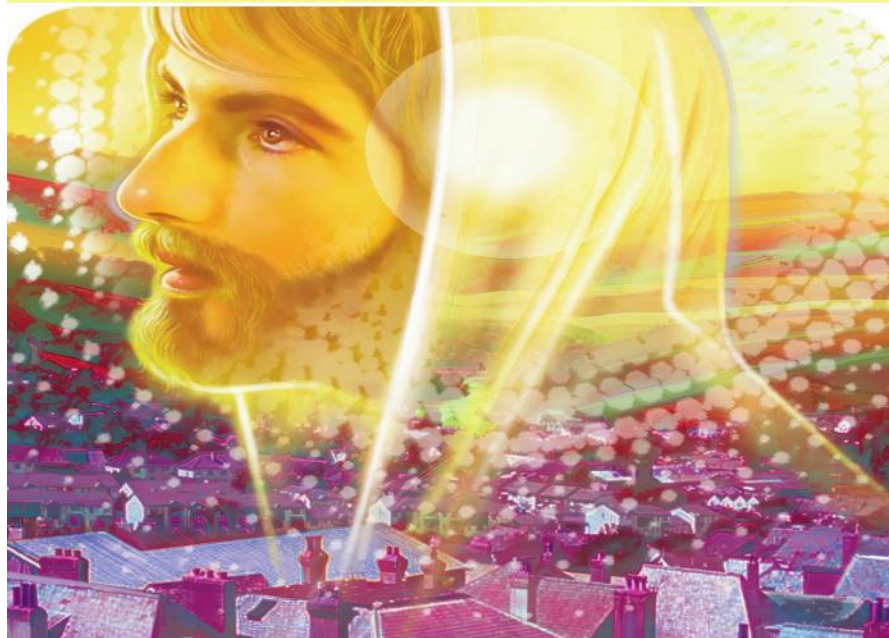


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Visit us in the Narthex to see the dates, times, and options for helping YOUR community make this our best sale ever. This is a great opportunity to put charity into action, make new friends and serve both the Church and our community. Sign-up sheets are in the Narthex!



Rummage Sale

We will definitely need people on Sunday July 27 after the 8:00 am Mass to set up the parish hall to get ready for collecting donations on Monday the 28th.

BAGS AND BOXES The Rummage Sale is asking you to save brown paper bags with handles and cardboard "ream" and "bankers" boxes (11x17.5). Please bring in your bags and boxes the weekend of July 26/27, when the set up for the rummage sale begins. Collection of items for the rummage sale will begin Monday, July 28 and run through Thursday, July 31.

Rummage Sale Collection Times: Mon. July 28th: 9a-3p & 6p-8p;

Tues. July 29th: 9a-3p; Wed. July 30th: 9a-3p & 6p-8p; Thurs. July 31st: 9a-3p

Mass Schedule: Sat 5:30p Sun 8:00a & 11:00a

Daily Mass Schedule: Wed & Fri 9:00a

Reconciliation: Sat 10a or by apt.

Office Hours: Mon—Thurs 9a-4p, Fri 9a-12p

Website: www.stmartinvicksburg.org

Flocknote: stmartinvicksburg.flocknote.com

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MASS INTENTIONS & SCHEDULE

July 26 10 - 11a Reconciliation

July 26 5:30p Mass + Edgar Nichols by Jim & Monica Rasmussen

July 27 8:00a Mass + Carl Takacs by Jay & Rosemary Cotter

July 27 11:00a Mass For the People of St. Martin

July 28 6:00p Bible Study w/ Msgr.

July 30 9:00a Mass + Ron Feist by Dcn. Tom & Pam Thamann

Aug 01 Parish Office Closes at Noon

Aug 01 8-9a, 9:30a-7p First Friday Adoration

Aug 01 9:00a Mass + Mike Anderson by Roger & Susan VanderBeek

Aug 02 10 - 11a Reconciliation

Aug 02 5:30p Mass + Trisha DeWolff by Mom, Dad, & Jennifer DeWolff

Aug 03 8:00a Mass For the People of St. Martin

Aug 03 11:00a Mass + Stacie Sokolowski by Devon Swiat

This Week at St. Martin:

7/28-31 - Rummage Sale Collection (Times at Left)

7/28 - Bible Study w/ Msgr. Martin at 6:00 pm

8/1 - Parish Office Closes at Noon

8/1-2 - Rummage Sale Sorting & Pricing

8/3 - Knights of Columbus Family Picnic (Hessling's)

Want more info? Please contact the Parish!

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The **Sanctuary Lamp** burns to declare that our Lord Jesus Christ is truly present: Body, Blood, Soul and Divinity in the tabernacle. The candle for our Sanctuary Lamp is provided this week in memory of

**July 27 - Aug 02 † Stacie Sokolowski
by Lisa Sokolowski**

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Do you speak Spanish? St. Vincent de Paul is in need of a few people to translate for us at the Aleman Center on Tuesday nights in July and August. The Aleman Center is part of the Diocese of Kalamazoo's outreach to our brothers and sisters who come to Southwest Michigan to pick the crops. For more info, please contact Lisa Irwin at 269-598-2519.

South County Community Services food pantry requests for July are canned tuna, peanut butter, jelly, elbow macaroni, crackers, toothpaste and toothbrushes. Thank you for your continued support of our local pantry!

IN OUR PARISH AND IN OUR AREA

Adoration at St. Martin of Tours: "Could you not watch one hour with Me?" (Mk 14:34) As we continue celebrating the Resurrection of our Lord, please remember to stay close to the calendar on the front of our bulletin for our opportunities for adoration, and that the church is always open for us to pay a visit to our Lord in the tabernacle (Mondays-Fridays from 9a - 4p). We continue to have adoration once-a-month on Wednesday at St. Martin's (usually the 3rd Wednesday of the month from 6:30p-7:30p) and once-a-month on Wednesday at St. Edward's (usually the 1st Wednesday of the month from 6:30p-7:30p), before Mass at 8:00 am every Friday, and all day on first Fridays (8:00a-9:00a, 9:30a-7:00p). Please see the sign-up sheet in the narthex for a time that will be just yours and His.

Stamp Ministry: The Sisters of the Holy Cross would like to receive your canceled stamps on your incoming mail to help the poor! For more information, including guidelines and examples of beneficial stamps, please see the flyer in the narthex on the Prayer Resource Table or contact Deena Anderson at (269) 303-8016.

KOFC Council 13305 Family Picnic The Family Picnic is at 1:00 pm on August 3, 2025 at the Hessling house. All members should RSVP the number of attendees to Chad even if the number is 0. This will help by getting the correct amount food and beverages, and also please bring a dish to pass. There will be food, land and water activities for fun and fellowship. Chad can be contacted by phone or text at 269-319-9105 or by email at Chad.Hessling@abbott.com. I hope to see you all on August 3, 2025!

Religious Articles on Sale from the Holy Land: On August 30th and 31st, Land of Peace, invites you to a special event. Following all Masses, Noel Alshomali from Land of Peace, a not-for-profit organization will be with us to shed light on the struggles faced by Christians in the Holy Land. This mission aims to bring hope and support to Christian families and churches in the Middle East, who are enduring continuous violence and a decline in tourism. Your participation can help make a profound difference. Available for purchase will be religious articles made from Olive Wood, a material native to the Holy Land and Bethlehem. These items, including crucifixes and rosaries, offer a tangible connection to a land that holds deep spiritual significance. Please help to support this meaningful cause. For more information, please visit www.landofpeace.org.

Readers and Ushers: The next schedule will be prepared soon. The schedule will cover the time period between September 13th-November 9th. If you are able to anticipate any changes in your availability, please call the parish office and leave a message for Sue, or you may email Sue at pastoralcare@stmartnicksburg.org no later than Wednesday, August 6th.

REFLECTION FOR THE SEVENTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME: We see a great model of prayerful persistence from Abraham today. In a very kind and specific manner, Abraham is trying to get some precise data from God and how He carries out His love and mercy. In his petitioning, Abraham is constant in his approach and receptive in receiving God's answer.

In the Gospel, we hear Jesus give His "ask... seek... knock" instruction. Our divine teacher gives us the go ahead to bring to God that which is on our heart. Further, He backs this up with the reminder that God the Father is a loving father who gives His children that which they need.

So, for you and I, be faithful to and persistent in your prayer! Keep turning to God and be reminded of His love of you and of His desire to show His mercy. In your prayer, ask and be ready to receive; seek and be ready to find; knock and be ready to have the door open. Tell God what is on your heart; give God all your happiness, sadness, peace, confusion, joy, sorrow, loneliness, worry, fear, struggles, triumphs – everything that you are experiencing! Remember who you are... You are a child of God, who created you and loves you and that you have a divine purpose that He has specifically given to you.

ATTENTION MIDDLE AND HIGH SCHOOL AGED YOUTH! Summer Schedule!

-Saturday, Aug. 2 - Pool Party at the Hessling's Home

-Sunday, Aug. 17 - Youth Rally at St. Monica

All upcoming 6th graders are welcome to join in! Contact Michelle for more info!

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LECTOR & USHER SCHEDULE

Aug 02 5:30p Lector: Tammy R
Ushers: Ken & Gail D, Doug & Deb S
Raise Right: Doorlag

Aug 03 8:00a Lector: Priscilla S
Ushers: Ron & Jan G, Joe S, Bill Z
Raise Right: LeVan

Aug 03 11:00a Lector: Zachary S
Ushers: Will C, Jack C, Mike & Kris B
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IN OUR DIOCESE AND IN THE CATHOLIC CHURCH

Catholic Charities Diocese of Kalamazoo has a new Volunteer Needs Coordinator! Our own parishioner Melissa Centofanti is serving as the main point of contact for all donation drives and group volunteer activities that contribute to the success of Catholic Charities' programs throughout the diocese. There is an urgent need to help furnish four apartments that support the Youth Independent Living (YIL) transitional living program that provides young adults, pregnant woman and families with small children temporary living space, life skills (i.e. cooking, job searching, finances, etc.) and support transitioning to their next housing arrangement. These furnishings include futon or twin beds, small dressers, hangers, laundry baskets, trash cans, bath towels, toiletries, home cleaning supplies, plates/bowls/cups, silverware, pots and pans, cooking utensils, toasters, and more. Further, volunteer support to facilitate Like Skill Groups are needed as well. Any help here, especially before late July/early August, would be such a blessing! For a complete list of furnishing needs or questions about helping with life skills, please contact Melissa at 269-377-1957 or at melissacentofanti@ccdok.org. Thanks! God bless!

Effective immediately, the Diocese of Kalamazoo will begin receiving applications for candidates to enroll in the inquiry phase of diac-
nal formation! Additional information including the timelines, standards, requirements and applications can be found on the diocesan website at www.diokzoo.org/deaconformation. Informational meetings will be scheduled in each Deanery in August, with applications due by Sept. 15.

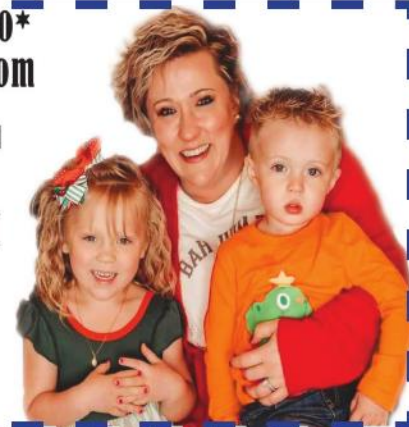
Hackett Catholic Prep is seeking qualified candidates for teaching positions in Math and Social Studies for the 2025–2026 school year. Interested applicants are invited to email Trevor Scoles at tscoles@hackettcp.org.

St. Martin of Tours on Facebook! You can see recent photos and videos of parish events and links to activities and info on St. Martin of Tours Vicksburg Facebook and connect with us to stay up to date on this social platform — just search St. Martin of Tours Vicksburg at Facebook.com or type in Facebook.com/stmartinvicksburg

SAFE ENVIRONMENT To comply with the policies and procedures set forth by the Roman Catholic Diocese of Kalamazoo Office of Safe Environment, the information below is run once per month in parish bulletins: The Diocese of Kalamazoo has and will continue to cooperate with the Michigan Attorney General's investigation and encourages anyone with information related to misconduct to call the reporting number set-up by the Michigan Attorney General's office at: 844.324.3374 The Catholic Bishop Abuse Reporting Service (CBAR) has been established to receive reports of sexual abuse and related misconduct by bishops and to relay those reports to proper Church authorities for investigation. To make a report, visit ReportBishopAbuse.org or phone (800) 276-1562. When a report includes a crime, such as the sexual abuse of a minor, it will also be reported to civil authorities. Otherwise, reports will be kept confidential.

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