St. Vincent de Paul Catholic Church

Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord April 5, 2020

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

All public celebrations of the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass are suspended until further notice.

Confessions by appointment only

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To celebrate the Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick call the Parish Office

at 573-335-7667



Entering the Story

Almighty and ever-living God, bring us into the story of your Son's passion and death. As he enters his sacred city, shake us out of our pride and self-interest. As he perseveres when people turn against him, reveal the ways we betray and abandon him. As he stoops to wash feet, prostrates himself in prayer, and bears the burden of his cross, forgive us for having failed to do the same. And as our Lord pours his Spirit out upon us, remake us in his image. Help us to follow him through the darkness and into eternal light and life with you. Through Christ our Lord. Amen.

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Palm Branches for Palm Sunday

Because of the unknown transmission of the Coronavirus, it has been recommended that the palm branches for Palm Sunday not be distributed this weekend. The blessed palm branches will be held in storage until the "all clear" is given to return to the church for the celebration of the Mass on Sundays. Sorry for another inconvenience but it is better to be safe than sorry!

Palm Sunday Mass to be Livestreamed

The Palm Sunday Mass will be livestreamed at 9:00 a.m. on the St. Vincent de Paul Facebook page (https://www.facebook.com/svcape/). The Mass will then be available to view on the parish website (www.svcape.com).

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Prayer Requests

Please remember **Terry Slattery, Elena Berjer,** the sick, the hospitalized, the homebound, and those who care for them. Pray also for those suffering from Covid-19, and for all health-care workers and for those seeking a vaccine to the Coronavirus. *"b*lessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord!" shout the crowds in today's Gospel. May we always be ready to share our blessings when we are sent in His name!

Holy Week Liturgies

Bishop Rice has sent a directive to all parishes of the Diocese that the public liturgies for Holy Week be suspended. The directives from the CDC guidelines allow for the Holy Week liturgies to be celebrated with no more than 10 people in attendance. Because of this, the celebrations of the Holy Thursday Mass, Good Friday Liturgy, Easter Vigil Mass, and Mass on Easter Sunday will take place but in a very simple manner. With the help of technology, these celebrations will be live streamed on the St. Vincent de Paul Facebook page (https://www.facebook.com/svcape/). These recordings will then be available to view on the parish website (www.svcape.com).

- Mass of the Lord's Supper, Holy Thursday at 7:30 p.m.
- The Passion of the Lord, Good Friday at 12:00 noon
- Easter Vigil Mass, Saturday at 7:30 p.m.
- Mass of the Lord's Resurrection, Easter Sunday at 9:00 a.m.

Holy Week Masses celebrated by Bishop Rice will be available on the Diocese of Springfield-Cape Girardeau Facebook Page. *If you do not have a Facebook account ...*

Go to the Immaculate Conception (Springfield) website at <u>https://www.ic-parish.org</u>. Scroll down and click on the blue Facebook icon. The feed will come up with a red "live" tag, click the play arrow to begin. If you miss the scheduled time for the live event, it will be recorded and posted on the Immaculate Conception Parish website. Scroll down and click on the blue Facebook icon. Go to the left side of page to "Videos."

- Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord, 9:00 a.m.
- Chrism Mass, Tuesday at 10:00 a.m.
- Mass of the Lord's Supper, Holy Thursday at 7:00 p.m.
- The Passion of the Lord, Good Friday at 3:00 p.m.
- Easter Vigil Mass, Saturday at 8:00 p.m.
- Mass of the Lord's Resurrection Easter Sunday at 9:00 a.m.

Holy Week Masses/Liturgies at St. Mary Cathedral Parish are available live streamed. You can see their schedule at <u>https://stmarycathedral.net</u> and click on "Holy Week Live Stream Schedule." Masses can also be heard on the radio at KZIM960 AM/KSIM1400 AM.

Act of Spiritual Communion

The "**Act of Spiritual Communion**" is a prayer for anyone who desires to receive the Eucharist but is unable.

"My Jesus, I believe that You are present in the Most Holy Sacrament. I love You above all things, and I desire to receive You into my soul. Since I cannot at this moment receive You sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart. I embrace You as if You were already there and unite myself wholly to You. Never permit me to be separated from You. Amen."

If you have an email address and would like to receive future parish updates during this time, please email <u>stvincentcapegirardeau</u> <u>@gmail.com</u>. Your information will strictly be kept for parish notifications.

May He Rest in Peace

Sympathy is extended to the family of **Thomas Morris**, father of Shane Morris.

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



Operation Rice Bowl

If you would like to make a donation for Operation Rice Bowl, please write a check and mail it to the parish office (1913 Ritter Drive, Cape Girardeau, MO 63701). If you have collected coins and bills in the Rice Bowl container, please keep it until the doors to the parish office and Church are again open to the public. You can turn it in then.

The parish office staff will not be available to take phone calls on Good Friday, April 10, and Easter Monday, April 13. For emergencies, please leave a message at 335-7667.

RCIA Candidates

Please continue to pray for those joining the Church this year here at St. Vincent. The hope was for them to join during the Easter Vigil but Bishop Rice has directed that Baptisms and Reception into the Church be postponed until later in the Easter season or Pentecost.

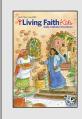
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St. Vincent School and PSR News

St. Vincent de Paul Elementary School and Parish School of Religion are closed until April 24. At that time the Diocese will determine if there is a need to continue the suspension of the educational programs.

First Communion Celebration

First Communion Masses scheduled for the weekend of April 25-26 have been postponed. When it is safe to do so, First Communion will be rescheduled and the information will be shared with the parish. First Communion photos scheduled for Thursday, April 16, have also been postponed. Please continue to pray for those making their First Communion and their families!



Living Faith Booklets

Living Faith, Living Faith Kids, and **La Fe Viva**, daily Catholic devotional booklets for the months of April - June, are available in the gathering area which is normally open from 8:00 a.m. - 12:00 noon.



Notre Dame Summer Camp Registration

Summer Camp registration is now open at <u>www.notredamehighschool.org/</u> <u>summer camps</u>. Camps are open to students entering grades K-8 in the 2020-2021 school year. Camps include athletics, science, robotics, and drama. Registration and details can be found on the link above. Camps open May 28. Some camps have limited spots available so sign up now!

Parish Tithing

Please be mindful that St. Vincent Parish's main source of income, the Sunday collection, is no longer taking place. If you have signed up for Faith Direct, thank you! Faith Direct is the innovative solution that allows you to support St. Vincent de Paul Parish using electronic funds transfer from a bank account or credit/debit card just as you may do now with your mortgage payment, etc. It is simple, safe and convenient. You can begin supporting St. Vincent electronically today by visiting faith.direct/MO885. If you do not want to use this option, feel free to mail in your Sunday donation. As always, thank you for your contributions!

Christian Service Ministry

During this time of uncertainty, please remember St. Vincent's Christian Service Ministry. Not only does this ministry assist local agencies and parish members, it also helps people from the community and elsewhere who need assistance with food, gas, rent, lodging, medicine, travel, etc. When possible, individuals are referred to agencies that help in specific areas. Other times these individuals are helped by the parish Christian Service ministry. If you would like to help support this ministry, please write a check to "St. Vincent Parish" and note "Christian Service Ministry" in the memo line.

Readings - April 12, 2020

Acts of the Apostles 10:34a, 37-43 Colossians 3:1-4 • John 20:1-9

Collection - March 29, 2020	
Collection	\$ 17,019.00
E-Tithing	\$ 472.00
Total	\$ 17,491.00
Weekly Budget	\$ 31,450.00
Year-to-date Difference	- \$ 9,544.70

Please be a good steward of God's gifts by using Faith Direct or by using your contribution envelope.

Employment Opportunities

St. Vincent de Paul School, Cape Girardeau, is looking to fill the following positions for the 2020-2021 school year: **Technology Director/Technician with part-time teaching**, and an **Early Elementary Teaching** position. For an application go to <u>dioscg.org</u> or call the school office at 573-334-9594. To be considered for these positions, an application must be completed.

St. Vincent Parish is looking for a **Substitute Custodian** for the Parish Grade School. Current pay would be \$9.45 per hour and applicant must complete Virtus training and a background check. If interested, contact the parish office at 335-7667 or <u>contactus@svparish.com</u>.

Immaculate Conception School, Jackson, has an opening for a Grade 6-8 Language Arts Teacher. Interested candidates may contact Michele Campbell at <u>mcampbell@icsjackson.eduk12.net</u>.

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Go to the Web browser on your computer or phone and type: <u>https://</u> <u>svcape.formed.org</u>. Click on Register. Next you will need to type in your information and create a password. Check the box that you have read and understand the terms of service. At the bottom, click on "create account." You will now have access to all of the resources in **Formed**. You can also access Formed by searching for "Formed" through your app store.

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



A Prayer During Times of a Pandemic

May we who are merely inconvenienced, Remember those whose lives are at stake.

May we who have no risk factors, Remember those most vulnerable. May we who have the luxury of working from home, Remember those who must choose between

preserving their health or making their rent. May we who have the flexibility to care for our children

when their schools close, Remember those who have no options.

May we who have to cancel our trips, Remember those who have no place to go.

May we who are losing our marginal income in the tumult of the economic market, Remember those who have no margin at all.

May we who settle in for a quarantine at home, Remember those who have no home.

During this time when we cannot physically wrap our arms around each other, Let us yet find ways to be the loving embrace of God to our neighbors. Amen.

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, Tuesday, Wednesday, and Friday, 8:00 a.m. - 4:30 p.m. You may email the parish office at contactus@svparish or call 335-7667. A parish registration form is available at <u>http://www.svcape.com/Parish/</u>.

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Street Address

City/State/Zip

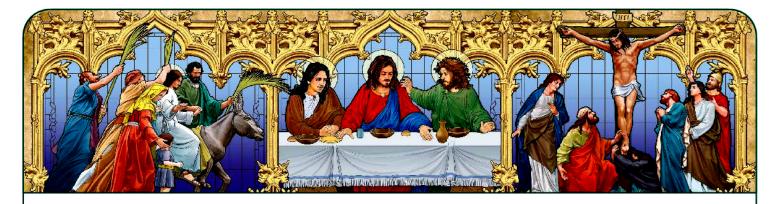
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Phone _

☐ 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.

- $\hfill\square$ 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.



THIS WEEK AT HOME

Monday, April 6 The Lord of Life

As Jesus anticipates his death, we notice a terrible irony. People want to kill the one who raised a man from the dead. Moreover, Jesus is the servant God sent into the world. The Father, who breathes life into people and sustains creation with his Spirit, sent his Son to lead people out of darkness, to open their eyes and give them life. Although the people will crucify this servant, he will rise from the dead. During the Sacrament of Reconciliation, confess the ways you have harmed others. *Today's Readings: Isaiah 42:1–7; Psalm 27:1, 2, 3, 13–14; John 12:1–11.*

Tuesday, April 7 Failures

When Jesus speaks of his glorification, he refers not only to being raised up to new life but also to being raised up on the cross. He undergoes his glorification as one friend betrays him and another denies knowing him. Jesus is the servant who seems to have accomplished nothing, to have failed in revealing his Father to the world. As God declared to his servant, however, Jesus' work has not been in vain. Should you try again at something you had given up on? *Today's Readings: Isaiah* 49:1–6; *Psalm* 71:1–2, 3–4a, 5ab–6ab, 15 and 17; John 13:21–33, 36–38.

Wednesday, April 8 Facing It

We hear again from God's servant, who perseveres in doing God's will despite offensive and painful mockery. As Jesus eats with his disciples for the last time, he knows what he will endure because of his ministry, yet he "sets his face like flint" and remains steadfast. Despite all that is done to him, he will neither falter nor be ashamed. Is there a particular conflict you have been avoiding? How can you face it calmly and prayerfully? *Today's Readings: Isaiah 50:4–9a; Psalm 69:8–10, 21–22, 31 and 33–34; Matthew 26:14–25.*

Thursday, April 9 Holy Thursday

As Jesus celebrates the liberation of his people from Egypt and the many blessings God had bestowed, he prepares his disciples for the blessings of eternal life that God bestows through him. To share in this new life, we must be humble and selfless enough to give up the lives we have now. Read and pray with John 17. Today's Readings: Exodus 12:1–8, 11–14; Psalm 116:12–13, 15–16bc, 17–18; 1 Corinthians 11:23–26; John 13:1–15.

Friday, April 10 Good Friday

God's servant offers himself up for judgment. Like Pilate, our decision about Jesus becomes a statement about us. We profess that Jesus is God's Son and our Savior, but have we followed his way, accepted his truth, and welcomed his life? Surround yourself with as much silence as you can today. *Today's Readings: Isaiah* 52:13—53:12; *Psalm* 31:2, 6, 12–13, 15–16, 17, 25; *Hebrews* 4:14–16; 5:7–9; John 18:1—19:42.

Saturday, April 11 The Easter Vigil

Ancient texts are proclaimed to us this holy night, but even these could not prepare people for the Resurrection. Creation again shakes in fear and wonder, yet we are told not to be afraid but to embrace our Risen Lord and to go quickly to share this joyous news. *Today's Readings: Genesis* 1:1–2:2 or 1:1, 26–31a; Psalm 104:1–2, 5–6, 10, 12, 13–14, 24, 35 or Psalm 33:4–5, 6–7, 12–13, 20–22; Genesis 22:1–18 or 22:1– 2, 9a, 10–13, 15–18; Psalm 16:5, 8, 9–10, 11; Exodus 14:15–15:1; Exodus 15:1–2, 3–4, 5–6, 17–18; Isaiah 54:5– 14; Psalm 30:2, 4, 5–6, 11–12, 13; Isaiah 55:1–11; Isaiah 12:2–3, 4, 5–6; Baruch 3:9–15, 32–4:4; Psalm 19:8, 9, 10, 11; Ezekiel 36:16–17a, 18–28; Psalm 42:3, 5; 43:3, 4 or Isaiah 12:2–3, 4bcd, 5–6 or Psalm 51:12–13, 14–15, 18–19; Romans 6:3–11; Psalm 118:1–2, 16–17, 22–23; Matthew 28:1–10.



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