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Location

9100 93rd Avenue North
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Masses

Monday-Friday
at 8 AM

Saturday at 5 PM

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

SACRAMENTS

Reconciliation

Weekdays: 7:30 AM

Saturday:
3:30-4:15 PM

Or call to schedule an appointment.

Baptisms:

Call the office at 763-425-2210.

Matrimony:

Call the office at 763-425-2210.

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(763) 425-3970

From Our Pastor

Advent is a season in which we are invited to "Be strong and take heart!"

This year our parish is given a special blessing to help us to find strength and to encourage our hearts.

Our Archdiocese welcomes 18 new men to the Sacred Order of the Permanent Diaconate at an ordination Mass this weekend at the Cathedral. Two of those men are our very own parishioners of St. Vincent de Paul!



Deacon Michael McGinty and Deacon Patrick Spencer have been assigned, for a six-month period following their ordination, to minister here at our parish. At the end of those six months, they will receive a more long-term assignment likely at another parish.



Most Catholics encounter deacons at Mass – proclaiming the gospel, preaching, presenting the petitions, assisting at the altar, receiving the gifts at the offertory, making various proclamations, and purifying the sacred vessels.

But the ministry of the deacon is to remind us that the Christian call extends beyond the liturgy.

From the way that the deacon goes forth from the parish to care for the needy in the community, to the way that he serves his wife and family, to the virtuous labor he provides at his workplace – all his life is to invite us all to contemplate Christ's ministry of service to others. He is to be a window for us to a deeper reality and to draw us into a holy mystery – that we all are to participate in Christ's ministry of service.

Join me in welcoming Deacons Patrick Spencer and Michael McGinty. Pray also for two other men – Michael Gerads and Jason Miller. They also are parishioners of St. Vincent and are in formation to be ordained Permanent Deacons in three more years. May their example inspire more people to answer God's call of faith and service in their lives.



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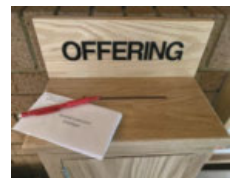
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2nd Collection This Weekend

Our second collection for December will be for Zanewood Elementary School's Food Drive. Zanewood is a neighboring school in Brooklyn Park that has many families in need of assistance.

This collection helps purchase Grocery Gift Cards for these families.

Please use your designated 2nd Collection Envelope included in your envelope packets or mark your donation as 2nd Collection.



Adoration for Vocations Holy Hour

**Tuesday, December 12 from 6:30-7:30 PM
in the Adoration Chapel at St. Vincent's**

This is a Holy Hour where we focus our prayer and time with Christ for an increase in vocations to the priesthood and consecrated life as well as spiritual support for the existing vocations. Come join us as we "pray to the Lord of the harvest."



The Dec. 17 bulletin deadline has passed.
The **early deadline** for the Dec. 24 edition is
this Wednesday, Dec. 13 at Noon.

Advent Night of Prayer & Adoration

This Sunday, Dec. 10 at 6:00 PM

Join us for a night of Adoration,
sacred music, and reflections
as we prepare
for the coming of Jesus Christ.

Multiple priests will be available to hear confessions.

Waiting in Joyful Hope

Parish Office Hours

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

Baptized into the Family of God

November 5, 2023

Landon John, son of
Kirk & Danielle Twaroski

Charlotte Roma, daughter of
Adam & Jennifer Trygstad

November 19, 2023

Collins Mary, daughter of
Tony & Paige Staples

Ari Rose, daughter of
Thomas & Becky Schumacher



Beloved

DISCOVER WHAT IT MEANS TO BE A
BELOVED DAUGHTER OF GOD!

Sundays
January 14th, 21st, and 28th
12:00-1:30 PM
Community Room

This 3-week series is open to any girls in
6th-12th grade.

To sign-up, scan the QR code or go
to <https://forms.gle/vVTMXYeQfXzdPiIBA>



Questions? Contact Caitlin
caitlingiles@saintvdp.org

Readings for this Week

Sunday:	Is 40:1-5, 9-11/Ps 85:9-10, 11-12, 13-14 (8)/2 Pt 3:8-14/Mk 1:1-8
Monday:	Is 35:1-10/Ps 85:9ab and 10, 11-12, 13-14/ Lk 5:17-26
Tuesday:	Zec 2:14-17 or Rv 11:19a; 12:1-6a, 10ab/ Jdt 13:18bcde, 19/Lk 1:26-38 or Lk 1:39-47
Wednesday:	Is 40:25-31/Ps 103:1-2, 3-4, 8 and 10/ Mt 11:28-30
Thursday:	Is 41:13-20/Ps 145:1 and 9, 10-11, 12-13ab/ Mt 11:11-15
Friday:	Is 48:17-19/Ps 1:1-2, 3, 4 and 6/Mt 11:16-19
Saturday:	Sir 48:1-4, 9-11/Ps 80:2ac and 3b, 15-16, 18-19/Mt 17:9a, 10-13
Next Sunday:	Is 61:1-2a, 10-11/Lk 1:46-48, 49-50, 53-54 (Is 61:10b)/1 Thes 5:16-24/Jn 1:6-8, 19-28

Reminder:

Please do not leave purses, shopping bags, or other valuables in your car while you are attending Mass or other events.

Also do not leave your purses unattended while receiving Holy Communion. Sadly, theft occasionally occurs on church grounds.

Perpetual Eucharistic Adoration

Sunday:	6 AM, 10 PM, 11 PM
Monday:	8 AM, 10 PM
Tuesday:	6 AM, 7 AM, 12 PM, 3 PM, 4 PM, 10 PM
Wednesday:	7 AM, 12 PM, 3 PM, 6 PM, 11 PM
Thursday:	6 AM, 12 PM, 1 PM, 9 PM, 10 PM, 11 PM
Friday:	10 AM, 11 AM, 12 PM, 1 PM, 2 PM, 4 PM, 5 PM, 6 PM, 8 PM, 9 PM, 10 PM, 11 PM
Saturday:	8 AM, 9 AM, 10 AM, 12 PM, 1 PM, 2 PM, 3 PM, 4 PM, 9 PM



We need adorers to help cover the hours that have only one adorer currently committed to attend (printed in black).

Mass Intentions for Dec. 11-17

Monday	8:00 AM	† Jackie Gustafson
Tuesday	8:00 AM	† Craig Biegert
Wednesday	8:00 AM	† Harry Shore
Thursday	8:00 AM	Genny Lessard
Friday	8:00 AM	Tom Schlangen
Saturday	5:00 PM	† Richard Neuman Sr. & Jr. and † Ellsworth Johnson Sr.
Sunday	7:30 AM	Parishioners
	9:00 AM	† Mary Jane Kline
	11:00 AM	† Don Pfau

ADULT ACTIVITIES

CCW Meeting

Tuesday, December 12 at 6:30 PM

Join us for our Christmas Party Potluck! Please bring a dish to share (tableware provided), and bring a wrapped "white elephant" gift for our "Unique Bingo" game.

St. Vincent de Paul Council of
CATHOLIC WOMEN

Please consider signing up for a 2024 committee:
Nominating, Scholarship,
Spring Luncheon. Job descriptions and sign up sheets will be available at the get-together.

Small Groups for Moms & Couples

YOU are invited to join The Temperament God Gave You small group for moms and couples

Do you want to better understand yourself, your spouse and your children? Do you desire strong friendships with other moms and couples just like you? Knowing your God-given temperament will help you become a better spouse, parent and friend. Join us for "The Temperament God Gave You: A Catholic Small Group for Parents of Young Children."

We meet twice a month between January and May at our parish. There will be a women's group and a couples group.

The cost for the women's group is \$55 and the couples group is \$75. Register at www.canafamilyinstitute.com/join-group. Contact Anna at annackreklow@gmail.com for information.

St. Vincent De Paul's Book Club

**Thursday, December 14 from 9:30 – 10:30 AM
in the Community Room**

This is a "social" meeting. We will not be discussing a book.

We will be writing Christmas cards to be delivered to the residents of The Villas at Osseo and will have time to socialize and share holiday treats.

Members are invited to bring a treat to share with the group. Beverages will be provided.

Optional for all members is a "Book Exchange." Anyone who is interested in bringing a book to give away can take a book that another member brings to give away.

Our first meeting of 2024 will be on Thursday, January 11. We will discuss The Latehomecomer by Kao Kalia Yang.



Please Use Caution with Snacks

If you are packing snacks for your children for Mass, please avoid nuts (especially peanuts), and colored juice that might spill and stain the seats.

Food Drive

St. Vincent de Paul is conducting a Food Drive for the Zanewood Community School

December 4–11, 2023

This year's drive will again collect **GIFT CARDS** instead of food donations.

Located nearby in Brooklyn Park, the Zanewood Community School has many families in need of assistance.

Ways to Give

1. **CASH** or Check Donations (made out to St. Vincent de Paul) will be used to purchase Gift Cards through SCRIP. These cards will then be donated to Zanewood. We participate in a program called SCRIP in which our school receives 4% of the card's value.
2. Donate **GIFT CARD(s)** from ALDI, HyVee or Cub in \$10 or \$20 Denominations. Please identify the amount on the card.



Men's Club Social This Week

**Wednesday, Dec. 13
from 6:30-9:00 PM
in Regan Hall**

All men of Saint Vincent's and guests are invited to join the Men's Club for a social evening

before Christmas. Please come for a meal of chicken chili and cornbread, beer and wine, optional card games and just hanging out. The evening is in lieu of our normal monthly "Into the Breach" series. There will be a free-will offering available to cover costs. Hope you can make it!



Sign up to Receive Parish Emails

Go to saintvdp.org/email-signup to sign up to receive electronic communications from our Parish. You will receive a weekly email update and other timely reminders of upcoming parish news and events. We respect your privacy and have taken precautions to avoid spamming.

2024 Pilgrimage to France

June 15-25, 2024 (optional extension to the 27th)

Join Fr. Jack Long, former pastor at SVDP, and Jeff & Emily Cavins and visit France, the land that shaped St. John Baptist De LaSalle.

Visit his hometown of Reims and the town of Rouen where he taught. Mass will be celebrated daily at important shrines.

Other highlights are a visit to the relics of St. Vincent de Paul, the beaches of Normandy, the home and convent of St. Therese of Lisieux and the Chapel of the Miraculous Medal. Optional extension to Lourdes. Visit www.jeffcavins.com/pilgrimage for full details or call 763-420-1074.



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A Message to the Parents of Our Youngest Parishioners:

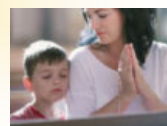
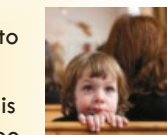


God put the wiggle in children; don't feel you have to suppress it in God's house.

Sit toward the front where it is easier for your little ones to see and hear what's going on at the altar.

Quietly explain the parts of the liturgy and actions of the priests, deacons, altar servers, choir, etc.
Sing the hymns, pray, and voice the responses. Children learn liturgical behavior by copying you.

The presence of children is a gift to the church, and they remind us that our church is growing.



Sharing & Caring Hands This Week



We appreciate you generous bakers who kindly provide us with cookies for dessert at the shelter. Please deliver them to the parish office by 10 AM on Wednesday.

Christmas Family Support

We have some desperate families on our waiting list for Christmas Help.

So, if you or your family missed the Giving Tree program or would like to do more for a less

privileged family, please contact Okey Anyanwu at the parish office: okey@saintvdp.org or call 763-762-7417.



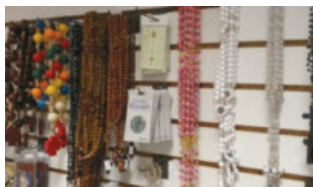
Visit St. Vincent's Gift Shop

Our Gift Shop is ready for Christmas and we have many gifts to choose from.

What an easy way to shop this year!



There are lovely religious statues and plaques, rosaries, books, sacred medals, and many other items that would be great surprises for the kids to enjoy and help them to grow in their faith life!

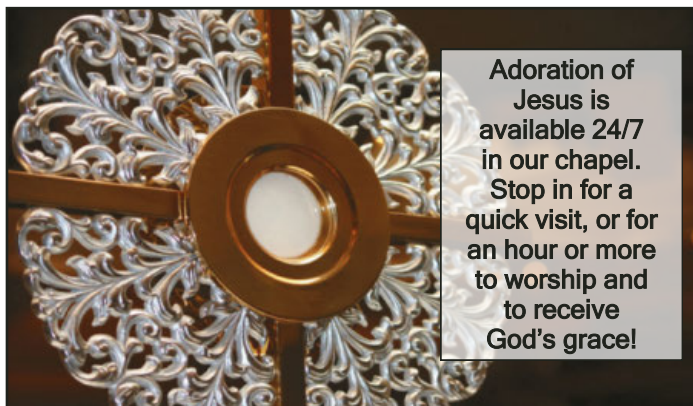


Stop in 15 minutes before and after all the weekend Masses.

Get Involved as a Gift Shop Volunteer

Meet other parishioners as you help out in our Gift Shop before and after the weekend Masses!

It's a small time commitment — about 15 minutes before and after the Mass you usually attend, and you are partnered with another volunteer. We appreciate all kinds of volunteers, including high school students, couples, senior citizens, and parents with their children. If you are interested or want more information, please call Kathleen at 763-420-5000.



Adoration of Jesus is available 24/7 in our chapel. Stop in for a quick visit, or for an hour or more to worship and to receive God's grace!

Feed My Starving Children

**Tuesday, Dec. 19
from 11:30 AM—1:15 PM**

We pack at the Coon Rapids site located at 401 93rd Ave NW.

If interested and available contact Joy Reinhart at reinhartj@gmail.com or Duane Crosland at dcros1@aol.com and they can get you pre-registered.

After packing join us for lunch in downtown Osseo at Dick's Grill and Bar.

We had 29 attendees in November! Great job everyone.



Caroling for Life

December 16, 8:00-9:30 AM at three sites in the Twin Cities: St. Paul, Robbinsdale and Bloomington



Caroling for Life brings the Christmas message of peace and joy to the darkness of the abortion facility. Join Pro-Life Action Ministries as we sing favorite carols reminding abortion-bound mothers that the salvation of the world became possible through the baby Jesus!

For more information, go to www.plam.org and click on "Events"

or contact brian.walker@plam.org or 651-797-6363.

Song leaders and musicians are needed to help lead the carols.

Don't sell your vehicle... Donate it!

Donate it to the Osseo/Maple Grove Knights of Columbus. We will provide a tax deductible receipt. We are looking for cars, trucks, and motorcycles. Call Paul Greninger at 763-425-7316.



Knights of Columbus Membership



Charity, Unity, Fraternity and Patriotism are the basic principles of the Knights of Columbus. Any man interested in learning more, please call: Robert Moreland at 763-557-0874; Tom Heltemes at 763-425-2314; or Ken Smith at 763-443-4268.

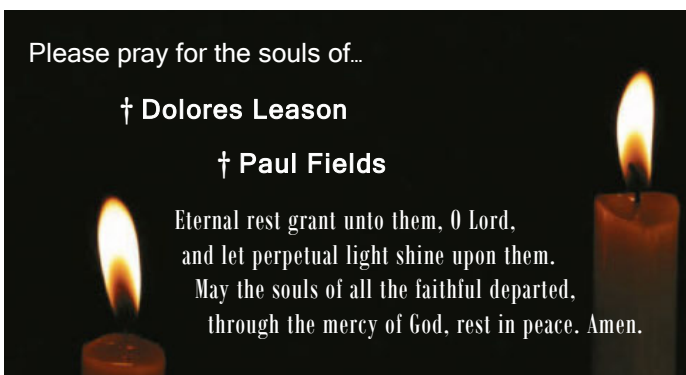
New members are always welcome! Find more information at kc9139.mnknights.org.

Please pray for the souls of...

† Dolores Leason

† Paul Fields

Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them. May the souls of all the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace. Amen.



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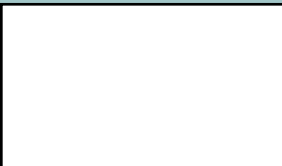
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