

ST. MARTIN OF TOURS

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Pastor: Msgr. Thomas A Martin

Mass Schedule: Sat 5:30p Sun 8:00a & 11:00a Wed & Fri 9:00a **Reconciliation:** Sat 10a or by apt. **Office Hours:** Mon—Fri 9a-4p

Website: www.stmartinvicksburg.org **Facebook:** facebook.com/stmartinofoursofvicksburg **Flocknote:** stmartinvicksburg.flocknote.com

MASS INTENTIONS & SCHEDULE

Jan 20 10-11a Reconciliation

Jan 20 10:30a Pack the House

Jan 20 5:30p Mass For the People of St. Martin

Jan 21 8:00a Mass †The Deceased Members of the S. Kim Lee Family

Jan 21 9:30a Sunday Morning Adult Study Group

Jan 21 11:00a Mass †Bob McCowen by the McCowen Family

Jan 22 6:00p Bible Study w/ Msgr.

Jan 24 9:00a Mass †Jay Smith by John & Mary Livingston

Jan 25 7:00p OCIA

Jan 26 8-9a Adoration

Jan 26 9:00a Mass †Walt Wunderlin by Devon Swiat

Jan 27 10-11a Reconciliation

Jan 27 5:30p Mass †Ron Feist by Devon Swiat

Jan 28 8:00a Mass For the People of St. Martin

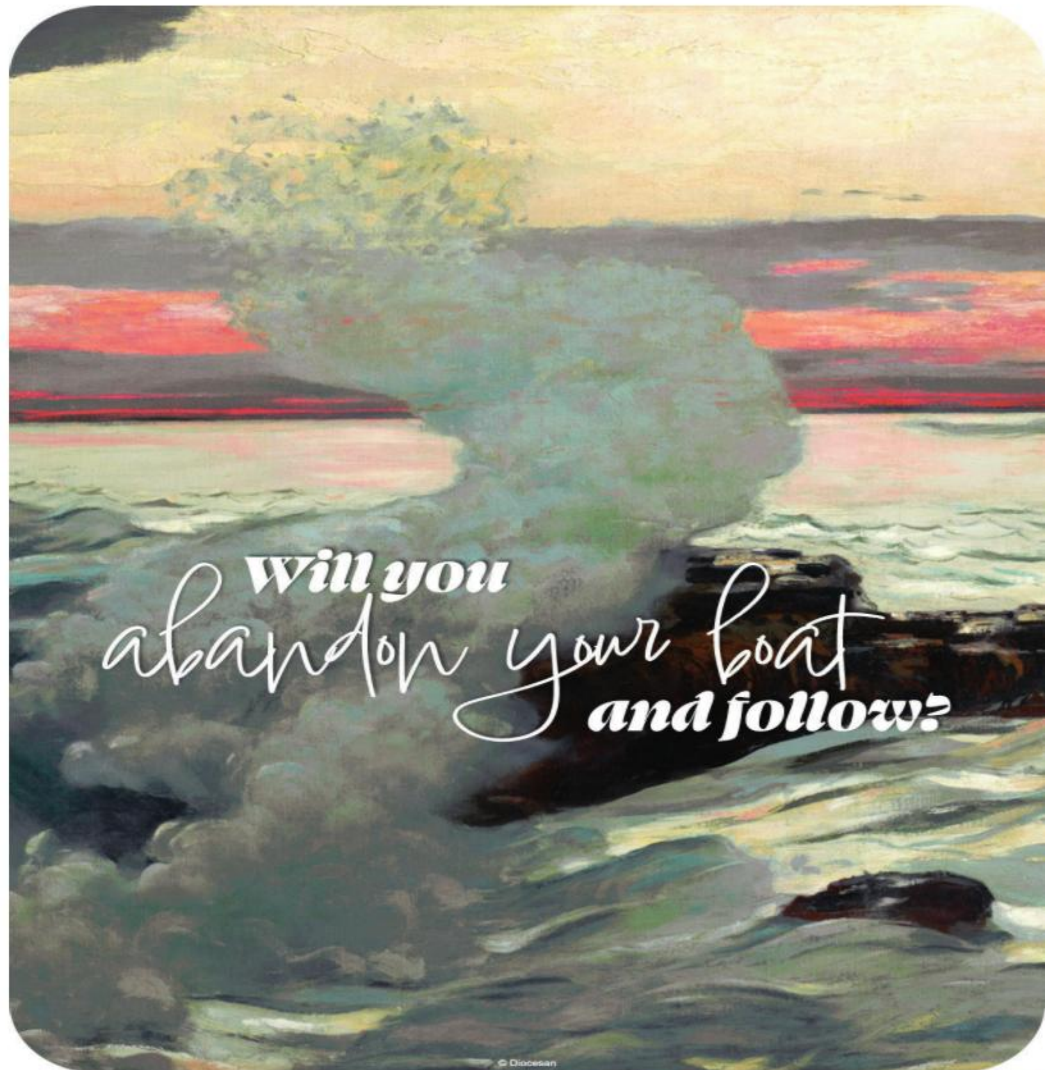
Jan 28 Coffee & Donuts after Mass

Jan 28 9:30a Sunday Morning Adult Study Group

Jan 28 11:00a Mass †Jay Smith by Ron & Janet Gingerich

Jan 28 5:00p Youth Night!

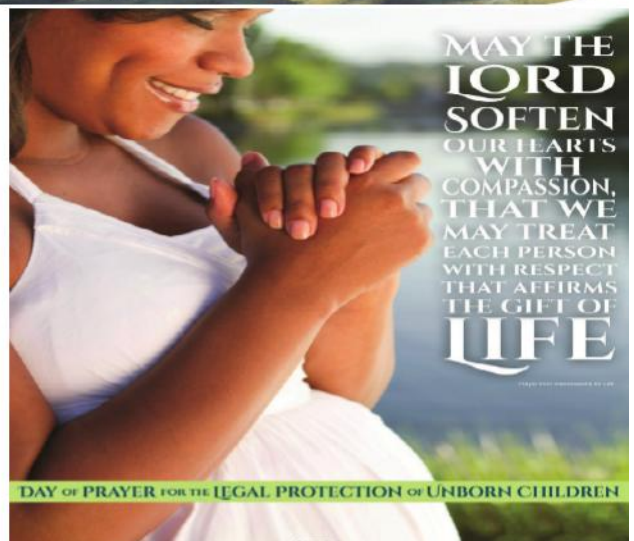
MORE USHERS NEEDED: Dear Parish Family, now that we have returned to having the ushers take the Sunday collection as in pre-pandemic times, we also need to return to four ushers at each Mass. More ushers will be needed at all the Masses. If you are able to volunteer, there are forms in the narthex next to the weekly bulletins or you may call the parish office and leave your contact information. Once Sue receives your information, she will contact you about training. **Thank you in advance and God Bless!**



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INSIDE OUR PARISH

THIS WEEK! ST. VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY MEETING (1/22 @1P), BIBLE STUDY W/ MSGR. (1/22 @ 6P), HALOS MEETING (1/23 @ 1P), ADORATION (1/26 @ 8A), YOUTH NIGHT (1/28 @ 5P) NEED INFO? CONTACT PARISH OFFICE!

PARISH SUPPORT JAN. 14

Envelopes:64

Weekly Goal:\$6,826.92

Collection envelopes:

\$3,810.00

Mailed in envelopes:

\$781.00

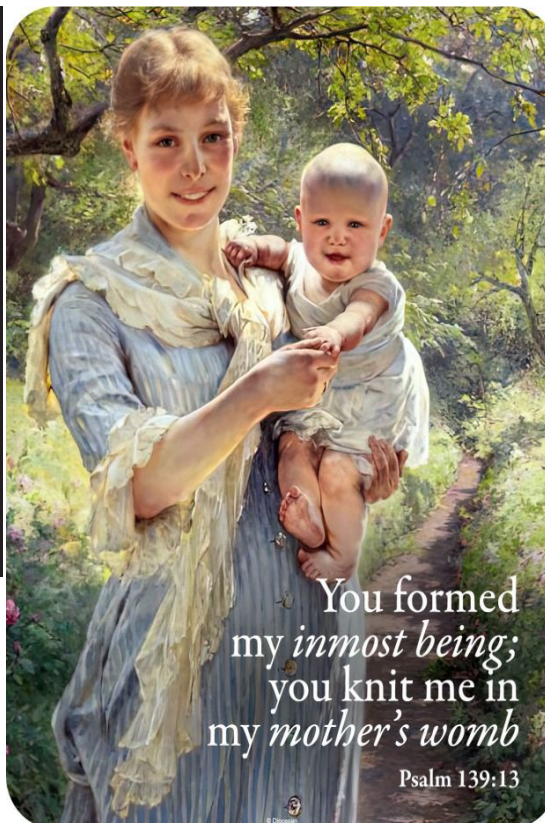
Total Collection:

\$4,591.00

Purchase Raise Right cards Mass
and in the Church Office.

**THANK YOU FOR THE GENEROSITY
OF YOUR GIFT!!!**

Crucifix for Vocations: Our Crucifix for Vocations is available to sign-up for a two week period to pray for religious vocations to come forth from our parish community. The sign-up sheet, along with the crucifix, is located on the Religious Education table in the narthex. God bless all discerning!



IN OUR PARISH AND IN OUR AREA

PLEASE PRAY FOR

Alexandra & David	Marilyn
Scott	Alice Mary
Jody Cunningham	Loretta Nichols
Jeanie	Vickie Pearl
Karen Garcea	Mike Q
Meaghan & Family	Paul Sehy
Frank/Sara/Mike	Soltis Family
Mr. & Mrs. Jacobs	Jennifer Stocki
Jean and Dennis	Kassidy
Jerry	Mike VanNoorloos
Anna	Walt Wesoloski
Christina Kelley	TJ Williams
Bill Loveland	Aiden Woodard
Lucy	Connie Zablocki

**FOR IMMEDIATE AND
CONFIDENTIAL PRAYERS**

Email deena.christine@yahoo.com
or Call the prayer line @ 269-303-8016.

Check Out Our Website, Take a Look at our Quarterly "St. Martin Messenger", Sign-Up for Flocknote: Our parish website (www.stmartinvicksburg.org) is slowly going through some updates, so please check it out! You'll find our latest edition of the "St. Martin Messenger" on the webpage, which details some of the goings-on from various ministries within our parish. Also you'll find a spot to sign-up for our parish Flocknote, which keeps you connected to parish offerings via periodic email and text alerts. If you have any questions about these or anything else, please contact the Parish Office! God bless!

The Parish Vitality Survey Committee would like to thank you all very much for your prayers, participation, and involvement in the survey and/or listening session process! We have gathered all of the information you've provided and will be presenting this to the Parish Council very soon. Please be on the lookout for the next step in this journey coming soon. Thank you each again and God bless you!

South County Community Services Food Pantry requests for January are canned chicken, canned pineapple, condensed cream of mushroom soup, egg noodles. Household needs are deodorant and bar soap. Thank you for your generous support of our pantry in 2023!

9 Days for Life Novena: You're invited to join thousands of Catholics nationwide in prayer for the protection of human life during a special novena called 9 Days for Life. Visit 9daysforlife.com to sign up to receive daily prayers from January 16th through the 24th.

Wine, Dine & Bingo!!! All Ladies, do you have gifts received in the past that you have not been able to use? Would you be willing to donate to the HALOS for a fun afternoon being planned in February? We have put a basket in the narthex with a sign for Regifts. Please leave your items in the basket. We thank you in advance! Mark your calendar for Saturday, February 3, 2024, at 11:30 a.m. **Wine, Dine & Bingo. St. Edward Ladies,** you are invited. Ladies, sign-up in the narthex for this event please!

THE KALAMAZOO DIOCESAN COUNCIL OF CATHOLIC WOMEN in conjunction with Catholic Charities' Hispanic Ministry office invites you to a Women's Lenten Day of Reflection: *Encountering Jesus in the Eucharist*, Saturday, March 2, 2024, 8:30 a.m. TO 3:30 p.m. St. Augustine Cathedral Parish, 542 W. Michigan Ave., Kalamazoo; Register by emailing KDCCW.REG@GMAIL.COM OR CALL ANN VRABLIC AT 517.812.3727. Please see the flyers in the narthex for more information!

REFLECTION FOR THE THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME: Our first two readings for this weekend have strong messages of get your life in order because the end is coming! Cities will be destroyed and lives will be put on halt. God is calling for a change in how we live our lives and how we treat one another, but most importantly, how we find our relationship with God.

In coming to the Gospel, we see that this time and day of change is really more about fulfillment. Leave behind the days of distractions and self-seeking and sin and turn from these to follow the way of the Kingdom of God. Having God as our center, learning from Him through His Son Jesus, teaches you and I the way of fulfillment and happiness and brings us to a place that we simply would not be able to attain on our own. Our life with Jesus brings our lives to a place of considering others, freedom, and peace that doesn't end our life, but brings you and I to newer heights and newer hopes. Let us each find an opportunity today to leave behind and abandon something from our life and replace that with an invitation and permission to Jesus to come in and take residence.

LECTOR & USHER SCHEDULE

Jan 27 5:30p Lector: Roger V

Ushers: Nick & Barb O, Carol W, Brian C

Raise Right: DeWolff

Jan 28 8:00a Lector: Priscilla S

Ushers: Al & MaryAnn K, Bill Z, Volunteer

Raise Right: Bloom

Jan 28 11:00a Lector: Amy S

Ushers: Coleen V, Cindy J, Volunteers

Raise Right: Goldsmith-Moore

ATTENTION MIDDLE AND HIGH SCHOOL AGED YOUTH!

Youth Night - Sunday January 28th from 5 - 7 pm

The Presence Eucharistic Retreat for high schoolers is March 1-3 2024 at Camp Geneva in Holland, MI. Registration is \$135. Meet Catholic youth from around the Diocese, great speakers, time for Mass, Adoration, Praise & Worship, Prayer. Contact Michelle!

CHWC registration is on for our trip to New Castle, Pennsylvania (June 9th—15th 2024)! Please email ym@stmartinvicksburg.org to register, to gather more information!

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IN OUR DIOCESE AND IN THE CATHOLIC CHURCH

The Home Heating Assistance Program has begun for the 2024 season! If you know someone in need of emergency heating assistance, please contact 269-381-9800 or homeheating@ccdok.org. We have many volunteers throughout the diocese to assist neighbors in need. If you are interested in donating to the assistance fund, please visit <https://ccdok.org/donate-today/>. Thank you!

Creative Connections (a Zoom fellowship session for persons with disabilities, which includes time to catch-up, reflect on Scripture, and opportunity to pray together) – 3rd Sunday every other month from **1:00-2:00 pm January 21** and March 17

Young Adult Faith Formation & Fellowship (YAFFF): If you are between the ages of 18 to 35 be sure to join us for YAFFF! Forming bonds with fellow Catholics while encountering the questions of our day and discussing these through the lens of our relationship with Jesus Christ and His Church is our goal. **Join us on this Monday January 22nd at 6 pm for Rosary at St. Philip Roman Catholic Church** (112 Capital Ave NE, Battle Creek, MI 49017) and afterwards, we'll continue the evening with dinner and fellowship at a nearby restaurant. Please let us know you're coming by going to stphilipbc.org/young-adult-faith-formation-fellowship. God bless you!

Circle of Friends This gathering for adults with cognitive/developmental disabilities is a time of fellowship, activities and reflection on the Sunday readings and a simple dinner. We will gather on the 4th Wednesday of the month from 6:00 – 7:30p.m in the Fellowship Room in the Stanley Centre at St. Catherine of Siena, 1150 W. Centre St., Portage. All are welcome! Upcoming gatherings are Jan. 24, Feb. 28, Mar. 27, and Apr. 24. Contact Lisa Irwin, lisairwin@ccdok.org or 381-9800 x227 to RSVP or for more information.

Please see the flyers on the bulletin boards in the narthex for more information or contact Lisa Irwin to register at lisairwin@ccdok.org

The Knights of Columbus Council 6980 of St. Catherine of Siena will be hosting a chili cook off at St. Catherine of Siena church in Portage on Jan 27th at 5:00 pm. The cost is \$12 and children under 12 will be free. All proceeds will go to Diocesan and K of C charities as well as St. Catherine of Siena parish projects.

Caregiver Connections (for caregivers of folks with disabilities, these Zoom sessions offering an opportunity to build relationships, share experiences, and create a supportive community) – 1st Sunday of the month from 1:00-2:00 pm
February 4, March 3, April 7, May 5, June 2

Diocese of Kalamazoo Cursillo - Upcoming Events: Feb 4 - Please join us at the Ultreya, praying with the #77 Men's Team as they prepare for their upcoming weekend at Immaculate Conception (Three Rivers, 4-6p); Feb 22-25 Men's #77 Weekend
March 17 and April 13 or 14 - Ultreya, Location to be determined

Next Women's Weekend: October 17-20, 2024

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