#### From Our Pastor

I found this image being passed around on social media. It's a cross-section of a blade of grass viewed under a microscope. Think how happy



we will be when spring comes and we can see the grass again. It's nice to know that the grass will be happy to see us too!



It makes me think of God's providence. Did God, from the beginning of creation, choose to design blades of grass as He did just so that one day a scientist would discover this and share it — so we could marvel and our

hearts could be cheered? Yes, I believe. God has embedded glory in all of creation – and blessings for those who will seek them and recognize God's beneficent hand.

Next weekend is Palm Sunday. If we could look deeply into a blade of one of our palm branches, what mysteries and love would we see? Stay close. Look closely. Lent is getting good.



### Ham Bingo

Saturday, Apr. 1 at 6 PM in the Gym

Don't miss the fun of exciting games, food for purchase, fun with friends, and the chance to win a delicious ham for your holiday meal. Food items for purchase include sandwiches or hot dogs, pizza, pop, coffee, water, candy, and chips.

There are 30 hams for Bingo prizes, plus 2 larger hams for raffle prizes! If you have any questions please contact Carl Crimmins at carden 1067@aol.com or 651-271-6442.

Bring the whole family and invite your neighbors and friends! Sponsored by the Knights of Columbus & St. Vincent de Paul School

## **Lenten Morning of Reflection**



#### Saturday, April 1 from 9 AM-11:15 AM

Participants will have an opportunity for a personal encounter with the Gospel through periods of silent prayer and short video reflections by Fr. Mark Toups. Light breakfast and coffee included. No cost. Free will offering encouraged.

Register online at saintvdp.org/adult-faith-formation.

Questions? Contact Christina at christinakrutza@saintvdp.org.

#### Food Drive Returns this Weekend

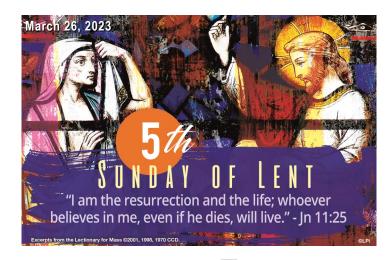


Please fill bags with non-perishable food and return them this weekend to benefit Community Emergency Assistance Program (CEAP). Thank you for your generosity! Contact is Okey at the Parish office: 763-762-7417 or okey@saintvdp.org.

# STATIONS OF THE CROSS

#### Stations of the Cross

Please join us on Fridays during Lent at 7 PM in the Church for the Stations of the Cross.





PARISH MISSION STATEMENT:

**KNOW** and celebrate our Catholic Faith,

LOVE God and our neighbor,

**SERVE** as disciples of Jesus Christ.

## CONTACT

Online: saintvdp.org

**E - Mail:** General: churchinfo@saintvdp.org

Prayer Line: prayerrequests@saintvdp.org

Parish Office: (763) 425-2210 School Office: (763) 425-3970

## **SACRAMENTS**

Reconciliation

Weekdays: 7:30 AM &

Saturdays: 3:30-4:15 PM or call to schedule an appointment.

Baptisms: Please call the office at 763-425-2210.

Matrimony: Please call the office at 763-425-2210.

## WORSHIP

Location

9100 93rd Avenue North, Brooklyn Park, MN, 55445

Masses

Monday-Friday at 8 AM

Saturday at 5 PM

Sunday at 7:30 AM, 9 AM, 11 AM

### **CCW Scholarships Deadline this Week**

#### Applications accepted until this Friday for CCW College Scholarships for the 2023-24 School Year

SCHOLARSHIP OPPORTUNITY

The CCW is offering two college scholarships in the amount of \$1000 each. One scholarship will

be awarded to a high school senior attending college in 2023-24, and one to a student already in college who is continuing their studies in the 2023-24 school year. Applicants must be members of St. Vincent de Paul Catholic Church and have a grade point average (GPA) of 2.5 or higher.



See the CCW page on the parish website for a link to the application and more information.

Applications available online and at the parish office. Deadline is March 31, 2023.

## Feed My Starving Children

#### This Tuesday, March 28 from 11:30 AM to 1:15 PM

Join our team to pack food at Feed My Starving Children, located at 401 93rd Ave NW. Walk-ins are not allowed. Masks are optional. Make new friends and spend time with "old" friends. After packing at FMSC you are invited to join us at Dick's Grill and Bar, downtown Osseo, for lunch. If interested contact Duane Crosland at dcrosl@aol.com to preregister.

### Fellowship 182 for Young Adults

# SVDP Young Adults are meeting this Tuesday, Mar. 28 from 6:15-7:30 PM in the Community Room

We're getting together to pray, to discuss the Lenten Scriptures, and to see what God is doing in our lives. We'll also have some



time to just hang out! For more information go to saintvdp.org/young-adults or email jschwartz@saintvdp.org. While you're there, sign up for our Flocknote to get all our updates

by texting SVDPYA to 84576 or fill out the contact form! Young Adult Events are for all parishioners between ages 18-39, their friends and their family. We look forward to seeing you soon!

## **CCW Spring Tea and Brunch**



#### Saturday, April 15

The CCW Tea & Brunch is a beloved annual tradition at St. Vincent de Paul. Tickets will be on sale for \$30 before and after all Masses

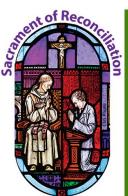
this weekend and next, or can purchased in the parish office.

Our celebration includes brunch, Irish entertainment,
and door prizes. Hope to see you there!

## **Community Room Renovation**

#### Construction expected to run April 10 — September 1

Along with Community Room updates there will be a new heating and ventilation system for this area and an ADA compliant restroom added. Carpeting in the Chapel and the West Meeting Room will also be replaced. Check out our website for more details. A new Kitchen and Lounge Area replaces the existing Kitchenette and Coat Room.



#### **Lent Confession Times**

Monday-Friday: 7:30—7:50 AM (not offered Holy Thursday & Good Friday)

Saturdays: 3:30—4:15 PM (not offered on Holy Saturday)

Friday, Mar. 31: 6-7:00 PM (2 Priests)

Sat., April 1: 2—4:15 PM (2 Priests)

Wed., April 5: 7—8:00 AM (2 Priests)

6—8:00 PM (2 Priests)

## **Perpetual Eucharistic Adoration**

To sign up or to be a sub, login to saintvdp.org/perpetual-adoration, or call JoAnne Newman at 763-420-4089.

Please help us to fill these urgent hours: Thursday at 1 AM & 2 AM; Saturday at 2 AM

## Join Us for the Divine Mercy Chaplet

3 PM on Wednesdays in the Church thru Apr. 6

Please call Terri Leeds at 763-370-3777 with questions.

All parishioners are welcome.

### Readings for this Week

Sunday: Ez 37:12-14/Ps 130:1-2, 3-4, 5-6, 7-8 (7)/Rom

 $8:8-11/Jn\ 11:1-45\ or\ 11:3-7,\ 17,\ 20-27,\ 33b-45$ 

Monday: Dn 13:1-9, 15-17, 19-30, 33-62 or 13:41c-62/

Ps 23:1-3a, 3b-4, 5, 6/Jn 8:1-11

Tuesday: Nm 21:4-9/Ps 102:2-3, 16-18, 19-21/Jn 8:21-30

Wednesday: Dn 3:14-20, 91-92, 95/Dn 3:52, 53, 54, 55, 56/

Jn 8:31-42

Thursday: Gn 17:3-9/Ps 105:4-5, 6-7, 8-9/Jn 8:51-59

Friday: Jer 20:10-13/Ps 18:2-3a, 3bc-4, 5-6, 7/

Jn 10:31-42

Saturday: Ez 37:21-28/Jer 31:10, 11-12abcd, 13/

Jn 11:45-56

Next Sunday: Mt 21:1-11/ls 50:4-7/Ps 22:8-9, 17-18, 19-20,

23-24 (2a)/Phil 2:6-11/Mt 26:14—27:66 or

27:11-54

## **Mass Intentions for March 27-April 2**

Monday 8:00 AM † Florence VanKeulen

Tuesday 8:00 AM † Leonard Hall Wednesday 8:00 AM † Pauline Havelak

Thursday 8:00 AM † Stephanie, Nolan, & Josie Shields

Friday 8:00 AM † Eugene Gustafson Saturday 5:00 PM † Warren Wills Sunday 7:30 AM Parishioners

9:00 AM † Lester & Lenore Willert

11:00 AM † Ken Lawinger

#### **Parish Office Hours**

Monday-Thursday: 8 AM – 3 PM & Friday: 8 AM – Noon

The early deadline is Friday at Noon for the Apr. 9 bulletin.