

# ST. VINCENT DE PAUL PARISH



## Lord's Day Eucharist:

**Saturday 5 pm**  
**Sunday 9 am**  
**Sunday 11 am**



**Mission:** St. Mary's,  
Tribune – Sat. 7 pm

**Reconciliation:** Friday 11:30-12:00 pm  
Saturday 4:00– 4:40 pm

*4th Sunday in Lent*  
*March 18 & 19, 2023*

## **Good News Reflection: How conversion happens**

Conversion to Christ is a process. The blind man in the Gospel reading exemplifies this journey into faith. Notice that at first he did not go to Jesus. Jesus came to him. The man responded by waiting to see what would happen and then by obeying Jesus.

Conversion begins when Jesus seeks us out and we make ourselves available to his touch. He then opens our eyes to the truth, but we don't immediately understand.

When the man's neighbors asked about his cure, he did not yet understand who Jesus was; he thought of him as just a man.

Then, the pressure of listening to the Pharisees argue about who Jesus was caused him to give it more thought. He concluded that Jesus must be a prophet, which for the Jews was a highly esteemed, holy vocation.

Next, as the Pharisees treated him more roughly and raised the possibility of expelling him from the synagogue if he claimed that Jesus was the Christ, he began to wonder whether it might be true. Their reasons for hating Jesus became the eye-openers that cured his spiritual blindness.

Finally, Jesus sought him out again, this time to minister to him in response to the mistreatment he had suffered from the Pharisees. In this act of caring, the man could see who Jesus really was.

Conversion -- the purification of our spiritual vision -- takes place in the fire of our sufferings as we recognize the love and concern that God has for us.

**Questions for Personal Reflection:** Name the areas of your life where there is confusion from a lack of understanding. Perhaps you're having a hard time seeing the good in someone. Maybe you're worried about the future. What will you do this week that will help you see it from God's perspective?

## **Questions for Community Faith Sharing:**

1. In the first reading, God makes it clear that he sees what we cannot see when we're focused on external evidence. Think of a time when you looked deeper or beyond the obvious. How did that change you?

2. In Ephesians 5, we read that we have become light in the Lord. Name some of the good fruits that come from the ability to see what Jesus is doing in your life.

## Upcoming Eucharist Celebrations

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<b>Sat.</b>	Mar. 18	10 Tatagwa 5 PM Mass 7 PM St. Mary	Ethan Scrups & Family Int Janice Seitz Int, Joe & Florence Ball +
<b>Sun.</b>	Mar. 19	9 AM Mass 11 AM	Alice Kot Int. Emile Istace +
<b>Mon.</b>	Mar. 20	No Mass	
<b>Tues.</b>	Mar. 21	6:30 PM	Anthony Matthews +
<b>Wed.</b>	Mar. 22	9 AM 10 AM Bison	Lana Mantei + Charles & Betty Simon +
<b>Thur.</b>	Mar. 23	9 AM 10 Midtown	Special Intention + Joe & Florence Ball +
<b>Fri.</b>	Mar. 24	9:30 WSCH 6 PM 6:30 PM 7 PM Mass	Charles & Betty Simon + Rosary Stations of the Cross Oksana Mykhayliv Int.
<b>Sat.</b>	Mar. 25	10 Tatagwa 5 PM Mass 7 PM	Richard Bauche + Julian Goski + Anthony Matthews +
<b>Sun.</b>	Mar. 26	9 AM Mass 11 AM Mass	People of the Parish Dorothy & James Kaip +

### *Holy Week Mass Times*

#### Palm Sunday

Saturday, April 1, 5pm,  
Sunday, April 2, 9am &, 11am

Holy Thursday, April 6, 8pm

Good Friday, April 7, 1pm, St. Mary's  
April 7, 3pm, St Vincent de Paul

#### Holy Saturday,

April 8, Blessing of Food 1pm,  
April 8, Vigil – 8pm

Easter Sunday, April 9  
9am & 11am, St Vincent de Paul  
1pm St. Mary's



### Get ready for our Volunteer Appreciation Supper

on Friday, April 21, at McKenna Hall. The Social will start at 5:30 and supper at 6pm. The Parish Pastoral Council, Father Valentine and Angelo want to show everyone who volunteers in any way, big or small, how much your service to the Parish is appreciated and how much you are all valued and loved!

**The Social Justice Committee:** Wendy and Tiffany would like to thank all parishioners who have donated used eyeglasses in the past few months. We have collected 64 pairs for donation to the needy in third world countries!

### 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Lent

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1 Samuel 16:1b, 6-7, 10-13a

Psalm 23:1-6

Ephesians 5:8-14

John 9:1-41



Blessings in our lives; for the very world in which we live and for the health and strength you have bestowed upon us.

The suffering Christ endured provided healing and power over illness. Lord, direct that healing toward our loved ones who suffer and who



believe that you can and will restore them to full health.

We call them by name: **Archbishop Donald Bolen, Lawrence Fellner, Bonnie Kaip, Benedict Vinck, Linda Kot, Ray Cossette, Dick Michel,** and all those facing an illness or any of life's struggles.

Our condolences to the family and friends of the thoughts and prayers of your church family are with you.

**St. Vincent de Paul Book Club** will meet on Sunday, March 19 at 3pm. Please join us for spiritually motivated conversations about the books we read. Refreshments will follow.

### The Sacramental Preparation Classes for First Eucharist and Confirmation, have begun again

Remaining Sessions are:

March 26 & 27

April 16 & 17

April 30, May 1

May 14 & 15



### March 19 is the Feast day of St. Joseph,



St. Vincent de Paul Catholic Parish will be arranging snacks and socializing after each Mass to celebrate. Mass times are 5pm Saturday, 9am and 11am Sunday. We will also be distributing a few images and prayer cards featuring St. Joseph (while supplies last).

**The CWL next General Meeting** will be held on March 21, in Lower McKenna Hall. Our guest speaker will be Theresa Girardin who will be speaking to us on good mental health.

## Welcome Visitors and New Parishioners!

Our Parish family warmly welcomes new members. Please fill out a New Parishioner form at your earliest convenience. The forms are located on a table in the foyer!

As well, if any parishioner has changed their address, phone number etc., please inform the office.

### Stewardship Bulletin Bit: 4th Sunday of Lent

*"Not as man sees does God see, because man sees the appearance but the Lord looks into the heart."*

1Samuel 16:7

How often do we invest our time, talent and treasure in creating an appearance that does not matter at all to God? We strive to impress with our clothing, home, career, possessions, car and other marks of distinction. But none of these illusions of greatness will impress God. Instead, He will look into our hearts to see how much we loved Him, how much we loved others and how we showed that love by the way we used our time, talent and treasure here on earth.



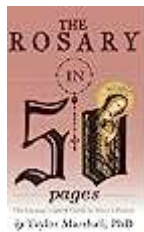
**St. Vincent de Paul Catholic Parish will be leading Stations of the Cross on Good Friday, April 7, at 10am.** The outdoor walking route will go around downtown and will take approximately 90 minutes. Please dress for the weather.

An indoor Stations of the Cross will also be held at 10am in the Church.



**St. Vincent de Paul Parish is organizing a special celebration of Divine Mercy Sunday, April 16,** starting at 2pm at the Church (314 3rd St). We will begin with Adoration and Confession, followed by the Chaplet of Divine Mercy in song at 3pm. Father Valentine Amobi will make special remarks for the occasion, as well as be open to Q&A. We will conclude with

Mass at 5pm. Neighbouring priests from around the deanery will be assisting with Reconciliation. Referring to Divine Mercy Sunday, Jesus told St. Faustina, "I desire that the Feast of Mercy be a refuge and shelter for all souls, and especially for poor sinners. The soul that will go to Confession and receive Holy Communion shall obtain complete forgiveness of sins and punishment. On that day all the divine floodgates through which graces flow are opened." (Diary 699).



### **The Rosary in 50 pages: the layman's quick guide to Mary's Psalter by Taylor Marshall.**

Does devotion to Mary steal glory from Jesus? Did Mary really give the Rosary to St. Dominic in the 1200's? Did the early Christians pray to Mary? Did Pope St John Paul II change the

Rosary? Find the answers to these questions and more in this bite sized quick read. Also includes tips from the Saints on praying the Rosary as well as a complete list of all the prayers of the Rosary in both English and Latin. Now available in the Parish Library. Pro Libris!



### **March 26 is a Special Collection for Development and Peace:**

To delegates at the 4th World Meeting of Popular Movements, Pope Francis said, "...you have the ability and the courage to create hope where there appears to be only waste and exclusion."

These are the words that inspired the choice of "Create Hope" as a five-year guiding theme at Development and Peace — Caritas Canada.

The courage to Create Hope is rooted in actions big and small. For to drive away anguish and despair, it is best to act. Every action we take has a positive effect on us, our neighbours, our great human family, our children and their descendants. What will you do to this Lent to Create Hope? Join our campaign at [devp.org/lent](http://devp.org/lent).



### **Lenten "Souper" Fridays Services:**

Sponsored by PLURA churches will be held at Grace United Church, every Friday at 12:00 noon. There will be a brief worship with singing and meditation. Following the worship there will be a fellowship meal: soup & sandwich donated by the participating Churches. Everyone is welcome. There will be a basket for a freewill offering. Friday March 24, will be sponsored by St. Vincent de Paul Church.

## Stewardship of Time & Talent - March 18 & 19

	Saturday 5 PM	Sunday 9 AM	Sunday 11 AM
<b>Readers</b>	Merle St. Onge	Pat Wolensky	Dianne Vilcu Marilyn Schuck
<b>Eucharistic Ministers</b>	Mary Janeczko Betty Van Staveren	Susan Kot Jean Woodard	Shirley Mondor Sheldon LeBlanc
<b>Acolytes</b>	Bruno Tuchscherer Zeus Hinlayagan Charlie Ernst	Don Bohn Frank Porte	Mel VanBetuw Ken LeBlanc
<b>Power Point</b>	Lloyd Zyla	Gerry Langlois	Jennifer Woodard
<b>Children's Liturgy</b>			Natalya
<b>Hospitality</b>	Yvonne Dzuba Jim Wanner Margaret & Bruno Tuchscherer	Roseanne Mantei Willie & Adele Nimegeers Betty Herlick	Judy & Mel VanBetuw Gordon Rutten Calvin & Danette Tracey
<b>Counters</b>	Jeff & Mary Ann Flaaten, Frank & Bonnie Kaip		

## Stewardship of Time & Talent - March 25 & 26

	Saturday 5 PM	Sunday 9 AM	Sunday 11 AM
<b>Readers</b>	Cecile Sellinger	Dolores Herring	Carol Toles Glenda Shupe
<b>Eucharistic Ministers</b>	Wendy Sidloski Derek Redman	Marcel Bauche Yvonne Kerr	Elaine Nielsen Yvette Bauche
<b>Acolytes</b>	Peter Richards Maggie Richards Armand Delanoy	Roel Dayaan Richard Wick	Stella Hoffart Gordon Rutten Haroun Matthew
<b>Power Point</b>	Roberto Roman	Gerry Langlois	Roberto Roman
<b>Children's Liturgy</b>			Joan
<b>Hospitality</b>	Brian Winter Dorothy Gaab Dave Creurer Pat Wolensky	Frank & Eveline Porte Harry Jensen Jim Parsons Ron & Josie Klein	Ron Wormsbecker Aime Isabey Pat & Loretta Benning
<b>Counters</b>	Dave Creurer, Rob Labbie, Darren Woodard		

**Parish Council Members: Chair** - Marga Cugnet, Sarah Ayeri, Brenda Kosior, Jim Wanner, Wendy Sidloski, **Deanery Rep.** - Pat Wolensky, **Secretary** – Val Wing, **Parish Finance Chairperson** – Pamela Hauptstein

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**Weyburn K of C Meetings:** (Sept.-June) Exec & Directors – 2nd **Tuesday** of the month,  
 Gen Mtg. – 4th **Tuesday** of the month

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 Exec Mtg. – 2nd **Tuesday** of month Gen Mtg. – 3rd **Tuesday** of month

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**Sacraments: Baptism and Reconciliation** – Contact the parish office

**Matrimony** – Contact the parish office at least 6 months prior

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