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 Service • Worship

Weekend Masses

Saturday 5:00 p.m. Sunday 7:30, 9:00, 10:45 a.m., 3:00 p.m. (Spanish)

Weekday Masses

Monday 6:30 a.m. Tuesday 6:30 a.m. Wednesday 6:30 a.m., 5:15 p.m. Thursday 6:30 a.m., 8:00 a.m. Friday 6:30 a.m., 8:00 a.m. First Friday 8:00 a.m. Saturday 6:30 a.m.

Confessions

Friday 12:00 noon, 7:00 p.m. (during Lent) Saturday 3:30 - 4:30 p.m. or by appointment

Repent and believe in the gospel

First Sunday of Lent February 18, 2024

Guide Us, Lord



Lord, you brought salvation to Noah through the waters and carried him through his time of trial to a covenant of love. All times and all seasons belong to you. As we now begin this time, this season, our time of trial, stay close to us. Carry us through our temptations. Remove all that keeps us apart from you. Lead us by the right paths so that we may live in the light of your love. We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen.

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St. Vincent Parish Grief Support Group starting soon



Have you lost a loved one ? Are you feeling alone in your grief? Join a small group of people to share your story and get support.

- faith-based
- 8 sessions
- confidentiality
- comfortable

environment

peer support

for more information: Call or text Gerry Strohmeyer @ 573.270.3786 or Call parish office @ 573.335.7667

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• Mass Intentions •

Monday, February 19 Presidents' Day 6:30 am Susan Hansen (living)

Tuesday, February 20

6:30 am Living and Deceased Members of the Jack and Sue Owens Family

Wednesday, February 21

St. Peter Damian

6:30 am Bernardina and Christina Hoernig [⊕]
5:15 pm Living and Deceased Members of the St. Vincent de Paul CCW

Thursday, February 22

The Chair of St. Peter the Apostle 6:30 am Living and Deceased Members of the Ron Worl Family

8:00 am Cathy Riser (living)

Friday, February 23 St. Polycarp

6:30 am Harold Werner ⊕ 8:00 am Paul Hendrickson ⊕

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Saturday, February 24

6:30 am James, Sophia, and Eva Mae Poirrier ⁺⊅ 5:00 pm Living and Deceased Members of the Kirn Family

Sunday, February 25

Second Sunday of Lent 7:30 am Leonard Canoy ♥ 9:00 am Shirley Huber ♥ 10:45 am Joseph Meyer ♥ 3:00 pm St. Vincent de Paul Parish Family (Bilingual)

Prayer Requests

Please remember **Tony Buehrle, Ryan Rupard, Donna Schulz,** the sick, the hospitalized, and those who care for them. Pray also for homebound St. Vincent parishioners.

Guide Book and Directory

St. Vincent de Paul Parish is in updating the Annual Guide Book and Directory. This book contains parish information and is being provided at no cost to the Church (including postage for mailing to each household). This is being subsidized by local businesses that advertise in the directory. If you own or manage a business and would like to find out more about advertising, please call Brenda Tolbert with Guide Book Publishing at 314-745-4220 or email btolbert1159@yahoo.com.

For information on the **Summer Care Program 2024.** please call the school office at 573-334-9594 or visit the website at <u>https://www.svscape.net/summercare</u>. he waters of Baptism make us part of the new covenant in Christ. But the bishops' pastoral letter on stewardship reminds us that "there is a fundamental obligation arising from the Sacrament of Baptism ... that people place their gifts, their resources — their selves — at God's service in and through the Church."

SEMO Food Bank

The St. Vincent de Paul Council of Catholic Women will pack food boxes at the SEMO Food Bank in Miner, Missouri, on **Tuesday**, **February 20**. The volunteers will carpool from the JC Penney parking lot at 8:30 a.m. If interested, please call Carol Simon at 314-440-4467.

LifeHouse Opens Soon — Get Involved!

Catholic Charities of Southern Missouri is thrilled to open LifeHouse Crisis Maternity Home this spring! A residential program for homeless pregnant women, LifeHouse provides the stability, support, and resources needed to create a brighter life for the women and their children.

The LifeHouse program relies heavily on a dedicated team of volunteers! LifeHouse is hosting a volunteer fair **next week** so you can learn about the many ways to get involved with LifeHouse. From transportation and childcare to tutors and kitchen volunteers, there is truly a job for everyone! Volunteers are at the heart of LifeHouse's ministry, and they would love to have you join their team.

Wednesday, February 21, 2024 • 3:00 - 7:00 p.m.

Osage Centre • Meeting Room 2

1625 N. Kingshighway, Cape Girardeau, Missouri

Please contact Jill Guise, Volunteer and Outreach Specialist, with any questions (417-720-4213 • jguise@ccsomo.org).

Saint Gerard's Circle

Saint Gerard's Circle is a ministry for mothers of young children in the St. Vincent de Paul Parish. (Public, private, homeschool, and not in school yet mommas are all welcome!) The goal is to provide friendships and support within the parish, a Catholic foundation for children, a continuation of spiritual guidance for members and families, and to encourage community involvement.

The next meeting will be held on **Thursday**, **February 22**, **at 7:00 p.m.** in the lower meeting room of church. The program for the evening will include painting Blessed Mother statues. Additional details can be found on the St. Gerard Facebook page <u>www.facebook.com/groups/</u><u>saintgerardcircle</u>.

Reconciliation During Lent

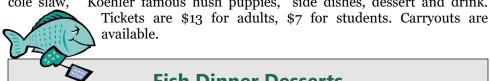
"Turn away from sin and be faithful to the Gospel!" These are the words heard on Ash Wednesday when ashes are marked on each person's forehead. During these days of Lent, the Sacrament of Reconciliation will be offered at various times. Take advantage of these blessed encounters with the Forgiving Father!

- Every Friday from 12:00 12:30 p.m. and 7:00 7:30 p.m.
- Every Saturday from 3:30 4:30 p.m.

You may also make an appointment if these times are not good for you.

Lenten Fish Fry

The St. Vincent de Paul Men's Association will sponsor a Catfish Dinner each Friday during Lent from 4:30 - 7:00 p.m. The family friendly meal includes fresh American pond raised catfish, "Todt secret recipe cole slaw," "Koehler famous hush puppies," side dishes, dessert and drink.



Fish Dinner Desserts

Each week during Lent, the Circle Leaders of the Women's Council will contact parishioners to donate desserts for the Friday Fish Dinner. If you have never been called and would like to bring a dessert on Friday, February 16, please contact one of the following: Dotty Wencewicz (573-579-7260), Chrisie Rust (573-579-3727), Pat Wells (573-335-2299), Arlene Schnurbusch (573-339-7933), Norma Parker (573-208-8802), or Millie Hinkle (573-450-6848).

Guidelines for Fasting/Abstinence during Lent

Abstinence is a penitential practice consisting of refraining from the consumption of meat and is to be observed by all Catholics who are 14 years of age and older. Ash Wednesday, Good Friday, and the Fridays during Lent are days of abstinence. Fasting is to be observed on Ash Wednesday and Good Friday for ages 18 - 59 (inclusive). 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.

Note: If a person is unable to observe the above regulations due to ill health or other serious reasons, they are urged to practice other forms of self-denial suitable to their condition.

Stations of the Cross - A Beautiful Tradition

The Stations of the Cross are images of stories about the passion and death of Jesus Christ. Most of the stories which make up the Stations were drawn from Scripture, and others, such as Saint Veronica wiping the face of Jesus, were taken from tradition. The route traditionally held to have been taken by Jesus to his death at Calvary (Golgotha) in Jerusalem is called the Via Dolorosa or the Sorrowful Way. The Stations were erected in local churches as a way of bringing this prayerful experience to those who could not travel to Jerusalem.

Stations of the Cross are celebrated in the church every Friday during Lent at 5:00 in Spanish and at 6:15 p.m. in English. Stations are also celebrated by the school children on most Wednesday afternoons at 2:00 p.m. Please join in this devotional praver and make it a part of your Lenten journey.



Vincent's Vittles

Vincent's Vittles is a dinner hosted the last Saturday of every month for parishioners and those in need of a warm meal and good fellowship. The next Vincent's Vittles will be served on Saturday, February 24, 2024. Plan to attend and invite a friend.

If you, as an individual or a group, would like to help with this rewarding community meal, please contact Deacon Mark.

IS CATHERINE'S CUPBOARD ON YOUR GROCERY LIST?

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Monday, February 19

Tuesday, February 20

9:30 am Communion Service at Fountainbleau 6:00 pm Tuesday Evening Bible Study

Wednesday, February 21

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8:00 am	Ugly Quilts			
9:00 am	Wednesday Morning Bible Study			
10:00 am	Mass at Capetown			
2:00 pm	Stations of the Cross (School)			
3:00 pm	Divine Mercy Holy Hour			
6:00 pm	PSR			
6:00 pm	RCIA			
6:15 pm	Alpha			
Thursday, February 22				

9:00 am Maxine's Shareable Wearables (9:00 - 11:00 am) 9:00 am Thursday Morning Bible Study 1:00 pm Thursday Afternoon Bible Study 5:00 pm School Board 5:30 pm Centering Prayer 6:30 pm Eucharistic Revival Small Group 7:00 pm St. Gerard Circle Friday, February 23

12:00 pm	Reconciliation
4:30 pm	Men's Association Fish Fry
5:00 pm	Stations of the Cross (Spanish)
6:15 pm	Stations of the Cross (English)
7:00 pm	Reconciliation
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Saturday, February 24

9:00 am	Maxine's Shareable Wearables (9:00 am - 12:00 noon)
3:30 pm	Reconciliation
6.00 pm	Vincent's Vittles

Sunday, February 25

9:00 am Children's Lituray of the Word 4:30 pm Baptismal Prep

Readings - February 25, 2024

Genesis 22:1-2, 9a, 10-13, 15-18 Romans 8:31b-34 • Mark 9:2-10

Collection - February 11, 2024

Collection	\$ 13,206.67
E-Tithing	\$ 38,580.02
Total	\$ 51,786.67
Weekly Budget	\$ 34,200.00
Difference (7-1-23 to 2-11-24)	\$ 70,754.31

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

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Do you know that every week St. Vincent de Paul sends out an email of events happening in the parish? This is a great communication tool and it helps to keep people connected. If you would like to be a part of this communication, contact <u>stvincentcapegirardeau@</u> <u>gmail.com</u> and you will be added to the list.

SVS PRESENTS







\$25 per person / tables of 8 players payment collected night of event

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 24, 2024 DOORS OPEN AT 6:00 PM TRIVIA STARTS AT 7:00 PM

popcorn and soda provided BYO adult beverages

Contact Emily Alley, emilyalley07@gmail.com, to reserve your table!

Deerfield Lodge 6275 CR313 Cape Girardeau, MO 63701

The Church in Central and Eastern Europe

Next weekend, **February 24-25**, a collection will be taken up for the Church in Central and Eastern Europe. This collection supports the Church in more than 20 countries that still struggle to recover from Communist rule. Funds from this collection support pastoral care, catechesis, building renovations, and seminary formation. Your support restores the Church and builds the future in this region. Please prayerfully consider how you can support the collection next weekend.

Baptismal Prep

Parents and godparents are required to attend a <u>baptismal preparation class before a child is baptized in the Catholic faith. The next class here at St. Vincent is scheduled for **Sunday, February 25, 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.</u>



A Lenten Opportunity Beatitude Boxes and Bags

During the season of Lent, the parishioners of St. Vincent are invited to collect food and paper items for distribution to the needy. **Beatitude** Boxes will be filled with specific food items and Beatitude Bags will be filled with specific paper products.

Tags are posted on the bulletin board in the gathering area. Some tags will list all items in the box (approximate cost \$30-\$35) and all items in the bag (approximate cost \$12-\$15). Other tags list some of the items in the box or bag. You are invited to take one or more tags and purchase the requested items. Return the items to the designated boxes in the gathering area no later than March 29. Boxes and bags will then be filled and given to the needy in the local community.

Operation Rice Bowl

Join St. Vincent Parish, and nearly 14,000 Catholic communities across the United States, in a life-changing Lenten journey with CRS Rice Bowl. On Ash Wednesday, pick up your family's rice bowl from the gathering area and let it be your ticket to global solidarity as you pray, fast, learn and give this Lent in order to change the lives of brothers and sisters in need. Please place your Rice Bowl offerings in an envelope and return to church on Good Friday. Remember, what you give up for Lent changes lives.

Salad for the Fathers

This Food for the Fathers ministry is being changed for Lent! Once a week, "Salad for the Fathers" supplies a large lettuce salad (chef salad, cobb salad, fresh spinach salad, garden salad, etc.) to Father Rick, Father John, and Seminarian Daniel. This is in appreciation for the time and service they give to the parish family. It's a small way to say thank you and provide refreshment and retreat. If you would like to assist with this ministry, please use the QR code or sign up at https://signup.com/go/ asyQDwa. Please deliver your meal (dinner rolls are okay but no desserts

please) to the rectory at 741 N. Forest Avenue between 5:00 - 6:00 p.m. If you have questions, contact Beverly at the parish office by calling 335-7667, Monday - Friday, 8:00 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.



Thank you for sharing your time, talent, and harvest!

NDRHS Incoming Freshman Night

Welcome class of 2028! Incoming freshmen and their parents are encouraged to attend the Incoming Freshman Night scheduled for **Thursday**, February 29, at 6:30 p.m. Students and parents will meet with Notre Dame faculty and make course selections. Please note that all registration forms should be completed online before this event. Please contact Notre Dame Regional High School about the enrollment process.

Girl/Boy Scout, Little Flower Girl Club, and American Heritage Girl Club Applcations

The Catholic Youth Adventure Program Awards Ceremony will be held on Sunday, May 5, at 2:00 p.m. at St. John Henry Newman Center, 512 North Pacific Street, Cape Girardeau. Deadline for application is March 29, **2024.** For all scouting applications and inquiry, please contact Mary Ann Hennecke at 573-837-7472 or email mahennecke@hotmail.com.



Worldwide Marriage Encounter presents weekend experiences for married couples to rekindle romance, enhance meaningful communication, and deepen and renew commitment. Make a New Year's resolution to keep your marriage a priority. Sign up now as space is limited. For more information or to apply, go to wwme.org, or call Terry and Eric Engholm at 314-649-7317. Upcoming dates include ...

- March 15-17, 2024 Drury Inn, Cape Girardeau
- April 5-7, 2024 St. Peters, Missouri
- August 2-4, 2024 St. Peters, Missouri
- September 27-29, 2024 St. Peters, Missouri
- October 11-13, 2024 Springfield, Illinois

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Congratulations

to these St. Vincent parishioners as they celebrate their Wedding Anniversaries • 30 Years • **Carlos and Martha Robles** • 62 Years • Norman and Donna Kirn



Please continue to pray for all married couples and those preparing for marriage.

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``I establish My covenant with you. If in your listening to the Lord, you are sensing the invitation to follow Christ as a priest, deacon, sister, or brother, talk to Father Rick Jones or reach out to Father Alexander Sutachan at asutachan@dioscg.org.

Sacred Heart Pilgrimage December 27, 2023 -December 27, 2024

This year marks the 350th anniversary of the first apparition of the of the Sacred Heart of Jesus to the young French nun, St. Margaret Mary Alacoque, who belonged to the Order of the Visitation of Our Lady.

In honor of this special anniversary, Bishop Edward M. Rice has invited all parishioners of the Diocese of Springfield-Cape Girardeau to participate in a pilgrimage to all 12 parishes named after the Sacred Heart. Limited Edition Sacred Heart "Passports" are available to be downloaded and printed off at home, with each parish and location listed.

At each parish you will find a Sacred Heart Station where you can stamp your passport, find a prayer guide to use during your visit, sign the guest book, and take home resources to grow your devotion to the Sacred Heart.

Once the 12-parish pilgrimage is completed, simply mail the passport to the Diocese of Springfield-Cape Girardeau Office of Faith Formation, and you will receive a special gift, a certificate of completion and a letter from Bishop Rice.

More information may be found on the diocesan website or go to <u>https://</u><u>dioscg.org/sacred-heart-pilgrimage/</u>.

Participate in this fruitful (and fun!) pilgrimage across the beautiful diocese with your family, friends, classmates, or on your own!



Diocesan Youth Conference Youth from St. Vincent de Paul, Cape **Basic Info:**

- When: April 19-20, 2024
- Where: Pinecrest Camp in Fredricktown, MO
- Who: 7th 12th graders
- Deadline: Fri April 5th (as part of the StV group)
- Total Cost: \$95
- **financial assistance available for St.V & DioSCG parishioners**
- Questions & need more info:

Email Tiff @ stvcapeyouth@gmail.com

DYC: Into the deep is a conference with a retreat feel lead by young adults who are sharing their personal faith experience while teaching about living a life in Christ. Teens will participate in fun games, spiritual exercises, prayer, discussion, and more.



Brought to you by the Diocese of Springfield-Cape Girardeau

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 feel 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	
☐ 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 m	
I would like to learn more about the Catholic faith.	Please change my address to the one shown above.
I would like to register my child/children for Parish School of Religion.	☐ I would like to sign up for Faith Direct.

Sacristans Needed for Weekend Masses

Additional Sacristans are needed at all of the weekend Masses. What do Sacristans do? Sacristans arrive 20 minutes before Mass to set out the chalices and ciborium. This includes one main chalice and the two other chalices, one large ciborium with hosts, and three empty ciboria (bowls for Communion). They refill the water cruet, check on the hand towel with empty bowl for ritual washing of the priest's hands, and fill the wine cruet with wine. Sometimes they may have to turn on church lights and light Altar candles. Since there should always be two Sacristans at each Mass, one Sacristan will also help to check in the Lectors, Eucharistic Ministers, and Ushers/Greeters. After Mass, another 15 minutes are needed. At this time the Sacristans clean the chalices and ciboria for the next Mass. Finally, the Sacristans do a quick clean-up of the pews in the worship space of Church to make sure everything appears tidy. A training session will be held after each Mass — so please see which training session you can attend. This would be a good Lenten sacrifice in which to participate!



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Celebrating the Sacraments Celebrando los Sacramentos

Marriage: Please contact the parish office at least **six months** in advance. (If you have been married before, an annulment may need to be done first.)

Matrimonio: Por favor comuníquese con la oficina parroquial por lo menos con **seis meses** de antelación. (Si usted ha estado casado antes, una anulación del matrimonio puede necesitar ser hecha primero.)

Baptism: Your family needs to be registered in the parish for three months prior to the baptism. It is necessary to schedule baptismal preparation classes six weeks prior to your child's baptism. Taking the baptism class prior to birth is encouraged! Contact Deacon Mark at the parish office (573-335-7667).

Bautismo: Es un requisito ser inscritos en la parroquia por lo menos 3 meses antes de bautizar. También los padres tienen que celebrar la santa misa cada fin de semana. La clase de preparación para el bautismo para padres y padrinos es cada último lunes del mes. Favor de comunicarse con Padre Rick una semana antes al 573-335-7667.

Anointing of the Sick: If you are going to the hospital for a planned surgery, please call the parish office so this Sacrament can be celebrated with you.

Unción de los enfermos: Si usted va al hospital para una cirugía planificada, por favor llame a la oficina parroquial para que este Sacramento pueda ser celebrado con usted.

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• Upcoming Events •

5th Annual Catholic Men's Conference *featuring Justin Fatica*

Saturday, February 24, 2024 Springfield Catholic High School Springfield, Missouri For more information or to register, go to www.CatholicConference.men

Breakfast Buffet Style Sunday, February 25, 2024 7:30 a.m. - 12:00 noon St. Maurus Church Biehle, Missouri Meal includes pancakes, ham, sausage, scrambled eggs, fried potatoes, milk gravy, biscuits, and homemade coffee cake.

Adults \$10, Children \$5, Under age 6 free

Chicken & Dumpling Brown Bag Carry-Out Lunch Sunday, March 3, 2024 10:30 a.m. - 12:00 noon St. Lawrence Parish Center New Hamburg, Missouri

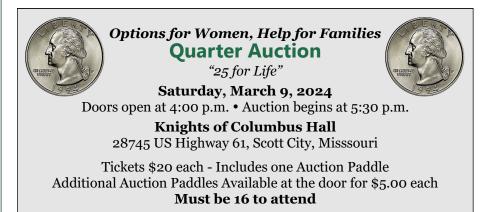
Meal includes homemade chicken and dumplings, green beans, cole slaw, roll and cookie. \$12 per meal Place order by February 18, 2024 by replying to St. Anne's Sodality Facebook page or email karaking43@hotmail.com

Jackson KC Ladies Auxiliary **Bunco Bash** Sunday, March 17, 2024 Doors open 12:30 p.m. Dice start rolling 1:00 p.m. **Knights of Columbus Hall** Upper Level 3305 N. High St. • Jackson, Missouri Entry fee \$10 No pre-registration required Snacks provided • Cash Bar available Raffles and 50/50 Drawing Proceeds will be used to fund scholarship program and other organizations including Options for Women, Birthright, Special Olympics, etc. For more information call 573-243-5464 or email Donna at jacksonkcaux@gmail.com

Notre Dame PAVA Trivia Night

Come for a fun night of trivia! Notre Dame Performing and Visual Arts will host Trivia Night on **Friday**, **February 23**, **at 7:00 p.m.** in King Hall. The cost is \$20 per person, or \$160 for a table of eight. Ticket purchase includes a trivia night seat, Heads or Tails, Buy-A-Student, Mulligans for each round, popcorn and soda.

Doors open at 6:00 p.m. Game play begins at 7:00 p.m. The event sponsored by First Missouri State Bank. All proceeds benefit Notre Dame Visual and Performing Arts! Register online at https://www.notre damehighschool.org/trivia/.



Homemade soup and other refreshments provided Also featuring 50/50 Raffle and Oral Auction of specialty goods

New This Year — Golden Paddle (\$50) allows one bid on every quarter auction item without having to bring your quarters!

Advance tickets only

Purchase online by scanning the QR code or visit <u>https://affirmlifecape.harnessgiving.org/events/1331</u>

Contact Options for Women to purchase tickets at at 573-339-2032 or call Leah Shrum at 573-275-0420



Remember to bring your rolls of quarters!

Old St. Vincent Church and Knights of Columbus #1111 St. Patrick Celebration 2024

Irish Entertainment • Corned Beef and Cabbage Dinner

Sunday, March 17, 2024 • 4:30 p.m. Knights of Columbus Hall • 318 S. Spanish Street, Cape Girardeau Schola Choir accompanied by Irish Quintet

\$35/person • Make checks payable to Knights of Columbus #1111 Reservation deadline March 10, 2024

Mail to:

Mrs. Carole Calvin, 1118 Hilldale Circle, Cape Girardeau, MO 63701-3518 Include name and phone number of each person attending For more information, contact Carolyn McCrate Hajduk at 573-200-0779 or Beth Mueller at 573-335-6285

This Week at Home

The Neighbor

In Matthew 22:36-39, Jesus tells the scholar about the two greatest commandments: loving God and loving neighbor. Today's passage from Matthew depicts how our actions show love for both God and neighbor. Inviting the sheep on his right to the kingdom, the Son of Man recounts that their feeding the hungry, clothing the naked, and welcoming the stranger also fed, clothed, and welcomed Christ. When a reminder is needed on how God expects us to treat our neighbor, return to this passage. *Today's readings: Leviticus 19:1-2, 11-18; Psalm 19:8-10, 15; Matthew 25:31-46.*

Patiently Waiting

Tuesday, February 20

Monday, February 19

Both the psalm and Gospel show us how to pray. Portraying the need for trust, the psalmist sings, "I sought the LORD and he answered me, / delivered me from all my fears." In the Gospel, Jesus tells his followers that they need to come to God with humility as they pray that his will be done. Instead of expecting instant gratification from prayer requests, keep in mind that God acts in his time, not ours. Be patient and trust; God will not leave you alone. *Today's readings: Isaiah 55:10-11; Psalm 34:4-7, 16-19; Matthew 6:7-15.*

Grateful Hearts

Wednesday, March 21

Jesus comments in today's Gospel on the generation's desire for a sign. How many times have you prayed and asked for a sign? Many of us want proof that God will come through for us. Remember that God knows what is best for each of us. During this Lent, seek to discern and appreciate what you have been given and thank God for what he has provided. *Today's readings: Jonah 3:1-10; Psalm 51:3-4, 12-13, 18-19; Luke 11:29-32.*

The Chair of St. Peter the Apostle Thursday, March 22

Upon Peter's assertion that Jesus is the Messiah, we hear Jesus tell Peter that he is the rock upon which the Church shall be built. As Christ's followers, we too must voice that Jesus is our Savior. Our faith can be the foundation upon which others' faith can grow. Pope Francis implores us to go out in mission so that through encounters with others, the Church will grow. Our faith is not a secret but a wonderful gift. This Lent, how will you contribute to strengthening the foundation of the Church? *Today's readings: 1 Peter 5:1-4; Psalm 23:1-3a, 4-6; Matthew 16:13-19.*

Continuing the Mission

Friday, March 23

On the optional Memorial of St. Polycarp, Bishop and Martyr, the Church recalls a second-generation Christian who was a disciple of the apostle John. Before St. Polycarp was burned at the stake, he put his trust in God. He was unafraid of what would happen to him. Pray to be able to trust that God is with you, no matter the trial you face. *Today's readings: Ezekiel 18:21-28; Psalm 130:1-2, 3-4, 5-7a, 7bc-8; Matthew 5:20-26*.

Learning to Love

Saturday, March 24

"If you love those who love you, what recompense will you have?" we hear in today's Gospel. To love without conditions can be difficult. Yet this is what Jesus asks from us. When we have been wronged, it is tempting to seek revenge. Yet, Jesus shows us a higher path. Instead of revenge, Jesus loves everyone and instructs us to forgive. What would it mean for you to love your enemy and to forgive someone who has hurt you? *Today's readings: Deuteronomy 26:16-19; Psalm 119:1-2, 4-5, 7-8; Matthew 5:43-48.*

Sunday, February 18

Abundant Mercy

Today's readings: Genesis 9:8-15; Psalm 25:4-5, 6-7, 8-9; 1 Peter 3:18 -22; Mark 1:12-15. "See, I am now establishing my covenant with you and your descendants after you and with every little creature." With these words, God shows his love as he promises anew to be in relationship with creation. In the reading from the First Letter of Peter, we hear that God saved the eight who were aboard the ark through the waters of the flood and now saves us through the waters of baptism. God, whose love brought us into being, seeks relationship and communion with us. То reconcile us with him, he sent his Son, who prepared for his mission by fasting for forty days in the desert.

During the forty days of Lent, many of us give in to temptation and find ourselves repenting time and again. Knowing that God is merciful and understands our shortcomings, we can always resolve to begin anew. God yearns for relationship with us and does not give up on us.

As one of your Lenten practices, you may have chosen to read the day's Scriptures attentively. Try to approach the readings with fresh eyes willing to allow the text to relate to your life today. Familiar texts can speak to us in the new circumstances, challenges, joys, and sorrows of our lives. All we need is an openness to the Word. God's Word is always relevant.

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