’s Vineyard retreats for healing after abortion, composed the program and will serve as the facilitator for this retreat.



Visit www.griefftograce.org for more information about this upcoming retreat in our area. To request an application, contact: info@griefftograce.org or call 610-203-2002.

Please reserve your spot now as space is limited.



I Feel Good When I Thank God!

CHILDREN'S STEWARDSHIP

Here are a few of the “offerings” from the children’s envelopes received last Sunday:

- ✚ Noah—I gave socks to “Toasty Toes”
- ✚ Hailey—helped mom with Christmas cards
- ✚ Tony—helped celebrate my sister’s first birthday
- ✚ Matthew—donated a toy to Toys for Tots
- ✚ Trina—worked at Breakfast with Santa
- ✚ Brady—saying my prayers before I eat
- ✚ Alexis—played fair



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ST. VINCENT DE PAUL HITS THE ROAD...

Our parish Outreach ministry will take parishioners on the road beginning January through May 2015. This new program highlights the Eucharistic message of going into and beyond our immediate communities to become the "Jesus" we receive daily and weekly at Mass.

When we hit the road this new year, we will be visiting the following organizations and communities being supported by Catholic Campaign for Human Development (CCHD):

- **Tuesday, January 27th: Centro de Trabajadores Unidos en Lucha**
- **Saturday, February 21st: Catholic Charities Higher Ground**
- **Tuesday, March 24th: Elpis Enterprises**
- **Saturday, April 25th: Hmong American Farmers Association**
- **Tuesday, May 26th: East Side Neighborhood Development Co.**

Please, consider joining us for some or all of these local immersion trips, which are meant to affirm our presence not just as a church IN the community, but a church FOR and WITH the community in the spirit of our patron saint - St. Vincent de Paul.

For more information, please contact Okey Anyanwu at the parish office: (763) 425-2210, Ext. 417 or e-mail: okey@saintvdp.org

PLEASE REMEMBER THE SICK OF OUR PARISH IN YOUR PRAYERS:

Danny Kroll, Darlene Gross, Darlene Loeffler, Mary Setzler, Veronica Smude, Bob Burks, Cole McDonough, Sylvia Ditter, Alfred Smith, Jerien Okoh-Tisch, Paul Costabilo, Steve Kane, Ed Kauffman, and Bette Wills.



PRAYER REQUEST LINE CONTACT PEOPLE

DAILY — 8 AM TO 9 PM: Jackie McDonough at (763) 425-7297
EVENINGS, WEEKENDS: Anna Duffy at (763) 323-8018

PLEASE JOIN US FOR THE ROSARY

Join fellow parishioners for the Rosary each morning in the Chapel at 7:30 am. We will pray for a special intention specific to the dignity of life every first Friday.



On Friday, Jan. 2nd we will pray for abortion minded women and men, and the March for Life. If you are unable to attend, please remember our intention this month in your prayers.

BABY BOTTLE BOOMERANG

St. Vincent's will participate in a "Baby Bottle Boomerang" this January. It's a fun project for the entire family that provides vital funds for WomenSource, a life-saving and life-changing local pregnancy center. This center provides hope for women facing unplanned pregnancies.



After Mass on the weekend of Jan. 17th and 18th, empty baby bottles will be distributed. Then you can collect pocket change or enclose a cash donation in the baby bottle (checks should be made out to St. Vincent de Paul).

Please return your filled bottles on Jan. 24th/25th or Jan. 31st/Feb. 1st in the Gathering Space where they will be collected. For more information, please contact Okey Anyanwu at okey@saintvdp.org or call the parish office at 763-425-2210, Ext. 417.

JUSTFAITH STARTS JANUARY 29TH THROUGH MAY 2015

JustFaith program leads its participants into the world of the suffering, the poor, and the marginalized, so that they can learn who they are as individuals, who God is, and what is to be done.



JustFaith
Purpose. From a new perspective.

It is a transformational program that provides its participants with an opportunity to explore the demands of the Justice tradition of the Church with emphasis on the relationship between our faith, human dignity and the common good.

This exploration is punctuated by lively readings, visuals, discussions, fervent prayer and memorable experiences on weekly basis following a prepared syllabus. The syllabus usually covers topics like: the scripture imperative for justice, the Church's preferential option for the poor, U.S. Bishops' statements on justice, the causes of growing world poverty, consumerism, racism, etc.

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