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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/stmartinoftoursofvicksburg Flocknote: stmartinvickburg.flocknote.com

MASS INTENTIONS & SCHEDULE

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!

Jan 29 6:00p Bible Study w/ Msgr.

Jan 31 9:00a Mass †For the Souls in Purgatory by S. Kim Lee

Feb 01 7:00p OCIA

Feb 02 8-9a Adoration,& then from 9:30a - 7:00p

Feb 02 9:00a Mass †E.J. Shick by Margot Shick

Feb 03 10 - 11a Reconciliation

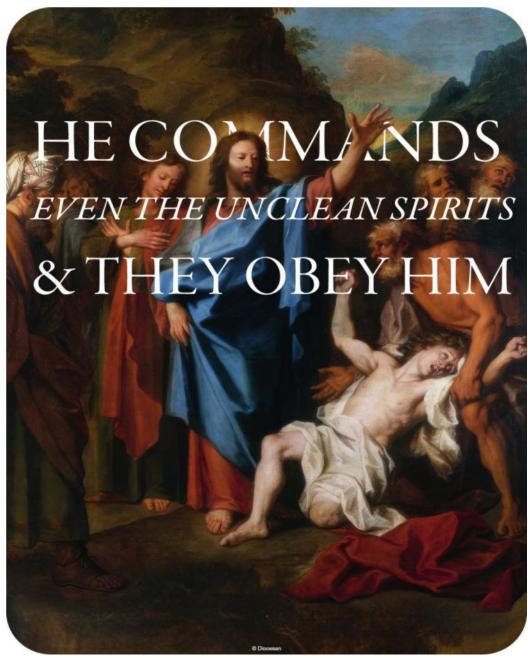
Feb 03 5:30p Mass †Fred Maxa by Devon Swiat

Feb 04 8:00a Mass †The Deceased Members of the S. Kim Lee Family

Feb 04 9a - 1p Farmers Breakfast

Feb 04 9:30a Sunday Morning Adult Study Group

Feb 04 11:00a Mass For the People



MORE USHERS NEEDED: Dear Parish Family, now that we have returned to having the ushers take the Sunday collection as in prepandemic 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! YOUTH NIGHT (1/28 @5P), BIBLE STUDY W/ MSGR. (1/29 @ 6P), ADULT EDUCATION MEETING (1/30 @ 1P), ADORATION (2/2 @ 8-9A, 9:30A-7P), HALOS WINE, DINE, & BINGO (2/3 @ 11:30A-1:30P) NEED INFO? CONTACT PARISH OFFICE!

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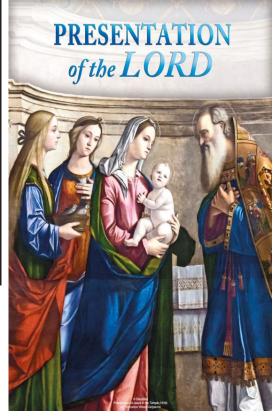
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Crucifix for Vocations: Our Crucifix for Vocations is available to sign-up for a two week period to pray for religious vocations to come forth from our parish community. The sign-up sheet, along with the crucifix, is located on the Religious Education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



PLEASE PRAY FOR

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

IN OUR PARISH AND IN OUR AREA

Lent is a perfect time to further engage our relationship with Jesus! Beginning Friday February 16 at 6 pm and continuing each Friday after until Holy Week, we'll have Stations of the Cross in the church followed by Soup & Bread dinner in the Parish Hall. Sign-up sheets for the soup and bread can be found on the bulletin board near the west entrance. God bless!

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 of-fice 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!

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!

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!

REFLECTION FOR THE FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME: It is often asked by young and old alike, "How do I hear the voice of God in my life?" And it is a very good question, as we don't hear God speaking to you and I like we speak with one another. Our communication with God usually is most readily available by reading and/or hearing His voice through the Bible or perhaps through timely advice from a loved one.

Our readings for this weekend provide some examples of how God communicates with His people. I think something that is helpful for us, in our quest to find and hear God's voice in our life, is that when God speaks, His Word is both reasonable and powerful. One of the classical understandings of God is that He is truth, so when He speaks His message is one that makes sense. Now, we might need to sit with that message for a moment or two, but as we do this exercise we'll come to find God's truth and wisdom present within. God's Word is powerful as well, as His words brings about great effects ("Quiet! Come out of him!' The unclean spirit convulsed him and with a loud cry came out of him."). I mean, His Word creates the heavens and the earth; He certainly can create great things within you and I as we permit Him!

LECTOR & USHER SCHEDULE

Feb 03 5:30p Lector: Pam T

Ushers: Ken & Gail D, Doug & Deb S

Raise Right: DeWolff Feb 04 8:00a Lector: Karen S

Ushers: Joe S, Melissa C, Joe R, Volunteer

Raise Right: LeVan

<u>Feb 04</u> 11:00a Lector: Zachary S Ushers: Mike & Kris B, Volunteers

Raise Right: Musselman

ATTENTION MIDDLE AND HIGH SCHOOL AGED YOUTH!

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

Knights of Columbus Farmers Breakfast Feb. 4th has proceeds going towards Youth Ministry @ St. Martin! Come support & meet us at the breakfast & hear about what we do!

Community Service Day: We'll be cleaning the church Sat. Feb. 10th w/ pizza and fellowship to follow afterward. Our Service Day will replace the Youth Night on Feb. 11, so come and clean and have some fun serving our beautiful St. Martin of Tours Catholic Church!

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IN OUR DIOCESE AND IN THE CATHOLIC CHURCH

St. Paul Street Evangelization Basic Evangelization Training: Want to know what authentic, non-confrontational, joyful evangelization looks and sounds like? Then make sure to attend our upcoming workshop with St. Paul Street Evangelization Vice President Adam Janke on Saturday, March 9, 8:00am – 3:30pm, at St. Mary Catholic Church in Kalamazoo. This non-profit, grassroots organization has mobilized thousands of ordinary Catholics to get out there on the streets and help God save souls.

Our one-day Basic Evangelization Training with SPSE is open to all. Registration is \$20 and includes, lunch and all training materials. You can register online at http://stpaulse.com/kalamazoo.

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. Our next session is March 17 from 1:00-2:00 pm.

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 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 **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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