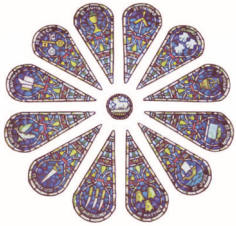


May 2, 2021

5th Sunday of Easter



St. Vincent de Paul Parish

2244 Marshall Avenue, Wheeling, WV 26003

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Parish Office Hours: Monday through Thursday: 9:00 am—3:00 pm
Closed Friday

Masses this Weekend

Saturday, May 1 (5th Sunday of Easter)

5:00 pm Anna Marie Troyan (Anniv)

Sunday, May 2 (5th Sunday of Easter)

9:00 am All the People of the Parish

11:30 am (1st Communion) Robert Battista

10:30 am (OLSD) For all those buried in

OLSD Cemetery

Masses This Week

Monday, May 3 (Sts. Philip and James)

8:00 am Bob Riser (Anniv)

**There will be no Daily Mass Tuesday,
Wednesday, and Thursday
of this week.**

**There will be Eucharistic Adoration
Tuesday, May 3.**

Friday May 7 (First Friday)

9:00 am Commemorative Mass Intentions

Masses Next Weekend

Saturday, May 8 (6th Sunday of Easter)

5:00 pm Betty Allen (B)

Sunday, May 9 (6th Sunday of Easter)

9:00 am Eleanor and Harold Bandi

11:30 am George McKeets, Jr.



Eucharistic Adoration:

**Eucharistic Adoration is held in
the Church every Tuesday
from 12 pm—5pm**

CONFESSIONS

**The Sacrament of Confession is offered
inside the Church in the Bell Tower area on
Saturdays, from 4:00 to 4:30 pm. No
confessions this Tuesday.**

Dear Parishioners,

I have received permission from Bishop Brennan to take two months away from the parish ministry. In June and July, I will be on a sabbatical. Fr. Harry Dunn, a retired priest who lives in the Clara Welty building in Wheeling, will be covering the weekend Masses at St. Vincent de Paul Parish. During the Summer, Deacon Thom Trunzo will be in the parish office to answer questions and to respond to any emergencies that may arise. I will return to the parish by the weekend August 15th. During this time away, I will travel, visit relatives, and take time in personal spiritual retreat.

The word Sabbatical comes from the word Sabbath which refers to the Biblical day of rest, or seventh day. The Old Testament refers to God's "day of rest" most famously in Genesis, but Sabbath referring to an entire year of rest is mentioned in Leviticus (25:3-5)

"For six years you may sow your field, and for six years prune your vineyard, gathering in their produce. But during the seventh year the land shall have a sabbath of complete rest, a sabbath for the LORD, when you may neither sow your field nor prune your vineyard. The aftergrowth of your harvest you shall not reap, nor shall you pick the grapes of your untrimmed vines. It shall be a year of rest for the land."

Resting is part of God's plan. He wants to bring about a type of re-creation in his people. After almost 23 years of priestly ministry, I think I need to give myself a little more room to rest in the Lord. My last Sunday in the parish will be May 30th.

— *God Bless, Msgr. Paul Hudock*



Your gift is boosted by this bonus:

CHALLENGE GRANT:
Every dollar given between April 5th and June 30, 2021 will be matched by a "Challenge Gift" up to \$55,000.

We have reached 37.82% of our goal of \$250,000 that we need to collect by June 30.

St. Vincent Parish Educational Fund (SVPEF)

The interest from this endowment will be used to support our St. Vincent Grade School — with the goal of keeping tuition affordable for all families.

- We have over \$94,549.63 in contributions received.
- We have around \$150,000 in total pledges.

All contributions remain in the endowment as a lasting resource to our parish families.

For more information, contact the following representatives of the SVPEF:

Larry Bandi	304-280-6186
Bryan Minor	304-233-0880
Matt Padden	740-633-5888
Mark Peluchette	304-547-0414
Dave Taylor	304-242-6663



**ONE MISSION
ONE DAY—May 4th**
But...you can start making donations to our school **TODAY!**

Help us build our legacy to support YOU - our families - long in to the future!

Go to: www.onemissiononeday.org
Then search for St. Vincent de Paul Parish School

All monies collected STAY with our school!

**HOT DOG ROAST!
Save the date!**



We are planning a Hot Dog Roast in the Church Courtyard next to the Parish Hall — after the Saturday evening Mass May 22, and after the 11:30 Mass Sunday, May 23.



SAVE THE DATE! Our Parish Picnic will be held at Hess Shelter, Oglebay Park on Sunday, August 15, 2021.



Dates to Remember:

- Wed. May 19 Finance Council 6pm
- Thurs. May 20 Pastoral Council 6:15 pm

Both meetings will take place in the Caveney Room of the Parish Center.



Do you know someone who is getting ready to start high school? Do you want to introduce them to a school where they grow in their Faith while being empowered by knowledge? Please tell them about Central Catholic High School — it's ALL about the KNIGHT LIFE!!

Contact John Yelenic, Director of Admissions at 304-650-6298
Or: [jyelenic@cchsknights.org](mailto: jyelenic@cchsknights.org)

Baccalaureate Mass: Friday, May 28 at St. Vincent's Church. Time TBA

Graduation Day for CCHS: May 29, 2021



CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR FIRST COMMUNION CLASS!

The young people making their First Holy Communion at the 11:30 Mass this weekend are:

*Blake Bennett
Charleigh Carr
Fulton Klein*

*Matthew Bordas
Gwyneth Gaiser
Kamryn Noel*

May God bless our First Communicants on this special day; and may they always keep the joy of Jesus in their hearts.

**Congratulations from your
Parish Family!**

PRAYER CARDS, ROSARIES, AND MEDALS

REQUESTED: Sisters Maria and Beritha of the Sisters of the Infant Jesus at Immaculate Conception Church in Clarksburg are collecting religious items to send to Catholics in Zimbabwe..

All prayer cards, Rosaries, and medals will be sent to Clarksburg this week. Thank you to all who donated items for the Sisters of the Infant Jesus. Your donations will be sent to Zimbabwe in early June.

Offertory Update— April 25, 2021

Collection: \$7,105
WeShare: 2,167
Total Attendance: 267
Thank you!!

Upcoming Second Collections

April 25 Catholic Home Missions Appeal
May 23 Peter's Pence
June 20 Pastoral Solidarity for the Church in Africa



2020 VISION SERIES AT MT. ST. JOSEPH RE- TREAT CENTER: St.

Joseph Retreat Center is offering a year-long series named *The 2020 Vision Series*. This series will be offered virtually at 7:00 pm (EST) on the 4th Monday of each month through December. Cost is \$15 per session. To reserve your spot or for more information, contact Anna Marie Troiani: atroiani@csjoseph.org

Topics include:

May 24: Testing Positive in a Negative World
June 28: Recognizing the Symptoms of Strong Faith. . . The Rapid Test



SPECIAL MEMORIAL MASS:

The Fertility *Care*™ Center of the Upper Ohio Valley, Inc. & the Weirton Catholic Pro-Life Group will be sponsoring a Memorial Mass for Babies Who Died Before Birth whether by miscarriage, abortion, ectopic (tubal) pregnancy (no distinction will be made) & whether occurring recently or years ago. The Mass will be celebrated on Friday, June 18, 2021 at 7:00 p.m. at Sacred Heart of Mary Catholic Church, 200 Preston Avenue, Weirton, WV. Confession will be available at 5:30 p.m. So that we may best honor your child please call 304-723-0478 or 304-748-0688 to RSVP (all family members and friends are welcome).



COMMEMORATIVE MASS ASSOCIATION:

We remember in love those who have gone before us marked with the sign of faith. . .

The Commemorative Mass Association (CMA) is a special program which allows our parishioners and friends to remember their loved ones in a beautiful way. A total of 18 Masses will be celebrated for the repose of the souls of those inscribed in the Parish Commemorative Mass Association throughout the year of enrollment. Cost to enroll is \$50.

Masses for the CMA are held the First Friday of each month, Easter, Mother's Day, Father's Day, Feast of the Assumption, All Souls Day, and Christmas. For more information or to renew your Masses for the next year, please call the parish office at 304-242-0406.

TAP — Tuition Assistance Program: It's time to apply for the next school year! Parent information regarding tuition assistance for 2021-2022

Diocesan tuition Assistance Process is NOW OPEN. Apply during Phase I in order to receive the best assistance.

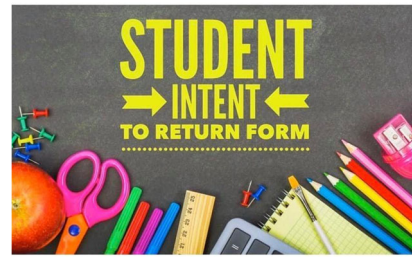
You are encouraged to apply if your child is already enrolled or has been accepted by one of the Catholic schools in our diocese.

Applications are made online. Go to: www.factsmgt.com and click on "Grand & Aid Assessment" and log in. If you do not have internet access, contact your school office for assistance.

Cost is \$35. the Diocese will pay \$17.50, and families pay the other \$17.50.

Phase I Deadline: The deadline for applications (including all required documentation and payment of the fee) is April 30, 2021.

If you have any questions, contact John Yelenic, Director of Advancement, St. Vincent's School, at jyelenic@stvincentschool.org. We never want financial need to be a reason for not sending your child(ren) to our school.



LETTERS OF INTENT TO RETURN FOR THE 2021-2022 SCHOOL YEAR:

Great news!! There will NOT be an increase in the cost of tuition for the next year, AND every family will receive \$250 for each student who returns to our St. Vincent de Paul Parish School! Now that is **Great News!**

More Great News. . .

- Small Class Size
- Highly experienced and qualified educators
- Engaging curriculum
- Opportunities for serving the community
- YMCA partnership—After School Care
- Award Winning Students
- Fully Accredited
- Affordable Tuition/Assistance Available
- Sports/Clubs/Events
- Forensics and Poetry Declamation
- State and National Finalists in numerous competitions
- 1:1 Technology — Grades 1—8
- Amazing student body
- Teachers and Administration who care

So Why Not St. Vincent de Paul School??



Join Us Monday, May 3 at the Roadhouse! Bring in your flyer and the Roadhouse will donate 10% of your bill to our St. Vincent de

Paul Parish School!! Now . . . That's a good deal 'partner!

Eat in or pick up with Curbside Delivery! 4:00-7:00 pm. Order any one of the delicious items from the ROADHOUSE menu.

Stop by the school office and purchase a gift card that you can use on your order! Or call Susie and she can send a few home to you!! The Roadhouse donates 10% of every receipt back to our SVS!

UPCOMING DATES FOR ST. VINCENT'S SCHOOL:

- **May 7** May Crowning (after 9 am Mass)
- **May 26** Kindergarten Graduation
- **May 27** 8th Grade Graduation
- **June 4** Last Day of School



Pope calls for month long global prayer marathon for end of pandemic

VATICAN CITY — Pope Francis has called for a global prayer marathon for the entire month of May, praying for the end to the pandemic. "The initiative will involve in a special way all shrines in the world" in promoting the initiative so that individuals, families, and communities all take part in reciting the rosary, "to pray for the end of the pandemic," said the Pontifical Council for Promoting New Evangelization in a press release April 21. "It is the heartfelt desire of the Holy Father that the month of May be dedicated to a prayer marathon dedicated to the theme, 'from the entire church an unceasing prayer rises to God,'" it said. The theme refers to the miraculous event recounted in the Acts of the Apostles (12:1-12) when all the church prayed for Peter, who was imprisoned until God sent an angel to free him, illustrating how the Christian community comes together to pray in the face of danger and how the Lord listens and performs an unexpected miracle. Each day in May, there will be a livestream from one of 30 chosen Marian shrines or sanctuaries to guide the prayer at 6 p.m. Rome time (noon EDT) on all Vatican media platforms. The pope will open the month long prayer May 1 and conclude it May 31, the council said.

LIMITED TIME OFFER FOR THE KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS:

If you are not a member of the Knights of Columbus and would like to join — now is the time!

New members can access an online application at our website: kofc.org/joinus — and enter the code: MCGIVNEY2020.

You will receive a free membership for one year. All applicants should indicate our local Council No. 504 as their preference to join.

The offer is good from now through June 30, 2021, and you must enter the promotional code to receive the free membership.

For more information, or if you have any questions, contact Mike Bush at: mbush477@gmail.com



THANK YOU!

The Knights of Columbus would like to thank St.

Vincent Parish for their generous support of our

“40 Cans of Lent” Program. Over 700 pounds of food was donated to the 18th Street Center.

The support of St. Vincent’s Parish is very much appreciated by both the Knights of Columbus and Catholic Charities 18th Street Center.



ST. VINCENT’S SUMMER CAMP: St. Vincent’s Summer Camp will be held the weekend of June 18, 19, and 20. Due to pandemic restrictions, our camp will be held here in Wheeling.

- Cost for grades 7—9 is \$50 for the 1st child, \$40 for the 2nd, and \$30 for the 3rd.
- Grades 10—12 are a flat rate of \$25
- We hope to have our Camp website up and running by next week for sign-ups.

Thank you for your support of our Camp! If you have any questions, or would like more information, please call Brandon Porter, Camp Director, at 304-780-8655.



**ON THE VINE:
REFLECTION ON THE
5TH SUNDAY OF
EASTER:**

In today's Gospel, Jesus tells us that He is the true vine that God intended Israel to be—the source of divine life and wisdom for the nations (see Sirach 24:17–24).

In Baptism, each of us was joined to Him by the Holy Spirit. As a branch grows from a tree, our souls are to draw life from Him, nourished by His word and the Eucharist.

Paul in today's First Reading seeks to be grafted onto the visible expression of Christ the true vine—His

Church. Once the chief persecutor of the Church, Paul encounters initial resistance and suspicion. But he is known by his fruits, by his powerful witness to the Lord working in his life (see Matthew 7:16–20).

We too are commanded today to bear good fruits as His disciples so that our lives give glory to God. Like

Paul's life, our lives must bear witness to His goodness.

Jesus cautions us, however, that if we're bearing fruit, we can expect that God will "prune" us—as a gardener trims and cuts back a plant so that it will grow stronger and bear even more fruit. He is teaching us today how to look at our sufferings and trials with the eyes of faith. We need to see our struggles as pruning, by which we are being disciplined and trained so that we can grow in holiness and bear fruits of righteousness (see Hebrews 12:4–11).

We need to always remain rooted in Him, as today's Epistle tells us. We remain in Him by keeping His commandment of love, by pondering His words,

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HomeCare Services**

lives change because of illness or
age. Living independently at
home is difficult.

If you or a loved one in this situation,
contact Catholic Charities West Virginia.
We provide comprehensive in-home care to those
who are disabled. In addition to providing
personal assistance, our in-home caregiv-
ers offer specialized plans of care developed by
a registered nurse.

Contact Catholic Charities at



**CONSECRATION OF CHILDREN TO
OUR LADY OF GOOD HOPE:**

The Marist Laity will again sponsor the
Consecration of Children (born and unborn)
to Our Lady of Good Hope, on Sunday, May
16, 2021, after the 11:30 Mass. Anyone who
wishes to have a child or children consecrat-
ed or prayed for, is welcome to attend. For
more information, contact the parish office at
304-242-0406, or Jean Hohman at
304-242-3295.