# ST. VINCENT DE PAUL CHURCH

**AUGUST 2017** 



## **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

# **MASS SCHEDULE**

Saturdays: 7:15 PM

Sundays: 9:30 & 11:45 AM Monday-Friday: 12 PM Saturdays: 7:15 PM

# **VISITORS WELCOME!**

- 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.
- Hymns are in the weekly bulletin and found in Gather (blue) and Worship (red) hymnals.
- Our weekend Mass celebrations have different moods. Our 9:30 Mass is lively with a full choir; the 11:45 AM one has a cantor. The vigil at 7:15 PM is quiet.
- All of St. Vincent is wheelchair accessible.
   Listening devices are 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!

# CONTACTS FOR COMMITTEES, MINISTRIES & GROUPS

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9:30 Mass	Dan Rolandelli		
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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: 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, 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, Jim O'Neill, Mark Pepple, Vivian Gibson, Marsha Mank, Robin Williams, , 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, Charlotte Grahe, Myrtle Radke, Arthur Jones, Jeffrey Keast, Josephine McCoy, Jack Spence, Jamie Grahe, Rosemary Soraghan, Linda Gray

**PRAYERS FOR DECEASED:** Tom Cimino, Robert J. Belanger, Eugene Zembower, Charles Raines, Virginia Harwood, Gloria Cerino Gruss, Stephanie Wolf, Jim Butzow, Linda Pardee, Gail Williams, Marge McDowell, Tony Braswell Ben Podowski

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## **ALL ARE INVITED TO GET INVOLVED!**

**FOR FAMILIES:** At 9:30 Mass, children leave for their own **Liturgy of the Word** (LOW) program to hear the Word preached at an age-appropriate level. At all Masses, we offer weekly Mass accompaniment **MagnifiKids**. In the Gathering Space, you will find bags of toys for young ones and rockers for parents of babies. In the rectory near the front door, there is playroom. **Faith, Fun Fellowship** (FFF), our religious education program for grades K-12, meets on the second and fourth Sundays after 9:30 Mass.

**SACRAMENTS:** For Baptism, Reconciliation and Marriage, call the parish office. For First Communion, First Reconciliation and Confirmation for youth, contact Anne Gibson. Confirmation and Baptism for adults, contact Anne Maura English at <a href="mailto:RCIA@stvchurch.org">RCIA@stvchurch.org</a>.

#### SERVICE AT ST. V

In the first 7 months of 2017, St. Vincent has:
Served 7,022 dinners on Friday nights
Given 272 sets of men's clothing
Provided furnishings for 53 people once homeless
Distributed 278 bags of groceries
Given \$4,118.10 in aid from the Poor Box\*
Our park had 1,495 overnight guests.
\*Aid for rent, utilities, prescriptions and transportation.

## **SERVICE MINISTRIES**

Breaking Bread With the Hungry Dinner – Adult volunteers (and teens with parents) are needed weekly starting at 4 PM on Fridays. Dinner is 5-6 PM. Weekly Food Pantry – Our neighbors in 21201, 21202 and 21231 zip codes can receive a bag of groceries each month on Mondays at 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

## HOW EVANGELIZATION HAPPENS

Evangelization can be a problematic word. For a long time my word processor didn't even believe it was a word, always suggesting that perhaps I meant evangelism or evangelical. Of course, we know it's a word. Pope Francis uses it 111 times in *The Joy of the Gospel*. It is at the core of the work the parish is doing to shape our future in the Be Missionary Disciples planning process. In *This Week @ St. Vincent*, Fr. Ray tied evangelization to what we learned by reading the Acts of the Apostles this summer, saying "Evangelization is about witnessing!"

And yet, for many of us the word still makes us a bit uncomfortable. Maybe, it is simply because it sounds like evangelical or maybe it's more than that. Perhaps it is because it calls toward a more demanding path. Yet no one, certainly not Jesus, ever said being Christian was the easy path.

And so I'm not saying evangelization should be easy, but it doesn't have to be so daunting.

On the front of this bulletin, our Mission Banner proclaims our commitment to "Word – Sacrament – Service." On the inside pages, there are dozens of ways to get involved in the parish.

How did our mission statement get crafted? How did all those programs come to be? So many of the things this parish does now started with an idea from a parishioner. Someone said: What if we could fulfill the need for furnishings of newly housed people? Why don't we have Bible Study? Can we create a dialogue about race and other critical issues using film?

People didn't just have ideas; we as a parish brought them to reality. People came home from work and then went back out to a meeting. They spent their Saturday planning lessons for Faith Fun Fellowship. They stayed up all night during the Easter Vigil. They got degrees in theology. In



these and many other ways, parishioners worked to create avenues to share their faith. This is evangelization.

The empowered laity of this parish has been evangelizing in this way since the day the cornerstone was laid. The founders built orphanages and schools. The generation that came of age during the Second Vatican Council joined in crafting liturgies that broke open scripture and rejoiced in the gift of the Eucharist. While at the same time, the parish continued to grow its deep commitment to the poor and marginalized.

After 175 years, it's pretty clear we have what it takes for evangelization. But we can't stand still, rest on our past good deeds. Now more than ever we must take this fire that is within us—a fire we have always shared with one another—and turn it even further outward.

What each of us gains by being a part of the community of St. Vincent is something we are called to share with others. So as we look to our parish's future, evangelization must simply be part of the fabric of who we are, like Word, Sacrament, Service.

—Laureen Brunelli,
Director of Evangelization