



St. Vincent de Paul Catholic Church

Third Sunday of Easter
April 23, 2023

Parish Mission

We are one Church: loving Jesus, serving Jesus, and sharing Jesus.

Parish Vision

We are a vibrant Catholic church serving a diverse community in a safe and welcoming environment where we care for all people along their faith journey.

Core Values

Discipleship • Hospitality
Serving • Worship

Weekend Masses

Saturday 5:00 p.m.
Sunday 7:30, 9:00, 10:45 a.m.,
3:00 p.m. (Spanish)

Weekday Masses

Monday 6:30 a.m.
Tuesday 6:30 a.m.
Wednesday 6:30 a.m., 5:15 p.m.
Thursday 6:30 a.m., 8:00 a.m.
Friday 6:30 a.m., 8:00 a.m.
Saturday 6:30 a.m.

Confessions

First Friday of month 12:00 noon
Saturday 3:30 - 4:30 p.m.
or by appointment

Congratulations to those celebrating First Communion!

Savannah Beasley
Emaline Boyer
Greta Buersmeyer
Quinn Davis
Vivian Deason
Amylia Dienstbach
Logan Dunaway
Maria Fuente Mondragon
Hadden Frazier
Elliott Hartke
Hector Herrera-Leon
Bonita Hendricks
Nina Herrera Figueroa
Graham Huey
Charlee Hunter
Brock Johnson

Daniel Koester
Hunter Litchfield
Beckham Lovegreen
Ellie Lovegreen
Beck Martin
Samuel Martin
Elle Miller
Stella Miller
Emmy Mills
Bradley McCormick
Jackson McDonald
Keaton Pfau
Gavin Ralls
A Bretz Repollo
Tyler Ressel
Carter Riley

Carson Schade
Ethan Schweinbold
Charles Seo
Louise Stiegemeier
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Abe Urhahn
Mia Van de Ven
Adela Vazquez
Ava Vick
Josephine Vollink
Luke White
Kalyen Wieser
Cora Wittenborn

Celebrants

Father Rick Jones • Father Alex Sutachan

Teachers

Kathy Hotop-Raines • Howard Lewis • Bridget Ringstaff

Director of Religious Education

Kathy Hotop-Raines

*"If angels could be jealous of men,
they would be so for one reason:
Holy Communion."*

ST. MAXIMILIAN KOLBE



??? Bible Quiz ???

We know the name of only one of the two disciples to whom the risen Jesus appeared on the road to Emmaus. Who was he?

- A. John
- B. Paul of Tarsus
- C. Joseph of Arimathea
- D. Cleopas



Answer: D (See Luke 24:18)

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• Mass Intentions •

Monday, April 24 St. Fidelis of Sigmaringen
6:30 am Ralph, Sr. and Edna Lape ☩

Tuesday, April 25 St. Mark
6:30 am Janet Knobbe ☩

Wednesday, April 26
6:30 am Edward and Clara Messmer ☩
5:15 pm Terry Star (living)

Thursday, April 27
6:30 am Pearl Powderly ☩
8:00 am Don and Sally Schloss Family (living)

Friday, April 28 St. Peter Chanel
6:30 am Tom Wencewicz ☩
8:00 am Bonnie Miller ☩

Saturday, April 29 St. Catherine of Siena
6:30 am Sister Catherine Coiner, OSB ☩
5:00 pm Joseph Moore ☩

Sunday, April 30 Fourth Sunday of Easter
7:30 am Living and Deceased Members
of the Lester and Bell Families
9:00 am St. Vincent de Paul Parish Family
10:45 am Robert Stroder ☩
3:00 pm Maria Juana Aceves ☩
(Bilingual)

• Prayer Requests •

Please remember the sick, the hospitalized, and those who care for them. Pray also for homebound St. Vincent parishioners.

The disciples on the road to Emmaus walked and talked with Jesus all day long, but it was not until they offered Him hospitality and He blessed and broke the bread that they recognized Him. Simple acts of loving kindness still reveal the presence of God in our midst.

Diocesan Development Fund

The annual Diocesan Development Fund appeal will be held on the weekend of May 6-7. This effort is conducted in every parish of the diocese to help finance the activities and ministries of the Catholic Church in southern Missouri. The parish goal for St. Vincent is \$285,000. Please keep the DDF campaign in your prayers.

Here are a few ideas to show your appreciation to your priests:

- Pray, fast and offer sacrifices for your priests.
- Send your priests a gift card to a restaurant, gas station, grocery store, Amazon, etc.
- Post a picture of you and your family with your priests on social media.
- Make a charitable donation in honor of your priests - St. Vincent de Paul Parish, St. Mary's Food Pantry, Birthright, etc.
- Volunteer in honor of your priests — there are plenty of opportunities in your parish! Be an usher, sacristan, volunteer for youth ministry, PSR, etc.
- Sign-up for Food for Fathers at <https://signup.com/go/asyQDwa>.



Collection - April 9, 2023

Collection	\$ 31,839.52
E-Tithing	\$ 3,687.00
Total	\$ 35,526.52
Weekly Budget	\$ 33,000.00
Difference (7-1-22 to 4-9-23)	\$ 60,595.55

Collection - April 16, 2023

Collection	\$ 24,039.73
E-Tithing	\$ 40,183.67
Total	\$ 64,223.40
Weekly Budget	\$ 33,000.00
Difference (7-1-22 to 4-16-23)	\$ 91,818.95

Thank you for being good stewards of God's gifts!

Eucharistic Minister Workshop

All current Eucharistic Ministers and past Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion (Eucharistic Ministers) are invited to attend the upcoming renewal workshop to be held in Church on **Wednesday, April 26, at 6:00 p.m.** Additional Eucharistic Ministers will be needed because Bishop Rice is now allowing parishes to offer the Precious Blood during Holy Communion. During the Covid crisis, as an act of caution, the reception of the Precious Blood was suspended.

eGiving with Faith Direct

Spring is in full bloom - God's glory is all around! If you want to help St. Vincent de Paul flourish, now is the perfect time to make the switch to eGiving. You can sign up from your computer, smartphone or tablet, and set up a recurring donation or make a one-time gift; you'll be growing the ministries that share the Good News of God's love.

Your recurring gifts will sustain and strengthen the parish. You'll provide St. Vincent Parish with consistent support that helps with programs, services, and ministries for church families and for those in need throughout the community. Sign up today by visiting faith.direct/MO885. Thank you for your continued support of the St. Vincent Parish family.

May He Rest in Peace

Sympathy is extended to the family of
John Robinson, a member of the St. Vincent Parish family.

*May he and all the souls of the faithful departed,
through the mercy of God, rest in peace.*



Restore RESTORE

A DAY OF FORMATION FOR THOSE CALLED TO PRAY WITH
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Catholic Home Missions Appeal

Next weekend, a collection for the Catholic Home Missions Appeal will be taken up at all Masses. Right now, nearly 40 percent of dioceses in the United States are considered home missions (including the Diocese of Springfield-Cape Girardeau) because they are unable to fund essential pastoral work needed in their communities. Your support of this appeal helps ease the struggle of these dioceses. Please be generous.

IS CATHERINE'S CUPBOARD ON YOUR GROCERY LIST?

• The Week Ahead •

Monday, April 24

Tuesday, April 25

2:00 pm Finance Council
5:30 pm Home and School
6:00 pm Tuesday Evening Bible Study

Wednesday, April 26

8:00 am Ugly Quilt Ministry
(8:00 - 11:00 am)
3:00 pm Divine Mercy Holy Hour
6:00 pm Parish School of Religion
6:00 pm Eucharistic Minister Workshop

Thursday, April 27

9:00 am Maxine's Shareable Wearables
(9:00 - 11:00 am)
9:00 am Thursday Women's Bible Study
5:30 pm Centering Prayer

Friday, April 28

Saturday, April 29

9:00 am Maxine's Shareable Wearables
(9:00 - 12:00 noon)
9:00 am Restore (Healing Prayer Workshop)
3:30 pm Reconciliation
6:00 pm Vincent's Vittles

Sunday, April 30

9:00 am Children's Liturgy

Readings - April 30, 2023

Acts of the Apostles 2:14a, 36-41
1 Peter 2:20b-25
John 10:1-10



Do you know that St. Vincent de Paul sends out an email of events happening in the parish every week? This is a great communication tool and it helps to keep people connected. If you would like to be a part of this communication, please contact Becky Kitchen, Social Media Coordinator, at kitchenbecky19@gmail.com and she will add you to the email list.

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Spring Music Concert

You are invited to a Spring Music Concert at the National Shrine of Our Lady of the Miraculous Medal in Perryville, Missouri, on **Sunday, April 30 at 6:30 p.m.** There will be various church choirs performing, including the Saint Vincent de Paul Parish Choir, Saint Vincent de Paul High School Choir, and a contemporary ensemble. More information can be obtained by calling 1-800-264-6279.

Solemn Profession for Bob Janota

Bob Janota, ofs, will make his solemn profession as a member of the St. Francis of Assisi Secular Franciscan Order, on Saturday morning, **May 6, 2023**, during Holy Mass, at 10:30 a.m. Services will be held at the Poor Clare Monastery, 200 Marycrest Drive in Oakville, Missouri. All are welcome.

May Procession

Please join the Association of the Miraculous Medal on **Sunday, May 7, at 1:00 p.m.**, for the annual May Procession at the National Shrine of Our Lady of the Miraculous Medal in Perryville, Missouri. The procession will form in front of Saint Mary's of the Barrens Church. Participants will pray the Rosary during the procession to the historic grotto on the Rosary Walk. The traditional May Crowning and prayer service will be a part of this tribute to Our Blessed Mother. All are welcome to participate. You are encouraged to bring a chair or blanket as there is limited seating at the grotto. For any questions, please call 573-547-8343, or visit the website www.amm.org.

Attention: Catholic Men

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Low-Gluten Hosts for Holy Communion

Low-gluten communion hosts are available at all weekend liturgies to those suffering from Celiac Sprue disease. The hosts, made by the Benedictine Sisters of Perpetual Adoration in Clyde, Missouri, contain 0.01% wheat gluten. They are accepted by the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops (<http://www.usccb.org/prayer-and-worship/the-mass/order-of-mass/liturgy-of-the-eucharist/celiac-disease-and-alcohol-intolerance.cfm>), and are recommended by the journal *Gluten-Free Living* as "perfectly safe" for sufferers of Celiac Sprue disease (Vol. 9, no. 1). The Diocese of Springfield-Cape Girardeau has approved these low-gluten altar breads for use in the Diocese. During a weekend Mass, the minister having the consecrated low-gluten hosts will be in the **center aisle** on the **left side**. When you approach this minister, just indicate that you need one of these consecrated hosts.

Campus Planning Update

Many parishioners have been asking about the work of the Campus Planning Team. Since the building of the new rectory and the razing of the old rectory two years ago, the Campus Planning Team has been meeting. The next project to be finished will be the parking lot to the south of the church where the old rectory was located.

After working with the City of Cape Girardeau and using the expertise of Bowen Engineering, there is a plan to move forward in May. The City asked that the plan include an area for water retention. This retention basin will be in the backyard of the house at 2000 Woodlawn, which the parish was able to purchase in December. (Note: The 2000 Woodlawn House is being reserved for a religious community of Sisters who may arrive in the summer of 2024. Until the Sisters arrive, the house will be used for other purposes.)

This new parking lot will have space for approximately 50 vehicles. On the parking area closest to church, there will be handicap parking. This is adjacent to a new ramp that will lead to the side door of church.

If you want to review the design, a display of the new parking lot is in the gathering area of church. In a few weeks, the Campus Planning Team will update you about the possible plans for the De Paul Center (old Notre Dame building).



**Congratulations to
Connor McGarr and
Morgan Thacker
who were recently
united in marriage.**

*Please continue to pray for
all married couples and
those preparing for marriage.*

Do you recognize Christ in your life and hope to make Him known to others? Perhaps you are being called as a priest, deacon, or consecrated religious? If you are considering the possibility, please contact Father Alex Sutachan at 573-335-7667 or email fatheralex@svparish.com.

Thank You

Thank you to all who *Walked the Journey Together* from Ash Wednesday to Easter 2023. The Discipleship Committee would like to thank everyone who picked up and used the second annual parish reflection booklet during their Lenten journey. Hopefully you were inspired by the many thought-provoking reflections written by St. Vincent's own parishioners.

This project takes several months to come to fruition. Along with the 46 writers, the Discipleship Committee would like to give special

thanks to Bridget Wengert for coordinating the project, to Rose Huff for editing and printing the booklet, and to the members of the Discipleship Committee who reached out to parishioners to secure writers for this year's booklet and edited the submissions.

Walking the Journey Together 2023 Writers

Christina Baer	Hannah Haden	Norma Parker
Debbie Baumgart	Alex Harold	Tony Peters
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Tiff Brey	Alex Hendrickson	Matt Reinagel
Rob and Kim Bunger	Diane Himmelberg	Bridget Ringstaff
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Alan Essner	Adriana Lira Madrigal	Charlotte Welker
Kali Essner	Dolores McDowell	Andy West
Brigid Farnham	Barb McKeon	Bridget Wengert
Stephanie Galati	Michele Moon	Becky White
Tyler Gill	Jeremy Nichols	

Welcome to St. Vincent de Paul

If you would like to register for the parish, change your address, or simply have questions, please fill out the form and place it in the collection basket. You may also mail it to the parish office at 1913 Ritter Drive, Cape Girardeau, MO 63701. Please free to contact parish office staff anytime during regular office hours, Monday - Friday, 8:00 a.m. - 4:30 p.m. You may email the parish office at contactus@svparish.com or call 335-7667. A parish registration form is available at <http://www.svcape.com/Parish/>.

Name _____

Street Address _____

City/State/Zip _____

Email _____ Phone _____

- ☐ I am new to Cape Girardeau. ☐ I am new to St. Vincent de Paul Parish.
- ☐ I have been attending St. Vincent Parish and would like to register as a member.
- ☐ Please change my address to the one shown above.
- ☐ I would like to sign up for Faith Direct.
- ☐ I would like to learn more about the Catholic faith.
- ☐ I would like to register my child/children for Parish School of Religion.

Celebrating the Sacraments Celebrando los Sacramentos

Marriage: Please contact the parish office at least **six months** in advance. (If you have been married before, an annulment may need to be done first.)

Matrimonio: Por favor comuníquese con la oficina parroquial por lo menos con **seis meses** de antelación. (Si usted ha estado casado antes, una anulación del matrimonio puede necesitar ser hecha primero.)

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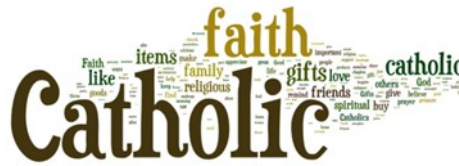
Baptism: Your family needs to be registered in the parish for three months prior to the baptism. It is necessary to schedule baptismal preparation classes six weeks prior to your child's baptism. Taking the baptism class prior to birth is encouraged! Contact Deacon Mark at the parish office (573-335-7667).

Bautismo: Es un requisito ser inscristos en la parroquia por lo menos 3 meses antes de bautizar. También los padres tienen que celebrar la santa misa cada fin de semana. La clase de preparación para el bautismo para padres y padrinos es cada último lunes del mes. Favor de comunicarse con Padre Rick una semana antes al 573-335-7667.

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Anointing of the Sick: If you are going to the hospital for a planned surgery, please call the parish office so this Sacrament can be celebrated with you.

Unción de los enfermos: Si usted va al hospital para una cirugía planificada, por favor llame a la oficina parroquial para que este Sacramento pueda ser celebrado con usted.



Do you want to explore the Catholic faith with the possibility of becoming Catholic? Perhaps a friend has expressed interest in the Catholic Church or someone who is not Catholic attends Mass regularly at St. Vincent with a relative or friend. Or maybe you are Catholic and want to study more about the Catholic faith? If so, then possibly RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults) instruction may be the next step. For more information, contact Deacon Mark Kiblinger at mkiblinger@svparish.com.

Employment Opportunities

Teaching Positions - St. Vincent de Paul School is currently accepting applications for the 2023-2024 school year for the following positions: **Second Grade Teacher** and **Early Childhood Educator**. Applicants should have current Missouri teaching certification. Preference will be given to practicing Catholics. If interested, send a completed application to Kay Glastetter at St. Vincent de Paul School. Applications may be found on the Diocesan website: dioscg.org, by calling the St. Vincent School office at 573-334-9594, or by emailing kglastetter@svcape.eduk12.net.

Summer Care Staff - St. Vincent de Paul Summer Care is looking for several individuals to join their staff from late May until the first week of August. Must be 18 years of age or older. Virtus training is required. For more info, please contact the school office or email 2023svssummer@gmail.com.

Coaching Openings - Notre Dame Regional High School, Cape Girardeau, is seeking applications for the following coaching positions: **Varsity Boys Basketball Coach** and **Varsity Baseball Coach**. Notre Dame is a Roman Catholic School in the Diocese of Springfield-Cape Girardeau. Preference will be given to practicing Catholics. Interested candidates should send their resume, cover letter, and a list of references to jeffgraviett@notredamecape.org. The application deadline for both positions in May 5, 2023.

Volunteers Needed

Share Pregnancy and Infant Loss Support, Inc. is a nationally recognized program that Saint Francis Healthcare System uses as a backbone to provide support and education to bereaved parents and family during the loss of an early pregnancy, infant, or stillbirth. The program provides mementos such as pictures, castings of the hands and feet, and burial gowns and suits for these precious babies. If you would be interested in sewing gowns and suits from donated wedding gowns, please contact April Bond, RN at 573-331-5917 or Sarah Beth Ross, RN at 573-225-0897 for more information.

The mission of Share Pregnancy and Infant Loss Support, Inc. is to serve those whose lives are touched by the tragic death of a baby through pregnancy loss, stillbirth, or in the first few months of life.

Extend mercy towards others, so that there can be no one in need whom you meet without helping.

This Week at Home

Faith in the One He Sent

Monday, April 24

Jesus offers the key to discipleship to the crowds following him from shore to shore, pleading for more miracles. Jesus instructs, "This is the work of God, that you believe in the one he sent" (John 6:29). There it is in a nutshell: have faith. How do we fuel ourselves as disciples? Daily prayer, faithfully attending Mass, reading Scripture, sharing our faith with others, and more. There is much to learn about the call to discipleship through the Scripture readings this third week of Easter. Attend closely. *Today's readings: Acts 6:8-15; Psalm 119:23-24, 26-27, 29-30; John 6:22-29.*

St. Mark

Tuesday, April 25

Today the Church commemorates St. Mark, disciple and evangelist. Mark's Gospel serves as a handbook for discipleship. We listen to the final words spoken by Jesus to his contemporary disciples and all who follow him forever after: "Go into the whole world and proclaim the gospel to every creature" (Mark 16:15). The mission of the Church and our call as Christian disciples continues to be to share the good news about Jesus Christ in our words, action, gestures, and relationships. *Today's readings: 1 Peter 5:5b-14; Psalm 89:2-3, 6-7, 16-17; Mark 16:15-20.*

Stand Up for Faith

Wednesday, April 26

The challenges of discipleship are on full display in today's passage from Acts. The early Christians suffered terrible persecution and the scattering of their communities. Christians have faced persecution across the centuries to this day. Stories abound about courageous stands for faith in the face of grave threats. No matter what, the disciples of the early Church persisted and brought many more followers to faith, growing the Church against all odds. *Today's readings: Acts 8:1b-8; Psalm 66:1-3a, 4-5, 6-7a; John 6:35-40.*

Called to Teach

Thursday, April 27

Philip demonstrates the call of discipleship to serve as catechist (one who "echoes" the faith). The eunuch seeks understanding and Philip responds, using the Scripture as his starting point, "telling him the good news of Jesus" (Acts 8:35). We are called to follow Philip's example as catechists, teachers, parents, and friends. Start with the Scriptures and unpack the truths of our faith, persistently sharing the joy of the Gospel with all who will listen. *Today's readings: Acts 8:26-40; Psalm 66:8-9, 16-17, 20; John 6:44-51.*

Called and Chosen

Friday, April 28

The reading from Acts tells the compelling narrative of the conversion of St. Paul on the road to Damascus. Proclaimed in this reading are the flash of light from the sky, the fall, the voice of Jesus, three days that St. Paul was blinded, scales falling from the eyes, and the call to discipleship. Most of us will experience our call to discipleship without the drama and stunned witnesses. Called on the day of our baptism, we are continually invited throughout our life to follow Jesus and serve as his voice, hands, and feet. Reflect on your call today. Embrace it anew in solidarity with St. Paul's faithful response. *Today's readings: Acts 9:1-20; Psalm 117:1bc, 2; John 6:52-59.*

St. Catherine of Siena

Saturday, April 29

Today the Church lifts up St. Catherine of Siena, mystic, healer, peacemaker, unifier, scholar, and writer. Catherine is a model for all who seek to listen deeply for the will of God and courageously step out to steer the Church to her fullest potential. St. Catherine of Siena, pray for us. *Today's readings: Acts 9:31-42; Psalm 116:12-13, 14-15, 16-17; John 6:60-69.*

Sunday, April 23

Remain Close

Today's readings: Acts 2:14, 22-33; Psalm 16:1-2, 5, 7-8, 9-10, 11 (11a); 1 Peter 1:17-21; Luke 24:13-35. The Gospel story that recounts Jesus meeting disciples on the road to Emmaus mirrors our journey of faith. Just as Jesus drew near and walked with the disciples, Jesus continually draws near and accompanies us on our path of life. Sometimes we see him right away and welcome his company. Other times, like the two disciples, our eyes are prevented from recognizing his presence. Nevertheless, Jesus persists in making himself known to us.

The disciples' response to Jesus is "Stay with us" (Luke 24:29). And he does, just not in the way they expect. First, he unpacks the Scriptures with them. Next, as he did at the Last Supper, he gives his real presence in the bread they share when they sit down at the table to eat together. So it is with us, every time we gather around our community table, the altar, Jesus stays with us. He becomes truly present under the appearance of bread and wine. We receive him into our very bodies, hearts, and souls.

As we journey through these Easter days, aglow with joy, God unceasingly pleads with us to "remain close." That can be done through keeping up the spiritual disciplines practiced throughout Lent. We can also remain close through being fully present at the celebration of the Eucharist, where Jesus draws near to us and invites us to spiritual union: communion.

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