

# St. Vincent de Paul Parish



February 5, 2012  
Fifth Sunday in  
Ordinary Time  
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## *Mission Statement*

*We, the people of St. Vincent de Paul Parish, are called by the Spirit to be Christ to one another and an expression of His love as a faith-filled community. We believe that: God has called us to a covenant relationship with Him to live lives of justice and charity. Love of God and neighbor is essential to our faith. The gift of Baptism in Christ calls us to be His disciples & gives us the power to do God's work. We have a responsibility to worship, proclaim, educate and serve.*

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**Bulletin Deadline Tuesday at noon**



**W**hen it was evening, after sunset, they brought to him all who were ill or possessed by demons. The whole town was gathered at the door. He cured many who were sick with various diseases, and he drove out many demons, not permitting them to speak because they knew him. — Mk 1:32-34

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# PARISH LIFE

## TO THE VISITORS WITHIN OUR DOORS!

**St. Vincent de Paul Parish** welcomes you into our parish community this weekend. We sincerely hope you feel at home and among friends! If you are a visitor just for today, we bid you Godspeed on your journey. If you are seeking a church home, we will welcome you into our parish family here at **St. Vincent de Paul**. Call our parish office at 715-423-2111 Mon.-Thurs.,- 9am-3:30pm.

**Wisconsin Rapids Deanery "Serenity" Grief Support Group** will meet in the St. Vincent de Paul School (Room 105), Wis. Rapids, on Monday, **February 6, 2012** from **6:00 pm - 7:00 pm**. If you or someone you know is grieving the loss of a loved one, please join us for an evening of listening, sharing, prayer, fellowship, refreshments, and free self-help materials.

**Korean Performing Arts Showcase** presents Gaet Ma Dang Korean Music and Dance. The Korean Folk Culture Studay Association, Gaet Ma Dang was established in 1992. The foundation has concentrated on the creative inheritance of Korean old, and traditional folk music. Their passion to share the musical history of Korea has captivated audiences around the world. **Thursday, February 16, 12:15 PM**, St. Vincent Gym - come join us!

**WIN A BEAUTIFUL QUILT** made by our PCCW. Raffle tickets will be sold after each mass \$3 ea., or 2/\$5. Drawing held at Winter Fest.

**Got Talent?** Singing, dancing, comedy, juggling, etc. Individuals or groups for St. Vincent de Paul's **"God's Got Talent"** evening on **Saturday, February 18th**. For more info or to register contact Phil Hartley, 715-213-9430. *We accept talent of all denominations.*

**Adult Bible Study** will resume on Monday, February 13 at 6:30pm in the Parish Library. This is a continuation of the fall study Women in the Old Testament. We will begin with Lesson 6. Contact Sue Wesolek, 715-424-3674 or galapple@wctc.net.

**Server, Lector & Eucharistic Minister Schedules** for Sundays in Lent and Easter Seasons are available to be picked up at the 13th Street church entrance. *Servers* please check over your schedules carefully as many are scheduled more than once.

**St. Vincent de Paul Prayer Chain**  
*Need Prayers?* Contact **Sue Enwright 715-421-3225**, or **Terri Sersch, 715-424-5338**. They will get the word to the other members of the Prayer Chain. To join, call Terri Sersch.

**Haiti Update:** Haiti collection: ( white Haiti boxes) \$ 35.00, (Haiti green envelopes) \$220.00, (Haiti cans) \$95, (Haiti Masses) \$10.00.

Following a month's hiatus spent with family in Indiana (and in Arizona at her mother-house), Joan Martin returned to Haiti last week. She writes:

"Our plane was 2 hours late leaving Miami for Port-au-Prince because they could not find an airplane without mechanical problems. Arrived safely in PdPaix--no big problems. The little plane, Tortugair, was 2 hours late leaving Port-au-Prince for PdPaix because the plane had to go somewhere else. It is good to see everyone, and the weather is WARM, but very windy. They tell me there was an earthquake in the Dominican Republic last week, and some people here felt it."

## Readings

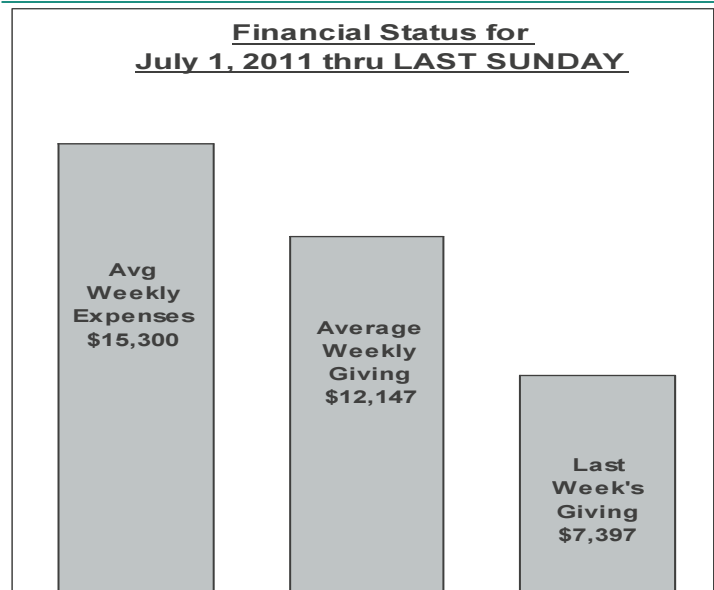


for the Week of February 5 to February 12, 2012

*Responsorial Psalm: Praise the Lord, praise the Lord, who heals the broken hearted.*

- Sunday: Jb 7:1-4, 6-7/1 Cor 9:16-19, 22-23/Mk 1:29-39
- Monday: 1 Kgs 8:1-7, 9-13/Mk 6:53-56
- Tuesday: 1 Kgs 8:22-23, 27-30/Mk 7:1-13
- Wednesday: 1 Kgs 10:1-10/Mk 7:14-23
- Thursday: 1 Kgs 11:4-13/Mk 7:24-30
- Friday: 1 Kgs 11:29-32; 12:19/Mk 7:31-37
- Saturday: 1 Kgs 12:26-32; 13:33-34/Mk 8:1-10
- Sunday: Lv 13:1-2, 44-46/1 Cor 10:31--11:1/Mk 1:40-45

*For inspirational reflections on the daily readings, please see the link on the parish website.*



# Winter Fest 2012

**Saturday, February 18th, 5-9pm**

Chili Feed and God's Got Talent Review

**Sunday, February 19th,**

**8am-2pm**

Breakfast- Served 8am-noon.

Vendor Booths \* Face Painting \* Bake Sale \* Mini Raffle \* Kids Games Handmade Quilt Raffle \* Concessions \* Silent Auction \* Bingo \*Entertainment \* PCCW Jewelry Sale \* Parish Trivia Quest \*PCCW Gift in a Jar \* Parish Library Book Sale \* Raffle (chance to win \$1000-\$500- \$250- \$100. Raffle tickets will be mailed, they can be returned in the envelope with the weekly offerings

**WE ARE COLLECTING DONATIONS FOR CHILI** at the church entrances (tomato sauce, diced tomatoes, kidney beans, chili Seasoning, noodles, scrip cards for purchasing other ingredients & tomato juice) along with donations to Food Pantry & Humane Society. **PLEASE DROP OFF YOUR DELICIOUS BAKED GOODS** on Saturday, February 18th in the gym. Pie tins are available at the church entrances for your use.

**SEEKING NEW ITEMS for MINI RAFFLE & SILENT AUCTION.** Please drop off items in the Parish Library by Feb. 12th. Questions contact Kathy Voelker, 715-325-6826, evenings. If you have any baskets to donate for us to use, please put them in the Parish Library.

**PARISH LIBRARY COMMITTEE** will have our **annual used book sale at the St. Vincent De Paul Winterfest on February 18-19.** Please clean out your book shelves and bring them to the church library where we have a box available to store the recycled books until the sale. If you need someone to pick up your used books please call Sherry Rady-Kronstedt 715-325-7544. Thank you, Library Committee

**VOLUNTEERS NEEDED.** Contact Linda Millner, 715-421-2353 or lindamillner@solarus.net or Lori Placek, 715-424-5347 or plazbrew@wctc.net If you would be interested in helping or return your volunteer sheet found in the Raffle Ticket mailing.

**VENDOR BOOTHS AVAILABLE.** \$25 for 1 table, \$10 for each additional table. Contact Diane Wanta, 715-435-4466.

**JEWELRY SALE** will be held in the Parish Library. For more information contact Judy, 715-423-1352.

**Knights of Columbus, Council 1558 will be hosting a math, spelling and free throw contest** on February 11, 2012 at St. Vincent de Paul School, 831 12th St. S. Registration will be the day of the event starting at 9:15 am until time of contest. If you have questions, please call Duane Spinler at 715 421-4384.



Assumption Catholic Schools in partnership with Relevant Radio believes in the value and importance of a Catholic education, and

has developed a special opportunity to help families discover a quality, faith-centered education at an affordable cost. Available to interested new families (one voucher per family) with children entering grades 1-6 for the 2012-2013 school year, we are offering three half-priced tuition vouchers. These three vouchers are available on a first come, first served basis. This program is available only prior to May 26, 2012. If interested, please call Brenda Walczak at 715-422-0901 or email [BWalczak@AssumptionCatholicSchools.org](mailto:BWalczak@AssumptionCatholicSchools.org)

## RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

### RELIGIOUS EDUCATION CLASS SCHEDULE

Feb. 8 --1st Communion Meeting for

2nd Grade Parents

Feb. 15

Feb. 22--Ash Wednesday/ Prayer Service @6:30

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### CONFIRMATION

The next Confirmation Class is scheduled for 7:00-8:30pm on Wednesday, February 15th

\*\*We are hosting "The Neighborhood Table" dinner on Thursday, February 23rd

\*\*Our Confirmation Retreat will be held on SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 26th



### St. Vincent de Paul School News

ASSUMPTION  
CATHOLIC SCHOOLS

**Mission Statement:** to inspire excellence and personal growth grounded in Catholic principles & tradition.

Registration for the 2012-2013 school year has begun. Please take advantage of our hospitality and join us for a couple of classes. The children would love to tell you all about the amazing schools you have in your midst. What a true blessing! Please give prayerful thought to adding God into your child's daily education, if you haven't already.

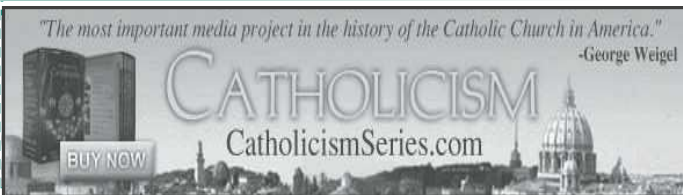
Even though February is a short month we have lots of activity going in the school. Our book fair at OLQH will be boxed up on Monday and sent back until next year when we again celebrate Catholic Schools Week at the end of January. Thank you to all who participated in the many events.

Our magazine sale for ACS had begun on January 30. If you need to subscribe or renew a subscription please see any ACS student.

Our children pray daily for those in need. If you would like us to pray for someone please fill out a prayer card and send to the office. It's that easy. While we are praying for others, please remember to keep us and Catholic Education in yours. We truly appreciate all you do for the community.

**WELCOMING CATHOLICS HOME** will hold it's 4th session on "The Mass" Sunday, February 5, 2012 at St. Lawrence Church. **The time for THIS SESSION ONLY will be at 2:00 p.m.** Anyone seeking answers to becoming active again in the Church is welcome to attend.

## FROM THE PASTOR...



"The most important media project in the history of the Catholic Church in America."  
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**St. Bronislava - 715-341-6700**

Ten Tuesdays in the Mary Room at 7:00 - 8:30pm:  
Jan 24, 31, Feb 7, 14, 21, 28, Mar 6, 13, 27, Apr 3.

**St. James, Vesper - 715-569-3978**

Ten Sessions on Tuesdays from 6:30-8:00pm  
Jan 24, 31, Feb 7, 14, 21, 28, Mar 6, 13, 27, Apr 3.

**St. Lawrence - 715-421-5777**

Eight Mondays at 1:00 - 2:30pm and 6:00 - 7:30pm  
Feb 20, 27, Mar 5, 12, 19, 26, Apr.2, 9 (first 4 DVD's)

**St. Alexander - 715-887-3012**

Five Sundays at 10:15 - Feb 26, Mar 4, 11, 18, 25  
Five Wednesdays at 8:30am - Feb 29, Mar 7, 14, 21, 28  
Five Thursdays at 7:00pm - Mar 1, 8, 15, 22, 29

**MASS INTENTIONS:** Due to the high demand for Masses on the weekend, I ask you to reduce requests to only two weekends per year per person. In a parish this size, it's not fair for 3 or 4 people to ask for 12 weekends a year. 40 Sundays & 36 Saturdays are already taken by only a few individuals. Henceforth I will give priority to anniversaries of wedding and death first. (PS: St Bron's allows only ONE intention a year on a Sunday.)

**OUR PRAYERS & SYMPATHY:** to Sally Stelmacher upon the death of her mother, **Evelyn G. (Raab) Bergemann, 94**; to Norbert Tauscher on the death of his wife of 61 years, **Dorothy (Czlapinski), 82**. Both died on Jan 25.

**ONLINE GIVING:** Tens of thousands are now using online giving. It's a trend so pronounced that the Federal Reserve has closed 44 of its 45 check processing facilities since 2003! Why not join the crowd? Call 423-2111.

**FR. BILL'S ADDRESS:** 2511 8th St S, PMB #136, WI Rapids WI 54494. You **MUST** add the Post Mailbox No.

**DAA UPDATE:** We have paid \$45,600 on pledges of \$57,370 toward our target of \$84,250. 277 (28%) of 984 households. In comparison, OLQH has pledged \$51,773 on its target of \$83,612; St Bron's target is \$110,106!

## LITURGICAL SCHEDULE

*For February 4- February 12, 2012*

- Saturday** 5:00 pm †Christina Joosten  
**Sunday** 8:00 am †Lavilla Hein  
 10:00 am For all Parishioners  
**Monday** 8:00 am Communion Prayer Service  
**Tuesday** 8:00 am †Ada Roenius  
**Wednesday** 8:00 am †William Kann  
 2:45 pm †Sylvester Bauer  
**Thursday** 8:00 am †Mary McClaine  
**Friday** 8:00 am †Terry Raabe  
**Saturday** 5:00 pm †Helen Cox  
**Sunday** 8:00 am †Leon David  
 10:00 am For All Parishioners

**PERPETUAL ADORATION - 24/7 at the Marian Center for Peace, Mother of America Chapel, located on the grounds of Ss. Peter & Paul Parish, 241 Apricot Street, Wisconsin Rapids.**

**Servers for Weekday Mass**

Tuesday-Allison Taylor & Isabelle Varga; Wednesday-Jarron Biebl & Mason Bushman; Thursday- Grace Crowns & Sydney Gotz; Friday-Craig Elsen & Will Gutsch

**Servers Next Weekend**

Sat. 5:00 Aubrey Iwinski & Alicia Borre  
 Sun. 8:00 Evan Schleisner & John Gudelis  
 10:00 Natalie Bord & Liesl Sigourney

**Lectors Next Weekend**

Sat. 5:00 Ida Lee Siewert  
 Sun. 8:00 Todd Peterson  
 10:00 Marlee Jirschele

**Eucharistic Ministers Next Weekend**

Sat. 5:00 Allan & Michele Taylor; Eileen Livernash; Clem & Sue Droste  
 Sun. 8:00 Viola Thompson; Jane & Dave Smith; *volunteers*  
 10:00 Patty Diesburg; Carol Studzinski; Joan Severin; Cathy Genteman; Joe & Sharon Nalbach

**Musicians Next Weekend**

Sat. 5:00 Joan Moscinski & Bob Hunn  
 Sun. 8:00 Becky Gudelis & Diane Huilman  
 10:00 John Kinzel and the Contemporary Choir

**Ushers Next Weekend**

Sat. 5:00 John Sweeney, Jr.; Dick Earle; Jeff Joosten; Juan Medina  
 Sun. 8:00 Don Drewiske; Huntz Link; John Arendt; Dave Joosten  
 10:00 Bill Bord; Al Engler; Jim Hahner; *volunteer*

**Greeters Next Weekend**

Sat. 5:00 William & Joan Arnold, Jane Olsen  
 Sun. 8:00 Jerry & Nancy Mischnick, Chris & Kathy Strobe  
 10:00 Mary Beth Rokus, Ron & Judy Reimer

**Video Taping Next Weekend**

Sunday, February 5 - Jon Spencer



## Sacramental Life

**Pre-Baptism Sessions** - Pre-Baptism sessions for parents who want to have a child baptized at St. Vincent de Paul have two different formats.

**Session 1, is for first-time parents; Session 2,**

**is for parents who have previously attended our pre-Baptism program.** Each session is offered once each month, with Session 1 normally on the first Tuesday and Session 2 the following evening (Wednesday). Parents may attend any time during the pregnancy and before the baptism. **Please call the parish office at 715-423-2111 if you plan to attend.** Classes will meet on the first floor. **Room 105:** please come in the 13th Street entrance to the school. Upcoming sessions are as follows: **Session 1: Tuesday, February 7, at 6:30-9 pm; Session 2: Wednesday, February 8, at 6:30-8:30 pm.**

**Baptisms** - The Sacrament of Baptism for infants can be celebrated during or after mass (preferably the 10am mass). Please call the parish office at **715-423-2111** to make arrangements. Please make arrangements for this at least 2 weeks ahead of time.

**Communion to the Homebound** - Anyone who is homebound and wishes to receive Holy Communion on Sunday, please notify the rectory 715-423-2111 or **Karen Weinfurter at 715-424-1774** by Thursday, if possible.

**Rides to Mass** - If you, or someone you know, are unable to get to Mass due to an inability to drive, please contact **Carol Monge, 715 424-1495.** The Social Justice Committee is seeking volunteers who might be interested in this ministry.

**Confessions** Saturday morning 10:15 until at least 10:45 and Saturday afternoon 3:30-4:30. Any time by appointment.

**Emergency Sick Calls** any emergency sick calls today, Sunday, should be referred to **Fr. John Steiner, 715-423-2111.**

**Elizabeth Ministry (Meal for Moms)** - Do you know of someone who is expecting a baby or has recently been blessed with a new arrival? PCCW and Elizabeth Ministry would like to lend a helping hand by providing a home cooked meal for the mom and her family after the baby is born. If interested in receiving this service, or for more information, **please call Kathy Omernik at 715-423-2118.**

**Visits to Homebound** - Our parish Justice & Peace Committee volunteers are anxious to make visits to parishioners in extended care facilities, nursing homes or confined to their own homes. If you, or someone you know, would like a visitor to call, contact **Ann Ruesch at 715-423-6339** evenings. We are also looking for more volunteers- give Ann a call.

**Prayer Shawl Ministry** - consists of people who wish to prayerfully create shawls in which to enfold other people in need by it physically, mentally or emotionally. If you knit or crochet and would like to join this ministry, please contact **Karen Weinfurter at 715-424-1774.**

**Marriages** - Please contact the parish where you intend to be married at least six months ahead of time before proceeding with your marriage plans. **Marriage Preparation Program** for those preparing for marriage will be held. Couples only need to attend one of these sessions. The cost is \$75 per couple. Register by calling **Janeen Sievers** at Our Lady Queen of Heaven, **715-423-9190.**

## DATES & EVENTS

### Sunday, February 12, 2012

**Valentine Dinner & Dance**, St. Ladislaus Parish, Bevent. Polka Mass, 10:10am, music by Old Time Brass and The Choraleers. Family Style Chicken Dinner, 10:30-1:30, Chicken, sausage & sauerkraut, Czarnina, chicken soup, potatoes, dressing, gravy, homemade buns, salads, pies, coffee. Adults \$9.50, youth \$4.00, under 6 - free. Dance 1-5, Lakeside Ballroom, music by Norm Dombrowski & The Happy Notes. Cherry Tree, Craft Raffle.



**SS. Peter & Paul Annual SOUP FEST** (Homemade Chili & Chicken Noodle) Sunday, Feb. 12, 2012, 11:00 am – 2:00 pm. Serving in the church hall & carry outs available (bring your own containers) Adults – \$6.00 Children – 5-12 \$3.00 Under 5 free Carry Outs \$5.00 Quart Beverage, bread, crackers, and dessert included. Sponsored by the Ladies of SS. Peter & Paul Parish Council of Catholic Women PCCW, 1110 First Street North, Wisconsin Rapids, WI

**The Knights of Columbus will be selling raffle tickets for the State Charity Raffle on the weekend of February 11-12. They will be located at both entrances of church.**

**PERPETUAL ADORATION**—24/7 at the Marion Center for Peace, Mother of America Chapel located at Ss. Peter & Paul Parish, 241 Apricot St, Wisconsin Rapids.

**FRIDAY ADORATION** at St. Lawrence Church, 10th Ave No, on each Friday from noon to 1pm beginning in January, 2012. All are welcome.

**An Evening for Couples Dinner/Dance "How to Stay Married"** The Wisconsin Rapids Deanery Family Life Committee is sponsoring a dinner/dance for all engaged and married couples. John and Mary Sullivan will be the featured speakers. **Saturday, February 11, Hotel Mead, Wisconsin Rapids (Special overnight room rate of \$79 is available. Call the Mead 1-800-843-6323 & mention "Couples Night")** Social with a cash bar at 5 PM - Dinner at 6 PM/ followed by speaker/then music and dancing until 11 PM. \$40 per couple Door prizes Registration forms will be available at the 13th street church entrance. More info- contact Kathy Voelker at 715-325-6826 (evenings) Return the form by February 8 with your payment of \$40/couple (checks payable to Wisconsin Rapids Deanery) and mail to: Kathy Voelker, 6220 Ashbury Drive, Wis. Rapids, WI 54494

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