# ST. VINCENT DE PAUL CHURCH

## AUGUST 2016



## VISITORS WELCOME!

- Each week the Eucharist is offered as bread and wine.
- Instead of using missalettes, we read from our Altar Bible, following the Catholic tradition that the Word is to be heard.
- The music is in *Gather* (blue hymnal) and *Worship* (red). Hymns are in the weekly bulletin.
- Our weekend Mass celebrations have different moods. Our 9:30 Mass is lively with a full choir, while the 11:45 AM one has a cantor. The vigil at 7:15 is quiet and contemplative.
- All of St. Vincent is wheelchair accessible. We have listening devices available behind the last pew.
- At 9:30 Mass, we offer Liturgy of the Word for Children, an age-appropriate homily program, and American Sign Language interpretation. And after the 9:30 Mass, we have coffee and pastries downstairs in our undercroft. Join us!

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## **MASS SCHEDULE**

Saturdays: 7:15 PM Sundays: 9:30 and 11:45 AM Weekdays: 12 PM, Monday-Friday Holy Days: Vigil 7:15 PM, 12 PM

## **CONTACTS FOR COMMITTEES, MINISTRIES & GROUPS**

Name	Contact	Phone	Email
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The Resource Exchange	Peggy Cronyn	410.707.3659	resource-exchange@stvchurch.org
Friends of St. Vincent Park	Mike Kelly		stvpark@stvchurch.org
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Liturgy Planners			liturgy-planners@stvchurch.org
Altar Dressers			altar-dressers@stvchurch.org
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Parish Council Representatives and Committee Chairs			
President, 9:30 Mass	Joe Yingling	410.747.2223	parish-council@stvchurch.org
7:15 Mass	Eve Prietz		
Vice President, 9:30 Mass	Mary Kate Fries		
9:30 Mass	Michael Jacko	443.574.7793	
9:30 Mass	Lee Krempel	443.783.4746	
11:45 Mass	Denise Hamilton	410.517.4611	
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Finance Committee	Mark Palmer	410.837.1457	finance@stvchurch.org
Outreach/Engagement	Lee Krempel	443.783.4746	outreach-engagement@stvchurch.org
Parish Council, which consists of the Pastoral Team, Parish Corporators, Mass representatives and chairs of the committees (in			
bold above) meets the second Tuesday of the month at 7:30 PM. Parishioners are welcome. Contact the parish council president			
to discuss additions to the agenda. Minutes are available on the website.			

**PRAYER REQUESTS:** Georgie and Tom English, Joseph Patek, Gloria Prietz, Margaret Conley, Shannon Hawkins, Roxie Brown, Daniel Ansorge, Laurie Sanchez, David Payne, Mamie Coleman, John Schaefer, Joan Raimondi, Kelly Magnum, Marsha Register, Ed Gerwin, Jennifer Talarico, Joseph Duffy, Olga Flaks, Fr. Terence Hoppenjans, Linda Pardee, Charles Houston, Pat Spiegel, James Murtagh, Jennifer Merson, Pat Massey, Ginny Graf, Jody Foster, Patrick Cvetic, Joan Casey, Carol and Elaine Severin, Tess Martin, Ava Bonacci, John Smith, Theodore Chilcote, Jim O'Neill, Mark Pepple, Vivian Gibson, Marsha Mank, Ben Podowski, Robin Williams, Owen and Rosemary Soraghan, Cathy Travis, Harriet Green, Thaddeus Stamps, Irene McAllister, Denny Leathers, Helen Meyer, Carol Henneman Spenser, Marilyn and Bill Krieger, Brendan English, Mary Beth Balog, Gary and Jim McMahon, Jim O'Brien, Fran MacAvoy, Dennis Witowski, Elaine Loughlin, Sue Mason.

**PRAYERS FOR DECEASED:** George Rolandelli, Marie Connolly, Bernard Roy, Steven Winder, Bev Connolly, Joseph Yingling, Ruth Taylor, Florence Clinton-Simpson.

#### Our Mission: We the people of God of St Vincent de Paul Church respond to God's call to **Reflect** The light and love of God the Creator, Mother and Father of us all, The infinite mercy and compassion of Jesus Christ

The empowering grace of the Holy Spirit

Support

Our welcoming community of diverse persons and families Our active and full participation in liturgies and celebrations Our spiritual growth in scripture, sacraments and community **Commit** To love, serve and challenge one another To sustain the earth, our neighbors near and far, the poor, the marginalized To be healing instruments of justice and peace

**FOR FAMILIES:** At 9:30 Mass, we have a professionally staffed **nursery in the Rectory** and a **Liturgy of the Word for children** (LOW) program, where kids hear the Word preached at an age-appropriate level. At all Masses, we offer **MagnifiKids**, a weekly Mass accompaniment. In the Gathering Space, you will find bags of quiet toys for young ones and rockers for parents of babies. Our religious education program for children in grades K-12 is **Faith, Fun Fellowship** (FFF), and it meets on the second and fourth Sundays after 9:30 Mass.

**SACRAMENTS:** For Baptism, Reconciliation and Marriage, call for an appointment with the pastor. For First Communion, First Reconciliation and Confirmation for youth, contact Anne Gibson. Confirmation and Baptism for adults, contact Anne Maura English <u>RCIA@stvchurch.org</u>.

## ST. V'S SERVICE MINISTRIES

In the first 7 months of 2016, St. Vincent has:

- Served 6,625 dinners on Friday nights
- Given 207 sets of men's clothing
- Provided furnishings for **71 people** once homeless
- Distributed 377 bags of food
- Given \$1,498 in aid from the Poor Box\*

March-July our park had **996 overnight guests**. \*for utility/eviction, transportation and prescriptions--As of 7/31/16

## STAFF

Rev. Richard T. Lawrence, Pastor rlawrence@archbalt.org

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Mr. Joseph Organ - Minister of Music - <u>choir@stvchurch.org</u>

Ms. Sue Goodman, Cantor Rev. Charles Canterna, in Residence

## SERVICE MINISTRIES

All are invited to get involved! Use the contact info on previous page or go to our website to learn more. **Breaking Bread with the Hungry** – Adult volunteers (and teens with parents) are needed weekly starting at 4 or 4:30 PM on Fridays. Dinner is 5-6 PM. **Weekly Food Pantry** – Our neighbors in 21202 and 21231 can receive a bag of groceries each month on Mondays, 12:30 PM.

*Monthly Men's Clothing Distribution* –Donations of men's casual clothing and toiletries needed for second Thursdays, 12:30 PM (Sept.-June).

*The Resource Exchange* provides furnishings for people housed by Healthcare for the Homeless. See our website for volunteer/donation opportunities. *Friends of St. Vincent Park* helps maintain our park and make contact with its residents and visitors.

## **SOCIAL JUSTICE**

St. V's social justice initiatives include sister parishes in Nicaragua and Lithuania; support for Maryland BRIDGE, Sts. James & John School and Habitat for Humanity; and advocacy work.

## MORE WAYS TO GET INVOLVED

Monday Night Bible Study, Married Couples Group, Dinner for 8, Women in Ministry, Family Life Ministry

# **GOD IS LIVING IN OUR CITIES**

The Pope said so. The quote is hanging on our wall.

God is living in our cities. Really? Don't the theologians say that God is everywhere? And if we were looking for someplace in particular to find God, most of us would think places of quiet natural beauty, like a stream in the forest or the sun reflecting off the surface of the Chesapeake in the early morning.

What makes Francis think that God is living in our cities in any special way?



Well, our cities are where our culture is. Whether you want pop culture such as a rock concert or high culture such as an art museum, you find it in the city. The ballpark, the stadium, the orchestra hall, the sculpture garden, all are in the city.

And our cities are where humanity makes progress. Granted, the Internet has made location a little less important in this regard, but proximity and personal interaction still matter in the interplay of ideas that creates progress, whether in philosophy or in medicine, in technology or in business. It is no surprise, therefore, that most of the great universities, the great research institutes, the great teaching hospitals, are in our cities.

And, quite simply, our cities are where our people are. Over the past few centuries, as the population of our planet has grown, it is our cities that have grown even as our rural populations have declined. If God loves people, God has to love

our cities, because that's where the people are.

But I think that above all these reasons, Francis would say, God is living in our cities because that's where the poor are. Of course poverty exists in our rural areas (Somerset County, on the Eastern Shore, not Baltimore City as many might think, has the lowest per capita income in the state). But far and away the largest numbers of the poor live in our cities.

Our cities are where our poor come seeking a way out of poverty, if not for themselves, then for their children. Whether it was an Irish farmer fleeing the oppression of British rule and the ensuing potato famine, or an African-American sharecropper thrown off his land during the depression, or a Latino *indocumentado* who could no longer make it at home because of the violence created by the US-fed cartels, they have come to our cities in a last, almost desperate journey of hope. And despite the oppression and the violence they find in ghettos and barrios our society tries to confine them to, they still cling to that hope.

And God is with them, living in our cities. -Richard Lawrence, Pastor

## COMING UP AT ST. V

- Sunday, Sept. 11 First Faith Fun Fellowship Class & Catechetical Sunday – Registration forms for K-12 children available now
- *Monday, Sept.* 12 Bible Study Begins St. Paul's letter to the Romans
- Saturday, Sept. 23 A Day of Service Social Action Committee organizing applepicking event
- Sunday, Sept. 24 Feast of St. Vincent One Mass at 10 AM followed by a parish picnic
  See this or upcoming weekly bulletins for more details on these events.

#### ST. VINCENT'S MONTHLY NEW BULLETIN

This month, St. V introduces a new, two-part format for our bulletin. This monthly issue features at least one longer article as well as general information about the parish, while a weekly insert focuses on news and information for the current week.

The monthly version will come out the first Sunday but will be available all month. It also will be posted on the website. During the first week of the month, the weekly sheet (where you will find hymns, ministries and upcoming events) is stuffed inside the bulletin. In subsequent weeks, the two will be available separately.

**Deadline for Submissions:** Weekly issue is Wednesdays by 10 PM; monthly bulletin is the third Sunday of the month.