

# Saint Vincent de Paul

## CATHOLIC CHURCH

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### Liturgy Schedule

Saturday 5:30 pm Vigil

Sunday: 9:00 am

Monday, Thursday (March), Friday: 8:30 am

Holy Day: 8:30 am

Confessions: Saturday 4:00 - 5:00 pm or  
any time by appointment

**Baptisms** are Sundays at 1:00 pm. Prior scheduling and Parent Preparation Class are required.

**Novena to the Sacred Heart** is prayed every Friday after the 8:30 am Mass.

**Rosary** is prayed at 8:05 am Monday, Thursday, Friday.

**Eucharistic Adoration** is held on Saturdays, 4:00 – 5:00 pm.

**Marriages** require a six month preparation period by Diocesan policy. Call one of the parish priests prior to setting a date.

**Funerals:** Arrangements are to be made at the Parish Office before publication of the death notice.

### Ministry to those who are Sick or Shut-In

Our Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion can bring the Eucharist to those parishioners who are ill, recovering from a hospital stay, shut-in, or otherwise unable to attend the Liturgies each Sunday. Please call the Parish Office to be placed on the schedule.

**Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (OCIA)** is the process by which adults are brought into the Catholic Faith through the Sacraments of Baptism, Confirmation and Eucharist. The OCIA meets weekly from September through April. Further information can be obtained by calling the Parish Office.

**New Parishioners** are always welcome. Please stop by the Parish Office to register at your earliest convenience.



### THE PRESENTATION OF THE LORD

**February 2, 2025**

**MONDAY, February 3, St. Blaise, Bishop**

8:30 am (JP) Nellie Keenan

**TUESDAY, February 4, Weekday**

7:00 pm (JP) St. Patrick Church

**WEDNESDAY, February 5, St. Agatha**

8:30 am (JP) St. Patrick Church

**THURSDAY, February 6, St. Paul Miki and Companions**

8:30 am NO MASS

**FRIDAY, February 7, Weekday**

8:30 am (JP) Eppink Family

**SATURDAY, February 8, St. Jerome Emiliani**4:00 pm No Confessions  
5:30 pm (JP) Kathleen Vlna**SUNDAY, February 9, Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

9:00 am (JP) Ralph B. Lichtenberg (B-Day)

**FEAST OF THE PRESENTATION**

This year the feast of the Presentation falls on a Sunday, offering the entire Sunday assembly the opportunity to share in the distinctive liturgical features of this day, including the blessing of candles. In some ways, this feast represents the last flicker of the Advent-Christmas season, commemorating the presentation of Jesus in the Jerusalem temple. In Vatican City, the large outdoor manger scene is left in place until this day. It is almost as if the Church just can't give up on celebrating the mystery of God-made-flesh. Even on this final feast of Christmas, the light of Christ still shines brightly for those who know how to see the glory of God revealed in Jesus. As we immerse ourselves over the next few weeks in Jesus' Sermon on the Mount, it is important to remember that the one who teaches us is Emmanuel, God-with-us.

**THEOLOGY ON THE ROCKS WEST- For Adults 40 and Over**

on Monday, February 10, 7-8:30pm with doors open at 6:30pm at the Westside Irish American Club, 8559 Jennings Rd, Olmsted Twp. Auxiliary Bishop Michael G. Woost will present a journey through the evolution of the Mass today, the rite, prayers, traditions, graces & the never-changing Eucharist. \$15 per person includes light appetizers, cash bar. Register in advance: [www.theologyontherockswest.com](http://www.theologyontherockswest.com).

**HOLY LAND GIFTS - After Mass Feb. 8 & 9**

There will be a display of handmade articles for sale such as Nativity Scenes, Crucifixes, Rosaries, and many other beautiful religious items. When you purchase one of these beautiful gifts, you are helping artisans in the Holy Land provide for their families who live and work with dignity in the region fraught with tension. Thank you for supporting this project to keep the Christians present in the Holy Land.

**COME AND SEE**

The Secular Franciscans were established by St. Francis of Assisi for those who desire to commit to live the Gospel life by following St. Francis of Assisi, and to live in the world and for the world. Our fraternity has been part of the West Park neighborhood at Our Lady of Angels since 1920. **The fraternity invites all to join us in prayer and theological discussions.**

**Where:** Our Lady of Angels, Stigmata Chapel**When:** Every 4th Sunday at 3pm

**Why:** To live simply and intentionally the Gospel teachings. To be more joyful and at peace with less focus on worldly ways. To grow and evolve in your faith and to do it alongside others that are similar minded. To live out the example of St. Francis of Assisi in ways that are practical in our everyday lives. Please contact **Mary Donlon at 216-402-3021** with any questions. God bless.

*As for Francis, so for Secular Franciscans, Christian discipleship is born of love for Him, a love so total and radical that they are brought to imitate the person of the beloved, and to a union with Him whereby they are conformed to Him who is the object of their love. (Br. Felice Cangelosi, OFM Cap)*

**WITH DEEPEST SYMPATHY**

Our parish extends its sincere sympathy to the family and friends of **Elizabeth Jonke**. May she and all our faithful departed rejoice in the kingdom of heaven. *"Death is the end of a lifetime, not the end of a relationship."*



Dear Parish Families,

This weekend we celebrate the Feast of the Presentation of the Lord. Our Masses this weekend begin, similar to how they begin on Palm Sunday, with a special blessing, except on this day we aren't blessing palms, we're blessing candles. Candles that will provide light as we celebrate the Eucharist, a Sacrament and a celebration that so light us on fire. Each of our parishes is called to be a candle in our neighborhood, burning brightly with the love of Christ, not just for our own sake, not just for our own sanctification, but to share with and to draw others into the light of Christ. But for that to happen most effectively we, as individual members, are called to be lit on fire. The one-on-one encounter and invitation is the primary piece of the whole evangelization process. Pope St. John Paul II once said, "In the long run is there any way of handing on the gospel than by transmitting to another person one's own personal experience of faith?" While the Lord certainly can work in large group meetings and gatherings and while He can certainly speak through many other ways, often the most effective way of evangelization is that one-on-one sharing of joy and faith.

We are all evangelizers. The call to share faith isn't a call just for a select few well-read and well-educated people or for those who bear a certain title. By virtue of our Baptism, each and every one of us is called to be an evangelizer. Each and every one of us is called and tasked with being a sharer of the good news. How do we do that? Is there some secret way to go about being an evangelizer? Yes, there is. But the secret is, is that it's not that hard at all. We don't have to attend a special class, we don't have to be a great speaker, we don't even have to fully understand every aspect of our faith.

The best way to start being an evangelizer is to name and to share the joy you've found in Jesus, the difference Christ has made in your life. Ask yourself, "Why am I Catholic? What does being Catholic mean to me?" The best avenue to start evangelizing is to simply share the joy you've found, the ways you've seen Jesus at work in your life. There is no set script, or order, or timeline, but before we start beating others over the head with facts, and deep theological facts and teachings, start by simply sharing the difference that Christ has made in your life with one person. The time for teaching and for sharing more deeply may come, but the first seeds are planted by that personal witness first.

Have a blessed week!

Fr. John

### **CATHOLIC CHARITIES UPDATE - "Transformed by Your Love."**

Thanks to the generosity of our parishioners, we have exceeded our parish goal of \$24,435 by 101.65% for a total of \$26,037.06 for the 2024 Catholic Charities Appeal! We are thrilled to reach this important milestone but the need continues. Every day, Catholic Charities is a resource for nearly 400,000 people, who rely on their services and programs. The work of Catholic Charities transforms lives, and so have you with your support. God bless you!



### **Offertory for January 19, 2025:** \$3069.00

Christmas: \$50.00  
Solemnity of Mary: \$137.00  
Diocesan Assessment: \$31.00  
Maintenance: \$40.00  
Initial Offering: \$30.00  
Catholic University: \$148.00  
Votive Lights: \$8.00 \$3513.00 T

### **Offertory for January 26, 2025:** \$1738.02

Solemnity of Mary: \$50.00  
Diocesan Assessment: \$65.00  
Maintenance: \$377.00  
Church in Latin America: \$262.00  
Initial Offering: \$5.00  
Catholic University: \$1.00  
Votive Lights: \$4.00 \$2502.02 T



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### **2024 CONTRIBUTION STATEMENTS**

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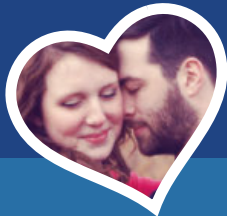
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