# St. Vincent de Paul Catholic Church

#### **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



Happy 186th Anniversary to St. Vincent de Paul Parish!

• ESTABLISHED APRIL 9, 1836 •



Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord April 10, 2022

Merciful Messiah

Almighty God, look with mercy on your people, and grant us forgiveness. Increase our faith as we honor Jesus, our messiah, who brings us to new life in you. May we praise you with our whole heart, following the humble example of your Son. Take away our sinfulness and lead us to the joy of your kingdom. We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen.

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Confessions During Holy Week

"Turn away from sin and be faithful to the Gospel!" These are the words heard on Ash Wednesday when the Holy Ashes are marked on foreheads. This ancient practice of acknowledging sin is also a great opportunity ... God's unconditional forgiveness! During these days leading up to Easter, the Sacrament of Reconciliation will be offered at various times. Take advantage of these blessed encounters with the Forgiving Father!

• "Spy Wednesday," April 13, "on the hour" from 12:00 noon - 8:00 p.m. ("On the hour" means that the priest will be in the confessional at the top of the hour and stay for at least 10 minutes. If no one is present at that time, the priest will return at the top of the next hour.)

These are the last opportunities for confessions during Holy Week. During the Sacred Triduum of Holy Thursday, Good Friday and Holy Saturday, there will be no confessions.)

#### Mass Intentions

#### Monday, April 11

6:30 am Living and Deceased Members of the Lively Family

Tuesday, April 12 6:30 am Ray and Geneva Viox ⊕

#### Wednesday, April 13

6:30 am Deceased Members of the John Toenjes Family ∜ 5:15 pm Ralph Lee Lape Jr. ∜

Holy Thursday, April 14 7:30 pm World Peace

#### Good Friday, April 15

12:00 pmPassion of the Lord3:00 pmPassion of the Lord (Bilingual)7:30 pmPassion of the Lord

#### Holy Saturday, April 16

7:30 pm RCIA Candidates and Their Intentions

#### Easter Sunday, April 17

7:00 am Leona Bucher <sup>⊕</sup>
9:00 am Stanley Clippard <sup>⊕</sup>
11:00 am St. Vincent de Paul Parish Family
3:00 pm Alma Heisserer <sup>⊕</sup>

#### Prayer Requests

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

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#### ~ Attention Youth ~

#### Holy Thursday Pilgrimage to Seven Churches

#### April 14, 2022 8:00 p.m. - 12:00 midnight

After the Mass of the Last Supper on Thursday evening, join with other youth to travel to seven local churches for adoration and prayer. A pancake breakfast will be held at the Kelso KC Hall at 11:00 p.m. For more information and to RSVP, email Tiff Brey at <u>stvcapeyouth@gmail.com</u>.

Congratulations to Dave and Cathy Kapfer as they celebrate their 50th Wedding Anniversary! Please continue to pray for all married couples and those preparing for marriage. "The Lord God has given me a well-trained tongue that I may know how to speak to the weary a word that will rouse them," says Isaiah in today's first reading. The gifts God has given us are likewise given for the good of others. How am I using my gifts?

#### **Chrism Mass**

#### Cathedral of St. Mary of the Annunciation

The **Mass of Chrism** is celebrated on Monday evening at St. Mary Cathedral beginning at 7:00 p.m. During the Mass, the bishop and priests renew their commitment of service to God's people and olive oil is blessed for the sacramental celebrations of baptism, confirmation, anointing of the sick and ordination. All are invited.

#### **Young Adult Lenten Event**

Join the Regional Catholic Young Adult group (ages 18-40) on Tuesday, April 12, at 7:00 p.m. for their final Lenten event! The night will include the normal Bible study plus a short, live presentation. Come enjoy Catholic fellowship! Doors open at 6:50 p.m. at the old convent. For more info, contact Carlee at <u>idCapeinfo@gmail.com</u>.

#### **Operation Rice Bowl**

Please feel free to bring your Rice Bowl to any of the services on Holy Thursday, Good Friday, or Easter Masses. You can place your donation in the basket near the Baptismal font at the entrance of the Church (near the Cross). CRS Rice Bowl began in 1975. Every year, families from nearly 14,000 communities across the United States fill nearly 3 million Rice Bowls with their Lenten alms. While these donations make a difference around the world, they also help in the United States, as 25% of all donations stay in the diocese from which they came. Through the stories featured in this year's event, Rice Bowl participants have learned how people in other countries overcome the factors that lead to hunger, including flooding and drought. Thank you for your generosity this year in donating to the CRS Rice Bowl. Your sharing of your abundance with the global family in need is a great gift. Thank you for your generosity.

#### **Good Friday Collection**

On Good Friday, a collection will be taken for fellow Christians in the Holy Land. Pope Francis has asked for your support to help the parishes and Catholic schools located there. It also goes to help the Sacred Shrines to remain open to visiting pilgrims. The wars, unrest and instability have been especially hard on Christians who live in the Holy Land. In these times of crisis, the Good Friday Collection provides humanitarian aid to refugees. When you contribute to this collection, you become an instrument of peace and join with Catholics around the world in solidarity with the Church in the Holy Land. An envelope for this collection is available in your monthly packet or you may donate through Faith Direct. Please be generous! For more information, visit www.myfranciscan.org/ good-friday.

In celebration of Easter, the parish office will be closed on Good Friday, April 15, and Easter Monday, April 18.

# May He Rest in Peace

Sympathy is extended to the family of **Gilbert Logel**, a member of the St. Vincent de Paul Parish family.

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

#### **Ideas for the Home**

**Holy Thursday** - If you cannot attend the celebration of the Lord's Last Supper at Church on Holy Thursday, why not try to do something in your own home-church on that evening.

- You could have a special meal on Thursday and for your Meal Blessing Prayer, read one of the accounts from Scripture about the Last Supper (Luke 22:1-22; Mark 14:12-26, Matthew 26:17-30 or 1 Corinthians 11:23-26).
- Holy Thursday's emphasis on the "Washing of Feet" also gave rise to the ancient tradition of "Spring Cleaning" ... getting the home ready for the great Feast of Easter. You can tell children about this tradition and ask to them to clean their rooms in order to observe Holy Thursday and get ready for Easter. You might read John 13:1-2.
- After having your special Holy Thursday Meal, you could come to Church for a little quiet prayer in Adoration with the Lord in the "Garden of Gethsemane" where the Altar of Repose is kept. If this is not possible, why not light some candles and say some special prayers before bedtime.

#### **Good Friday**

- Fast and abstain on this day! This is required by the Catholic Church if you are healthy and 18 years or older. You can also encourage your kids to skip snacks on this sacred day.
- Keep fun activities to a minimum. For example, do not have an Easter party on Good Friday.
- Good Friday is the first day of the **Divine Mercy Novena**, so start it today.
- The most sacred hours during Good Friday are from 12:00 noon to 3:00 p.m. because this is when Jesus was on the cross. These hours are sometimes known as the three hours of agony. During this time, try to have a special silence in your home and encourage your children to do the same (to the best of their ability). Turn off the phones, television, and other screen devices. As a family you could pray the Sorrowful Mysteries of the Rosary, read from the Bible about the Crucifixion, or have your children quietly draw or color religious pictures.

#### **Holy Saturday**

- Come to Church at 9:00 a.m. on Holy Saturday morning and help decorate for the Solemnity of Easter later in the evening. The Easter Vigil begins at 7:30 p.m. and this is the **big** Easter Mass for the RCIA Catechumens and parish.
- Make Easter Story Cookies (AKA: Resurrection Cookies). This is a fun way to prepare for Easter with your kids! It is a beloved tradition in many Catholic homes on Holy Saturday. Each ingredient for the cookies has a symbolism to the Resurrection story, and the process of making the cookies represents the Resurrection and has coordinating Scripture! This post has full directions and a picture tutorial for making the cookies. Go to www.allrecipes.com/recipe/11317/easter-story-cookies/ and find out more about this tradition.



#### The Week Ahead

#### Monday, April 11

7:15 amSt Vincent de Paul Society8:00 amSVS Confirmation Prep7:00 pmChrism Mass (St. Mary Cathedral)

#### Tuesday, April 12

SVS Confirmation Prep
Mass at Heartland Care
Tuesday Evening Bible Study
Tuesday Night Thrive (Young Adult)

#### Wednesday, April 13

8:00 am	Ugly Quilt Ministry
	(8.00 - 11:00 am)
9:00 am	Wednesday Morning Bible Study
9:00 am	Mass at Veterans' Home
12:00 pm	Reconciliation
	(on the hour until 8:00 pm)
3:00 pm	Divine Mercy Holy Hour
6:00 pm	Parish School of Religion

#### Thursday, April 14

9:00 am	Morning Prayer		
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		
6:00 pm	Financial Peace University		
7:30 pm	Mass of the Lord's Supper Adoration following until midnight		
riday April 15			

#### Friday, April 15

Morning Prayer
Passion of the Lord
Passion of the Lord (Bilingual)
Passion of the Lord

#### Saturday, April 16

9:00 am Morning Prayer 7:30 pm Easter Vigil Mass

#### Sunday, April 17

7:00 am Easter Mass 9:00 am Easter Mass 11:00 am Easter Mass 3:00 pm Easter Mass (Spanish)

#### Readings - April 17, 2022

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

Collection - April 3, 2022				
Collection	\$21,456.81			
E-Tithing	\$ 337.00			
Total	\$21,793.81			
Weekly Budget	\$31,450.00			
Difference (7-1-21 to 3-27-22)	\$82,340.38			

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

#### IS CATHERINE'S CUPBOARD ON YOUR GROCERY LIST?

#### Holy Week Schedule •

Monday, April 11 Chrism Mass • 7:00 p.m. St. Mary Cathedral

**"Spy" Wednesday, April 13** Confessions "on the hour" 12:00 - 8:00 p.m.

Please note there will be no scheduled confession times during the Sacred Triduum of Holy Thursday, Good Friday, and Holy Saturday.

Holy Thursday, April 14 Morning Prayer • 9:00 a.m. Mass of the Lord's Supper • 7:30 p.m. Eucharistic Adoration

9:00 p.m. - 12:00 a.m.

**Good Friday, April 15** Morning Prayer • 9:00 a.m. Passion of the Lord • 12:00 p.m. Passion of the Lord (Bilingual) 3:00 p.m.

Passion of the Lord • 7:30 p.m.

Holy Saturday, April 16 Morning Prayer • 9:00 a.m. Easter Vigil Mass • 7:30 p.m.

Easter Sunday, April 17 Easter Masses 7:00 a.m. • 9:00 a.m. • 11:00 a.m. 3:00 p.m. (Spanish)



**Please remember** that **Good Friday** is a **day of fast and abstinence**. Those 14 years and older who are physically able are required to abstain from meat. Fasting is required for those ages 18 through 59. The Church defines fasting as one meal a day, and two smaller meals which, if added together, would not exceed the main meal, as well as no eating between meals.

#### **Beatitude Boxes / Bags**

During the season of Lent, the parishioners of St. Vincent were invited to collect food and paper items for distribution to the needy. **Beatitude Boxes** are be filled with specific food items and **Beatitude Bags** are filled with specific paper products. **Please return the items to the designated boxes in the gathering area no later than April 15.** 

#### Help Decorate the Church for Easter!

You are invited to come to church at 9:30 a.m. on Holy Saturday morning and help decorate for the Solemnity of Easter. (Easter begins with the Easter Vigil at 7:30 p.m. — the **big** Easter Mass for the RCIA Catechumens and parish.) You can come and move Easter lilies, set up the Baptismal font, or hang Easter banners. Help is also needed with the clean up after the decorations have been placed. With good Easter helpers, a huge task will be made easy!



#### **Parish Easter Egg Hunt**

To celebrate the season of Easter, an Egg Hunt will be held for parish children on Easter Sunday, April 17, following the 9:00 a.m. Mass (approximately 10:15 a.m.). The hunt will take place on the fields behind Church. For more information, contact the parish office.

#### **Knights of Columbus Breakfast**

The Knights of Columbus Council 11205 is hosting a breakfast on Sunday, April 24, from 8:00 - 11:00 a.m. in the parish center. There is not charge for the meal but donations will be accepted with all proceeds **benefiting the promotion of vocations for the Diocese of Springfield-Cape Girardeau.** Drop in or come after Masses to enjoy a hot and delicious breakfast.

#### 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 or call 335-7667. A parish registration form is available at <u>http://www.svcape.com/Parish/</u>.

Name	
Address	
Email	Phone
<ul> <li>I am new to Cape Girardeau.</li> <li>I am new to St. Vincent de Paul</li> <li>I have been attending St. Vincent Parish and would like to register as a m</li> <li>I would like to learn more about the Catholic faith.</li> <li>I would like to register my child/children for Parish School of Religion.</li> </ul>	

#### Divine Mercy Sunday April 24, 2022

Tell aching mankind to snuggle close to My merciful heart, and I will fill it with peace. (St. Faustina's Diary, 1074)

I want the image to be solemnly blessed on the first Sunday after Easter, and I want it to be venerated publicly so that every soul may know about it. By means of this image I shall be granting many graces to souls.

(St. Faustina's Diary, 341)



#### Jesus, I trust in You!

#### Old St. Vincent's Church

Corner of William and Main Streets 2:00 p.m. - Confessions and Eucharistic Adoration 3:00-4:00 p.m. - Divine Mercy Holy Hour



#### Saturday, April 30, 2022 8:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.

Drury Plaza Hotel - Cape Girardeau Conference Center Cape Girardeau, Missouri

*A day of intellectual and spiritual formation for Catholic men* Featuring:

- Mass celebrated by Bishop Edward Rice
- Four world-class theologians speaking on subjects ranging from man in the contemporary world to scripture, grace, and salvation
- Refreshments and lunch provided
- Open to all men 16+

Registration and Attendance are FREE To register go to: <u>https://forms.gle/gxggdoNV5nccDmJL9</u>

#### **Baptismal Prep**

Parents and godparents are required to attend a baptismal preparation class before a child is baptized in the Catholic faith. The next class is scheduled for Sunday, April 24, at 4:30 p.m. and will be held in the upper meeting room. Contact the parish office to register and to fill out a baptismal registration form.



#### **Put Your Hands into Hers**

For those of you who were not able to attend the hour-long presentation on Mary by Fr. Ron Ramson, C.M., you can access it on YouTube via the following links.

Part 1 - https://youtu.be/Qpq46thyOpQ Part 2 - https://youtu.be/J13ivRoBMH8 Part 3 - https://youtu.be/jA\_4lAiFW64

#### Saint Gerard Circle

Make plans to join the Saint Gerard Circle, a group of mothers of young children, at their April Meeting at 7:00 p.m. on Thursday, April 28, in the lower meeting room. There will be prayer, fellowship, and speaker Preeti Mungee who will be sharing ways to recognize anxiety in children and ways to support them. You don't want to miss this informative night! All are welcome to attend, even if you have never been to a meeting before.

Preeti Mungee is a Trained Clinician in Medical and Psychiatric Social Work, with a specialization in Medical and Psychiatry. She has been practicing in the field of Mental Health and has been commissioned as a School Counselor. Preeti has also introduced a positive initiative for Junior High students at St. Vincent School (R.I.S.E. -Recognize, Reinforce, Revisit, Reinvent the Inner Strength in Everyone

Everyday). Preeti also meets with individual students as well. She serves St. Vincent and other surrounding Catholic Schools in the Diocese.



#### Summer Care Needs

Thank you for the recent donations for Summer Care. There is a good supply of egg cartons but we are still collecting toilet paper rolls and scrapbook paper/stickers. Other needed items include: Matchbox cars, Legos, magnetic tiles, K'Nex, Lincoln Logs, marble tube set, train table, toy kitchen, Fischer Price toys, board games with pieces, gently used toys, and small kiddie swimming pools.

#### Thank You

Thank you so much to all of the St. Vincent parishioners who said "yes" to writing a Lenten reflection for the first ever "Walking the Journey Together" booklet. We are so grateful for your words of wisdom to help guide us through our Lenten journey. We look forward to continuing this tradition with 46 new writers next Lent.

~ St. Vincent Discipleship Committee

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Bailey Beussink	Mary Catherine Kohlfeld
Laura Boyer	Tim Krieger
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As Jesus entered Jerusalem on a donkey, crowds praised him loudly. When Pharisees told him to silence the people, what did Jesus say would shout if his followers didn't? A. Stones B. Palm branches C. Trees D. Hillsides

#### **Weekly Parish Emails**

Parishioners, 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 <u>kitchenbecky19@gmail.com</u> and she will add you to the email list.

#### **Email Scams**

Please be advised that you should not open or reply to any emails from Father Rick, Father Alex, or Bishop Rice that are requesting a favor by purchasing gift cards. This is considered an email phishing scam. Often times these types of scams target those in positions of authority. Using names of bishops, clergy, and school/parish staff are common ways of trying to get people to respond. There is unfortunately little that can be done to prevent these emails from happening! So, it is important to be mindful of the emails we get and not open or reply to any that seem "off the mark" or strange. As far as emails, Father Rick's email is **stvcapepadre@gmail.com** and Father Alex's email is **fatheralex @svparish.com**.



Answer: A (See Luke 19:40.)

#### Inviting All Youth 1st-12th Grade!

# **TOTUS TUUS**

# **Summer Youth Program**

# June 12-17, 2022

St. Vincent de Paul Parish

1913 Ritter Drive • Cape Girardeau

#### What is Totus Tuus?

Totus Tuus ("Totally Yours") is a week long summer Catholic youth program dedicated to sharing the Gospel and promoting the Catholic faith through evangelization, catechesis, Christian witness, and Eucharistic worship. Totus Tuus is concerned not only with teaching the faith, but also igniting the hearts of young people!

Brochures are available in the gathering area. For more information, you may contact Kathy Raines, Totus Tuus Parish Coordinator, at 573-335-7667 or kraines@svcape.eduk12.net.



🔁 🖳 Scan the QR Code to register online.

Sponsored by: The Office of Evangelization, **Catechesis, and Youth Formation Diocese of Springfield-Cape Girardeau** 



#### **Spiritual Direction Available**

Do you desire to grow closer to God? Spiritual Direction may be what you are seeking. Spiritual direction will help you become more God-centered, to listen and notice where God is working in your life, and to better understand your identity as a child of God. Please contact Meg Garner at 573-579-2188 or meggarnerndhs@gmail.com with questions or to begin spiritual direction.

#### Food for the Fathers

Each Tuesday Food for the Fathers, a parish ministry, will supply a warm meal for three priests. If you are interested in helping with this ministry, please sign up at http://signup.com/login/entry/67699625678106404. You will need to enter your email address but will NOT need to register an account on SignUp.com. If you don't like the choices listed, change your selection to include an entrée and two side dishes (no desserts, please!). Choose the date you would like to provide the meal. SignUp.com will send you an automated confirmation and reminders. Then, on the date chosen, deliver the meal between 5:00 and 6:00 p.m. to the new rectory. If you prefer not to sign up online or have questions, contact Beverly in the parish office at 335-7667.



The right to life is the first among human rights.

#### Contact Information

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#### **Miraculous Medal Perpetual Memberships**

There are many occasions that call for a meaningful gift. Perpetual Memberships from the Association of the Miraculous Medal are now available. Perpetual members share in the eternal spiritual benefits of prayers and Masses at the Shrine of Our Lady of the Miraculous Medal, Perryville. Membership folders are available in the rack in the gathering area. More information can be found at www.amm.org.

#### Pope Francis' Prayer for Peace

Lord God of peace, hear our prayer!

We have tried so many times and over so many years to resolve our conflicts by our own powers and by the force of our arms. How many moments of hostility and darkness have we experienced; how much blood has been shed; how many lives have been shattered; how many hopes have been buried ... But our efforts have been in vain.

Now, Lord, come to our aid! Grant us peace, teach us peace; guide our steps in the way of peace. Open our eyes and our hearts, and give us the courage to say: "Never again war!" "With war everything is lost." Instill in our hearts the courage to take concrete steps to achieve peace.

Lord, God of Abraham, God of the Prophets, God of Love, you created us and you call us to live as brothers and sisters. Give us the strength daily to be instruments of peace; enable us to see everyone who crosses our path as our brother or sister. Make us sensitive to the plea of our citizens who entreat us to turn our weapons of war into implements of peace, our trepidation into confident trust, and our quarreling into forgiveness.

Keep alive within us the flame of hope, so that with patience and perseverance opt for dialogue we may and reconciliation. In this way may peace triumph at last, and may the words "division," "hatred" and "war" be banished from the heart of every man and woman. Lord, defuse the violence of our tongues and our hands. Renew our hearts and minds, so that the word which always brings us together will be "brother," and our way of life will always be that of: Shalom, Peace, Salaam!



United States Conference of Catholic Bishops

#### Weekly Parish Email

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.

#### **Positions Available**

**St. Vincent de Paul Catholic School** is currently accepting applications for a **Sixth Grade Teacher** for the 2022-2023 school year. Applicants should be able to teach World History, Religion, and English. For an application, go to <u>dioscg.org</u>, call the school office at 573-334-9594 or please email <u>kglastetter@svcape.eduk12.net</u> or call 573-334-9594.

**Notre Dame Regional High School** in Cape Girardeau is seeking applicants for an open **Multimedia/Communications** position for the upcoming 2022-23 school year. Interested candidates should send their resume, cover letter and list of references to Paul Unterreiner at paulunterreiner@notredamecape.org. Applicants should be committed individuals that can teach Journalism, Yearbook and Video Broadcasting. Other responsibilities include coordinating and supervising livestreams and working with Notre Dame's webpage and social media platforms. Notre Dame is a Roman Catholic school in the Diocese of Springfield-Cape Girardeau, so preference would be given to practicing Catholics.

St. Augustine School is seeking a full-time **Fourth Grade Teacher** and a **Fifth Grade/Middle School Science Teacher** for the 2022-23 school year.vApplicants must be practicing Catholic, possess an appropriate certification and hold a Bachelor's degree. Previous teaching experience at the elementary level is preferred. Applications are available on the school website, <u>www.stakelso.eduk12.net</u>. Applications may be submitted in person, through mail, or online to Mrs. Katie Hendricks, Physical Address: St. Augustine School, 231 S. Messmer St. Mail to PO Box 97, Kelso, MO 63758. Email to <u>khendricks@stakelso.eduk12.net</u>.

**Immaculate Conception Parish, Jackson**, is currently accepting applications for a **Youth and Family Director**. Applicants must be a practicing Catholic. Please contact Fr. Randy Tochtrop at 573-243-3182 or pastor@icjacksonmo.com.

#### **NDRHS Cheer and Dance Team Tryouts**

Interested in being a Notre Dame Cheerleader or a member of the Notre Dame Dance Team for 2022-2023? Cheer and Dance clinics will be held April 18-21 at ND from 4:00 - 5:30 p.m., with tryouts on April 22 at 4:00 p.m.

Please complete the Cheer and Dance Tryout online form by the first day of the clinic. Download the Cheer or Dance tryout packet from www.notredamehighschool.org/tryouts. Don't wait until the last minute because there are important deadlines concerning teacher/ coach evaluations. Every athlete is required to complete the FamilyID registration and upload a MSHSAA Physical Examination Form dated within the past year.

### Journeying Through Lent

# Servant to All

#### Monday, April 11

**Tuesday, April 12** 

Our first reading is a part of the servant songs in the Book of Isaiah. These are also known as the songs of the suffering servant; the others are found in Isaiah 49, 50, and 52-53. The prophecies within these songs point to Jesus, who brought justice and peace to all people and yet endured great suffering for us. Give thanks to Jesus today by serving another without counting to cost to you. *Today's readings: Isaiah 42:1-7; Psalm 27:1, 2, 3, 13-14; John 12:1-11*.

# Chrism Mass

During Holy Week, the Church celebrates the Chrism Mass, at which the oil of catechumens and the oil of the sick are blessed, and the sacred chrism is consecrated for use that year. Pray for all priests, who serve the people of God in parishes and dioceses around the world through the administration of the sacraments and in countless other ways. *Today's readings: Isaiah 49:1-6; Psalm 71:1-2-4a, 5ab-6ab, 15 and 17; John 13:21-33, 36-38.* 

# Betrayals

# Judas betrayed Jesus for thirty pieces of silver, and later regretted his actions. Jesus knew that a close friend would turn him over to the authorities. All of us have made unkind comments or poor choices that have betrayed, hurt, or defamed another person. Take quiet prayer time today to pray for those you have hurt. Ask God to help you forgive yourself for what you said or did, and for his grace of unending mercy. *Today's readings: Isaiah 50:4-9a; Psalm 69:8-10, 21-22, 31 and 33-34; Matthew 26:14-25.*

# Servant Leadership

#### Thursday, April 14

Wednesday, April 13

During the Evening Mass of the Lord's Supper, the Church celebrates Jesus' gift of the Eucharist but also the Lord's modeling of servant leadership. During the Passover meal, Jesus, "fully aware that the Father had put everything into his power," bent to wash the feet of his disciples. Enter into the Sacred Paschal Triduum tonight by participating at Mass in your parish. *Evening Mass of the Lord's Supper: Exodus 12:1-8, 11-14; Psalm 116:12-13, 15-16bc, 17-18; 1 Corinthians 11:23-26; John 13:1–15.* 

# All for You

#### Friday, April 15

Jesus died on the cross to raise us to new life in the Spirit. As Christians, we are called to commend our spirit to God, and fully surrender our lives to him. Pray with a sincere heart today, remembering all that Jesus has done for you. *Celebration of the Lord's Passion: 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.

# Most Holy Night

#### Saturday, April 16

At the Easter Vigil, the high point of the liturgical year, those who have been preparing for the initiation sacraments received baptism, confirmation, and the Eucharist. Pray with and welcome these new members of the Church. Today's readings: Genesis 1:1-2:2; 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; 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; Ezra 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; Luke 24:1-12.

## Sunday, April 10 True Love

Today's readings: Luke 19:28-40; Isaiah 50:4-7; Psalm 22:8-9, 17-18, 19-20, 23-24; Philippians 2:6-11; Luke 22:14-23:56.

In the celebration of Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord, the tenor of the readings begins with joyous acclaims of hosanna to later change to horrifying calls for Jesus' death. On this Sunday, the Gospel reading of the procession portrays crowds regarding Jesus as a king, but in the Gospel during the Liturgy of the Word, our Lord is mocked.

No matter how the people treated Jesus, he was true to himself and the mission God gave him. As St. Paul tells us in the Letter to the Philippians, "he humbled himself, becoming obedient to the point of death." When Jesus was about to be arrested, he healed the high priest's servant and called on his disciples to refrain from violence. And when asked if he is the Christ, Jesus only responded by saying, "You say so."

In his passion, Jesus teaches us that no matter the circumstance, we are to remain true to the person God has created us to be. Through such authentic living, we carry our cross, turn from our old way of living, and allow our heart to be open to God. Luke's account of the Gospel records that all of Jesus' "acquaintances stood at a distance." As we observe his passion and death today, we can stand by his cross, acclaiming in our hearts, "Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord!"

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