



St. Vincent de Paul Catholic Church



**Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord
March 29, 2026**

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

Holy Week Schedule

Monday, March 30

Christ Mass • 7:00 p.m.
Blessing of Oils and Priests'
Renewal of Commitment
St. Mary Cathedral

"Spy" Wednesday, April 1

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 2

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 3

Morning Prayer • 9:00 a.m.
Passion of the Lord • 12:00 p.m.
Passion of the Lord • 7:30 p.m.

Holy Saturday, April 4

Morning Prayer • 9:00 a.m.
Easter Vigil Mass • 7:30 p.m.

Easter Sunday, April 5

6:30 a.m. • 8:00 a.m. • 10:00 a.m.
3:00 p.m. (Bilingual)



Easter is rapidly approaching, and the OCIA Elect and Candidates are making final preparations to enter the Catholic Church. Their names and photos are on a poster in the gathering area. Please consider writing a note of congratulations to each and dropping it in the box by the poster prior to the Easter Vigil Mass. Also, as you see them at church, introduce yourself and welcome them into our parish community.

Deacon Mark Kiblinger
OCIA Coordinator

Elect (Unbaptized)



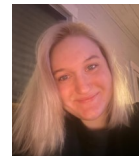
Nolan Ewers



Matthew Miller



Stephanie Pledger



Skylynn Vaughn



Trey Vaughn



Kevin Wieser

Candidates (Baptized)



Mattison Cline



Jessica Cracraft



McKenzie Klopp



Dalton Newell



Elizabeth Ray



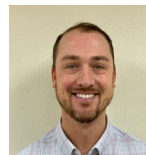
Luke Ray



Lauren Schick



Grant Ward



Andrew Williams



Confessions During Holy Week

This Wednesday, traditionally known as "Spy Wednesday," is the last day for confessions during the season of Lent. **Priests will be available on Wednesday from 12:00 - 8:00 p.m. on the hour.** "On the hour" means that the priest will be in the confessional at the "top of the hour" and stay as long as needed. If no one is present at the top of the hour, the priest will wait for ten minutes and then leave until 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.

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• **Mass Intentions** •

Monday, March 30 Monday of Holy Week
6:30 am Priests of St. Vincent de Paul Parish (living)
7:00 pm Chrism Mas (St. Mary Cathedral)

Tuesday, March 31 Tuesday of Holy Week
6:30 am Melvin Holzum ☩

Wednesday, April 1
Wednesday of Holy Week
6:30 am Margaret Jones ☩
5:15 pm Tracie Sander ☩

Thursday, April 2 Holy Thursday
9:00 am Morning Prayer
7:30 pm World Peace

Friday, April 3
Good Friday of the Passion of the Lord
9:00 am Morning Prayer
12:00 pm Passion of the Lord
7:30 pm Passion of the Lord

Saturday, April 4 Holy Saturday
9:00 am Morning Prayer
7:30 pm RCIA Candidates and Their Intentions

Sunday, April 5
Easter Sunday of the Resurrection of the Lord
6:30 am St. Vincent de Paul Parish Family
8:00 am Henry and Kathleen Himmelberg ☩
10:00 am Simon John Bisher ☩
3:00 pm Poor Souls in Purgatory ☩
(Bilingual)

• **Prayer Requests** •

Please remember **Jack McDonald, Barb McKeon**, the sick, the hospitalized, and those who care for them. Pray also for homebound St. Vincent parishioners.

“Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord!” shout the crowds in today’s Gospel. May we be always ready to share our blessings when we are sent in His name!

Chrism Mass

Cathedral of St. Mary of the Annunciation

The Mass of Chrism is celebrated on Monday evening, March 30, 2026, 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.

Lenten Confessions

Prepare for Easter by making a Good Confession this week.

Here’s how to go to Confession!
You say at the beginning of the Confession:
Bless me, Father, for I have sinned.
It has been _____ days/weeks/months/years since my last confession, and these are my sins.

Here is a brief Examination of Conscience to help you identify sins.

- Did I doubt or deny that God exists?
- Did I love God with my whole heart?
- Did I give time to God each day in prayer?
- Did I curse, or break an oath or vow?
- Did I lie?
- Did I commit perjury?
- Did I waste time at work, school, or at home?
- Did I deliberately deceive others, or injure others by lies?
- Did I gossip or reveal others’ faults or sins?
- Did I show reverence to Jesus in the Most Blessed Sacrament?
- Did I miss Mass Sunday or a Holy Day of Obligation through my own fault?
- Did I neglect my duties to my husband, wife, children or parents?
- Did I neglect to give good religious example to my family?
- Did I get angry, impatient, envious, unkind toward another person?
- Did I show pride, vengeance, jealousy, or hate toward another?
- Did I give a bad example by drug abuse, drinking alcohol to excess?
- Did I steal, cheat, or encourage others to steal or keep stolen goods?
- Have I made restitution for stolen goods?

Listen to the priest and the counsel that he gives you and the penance he instructs you to do. He will then ask you to recite the Act of Contrition, which can be found below. The priest will then absolve you of your sins and you may go and do the penance that the priest gave you.

The Act of Contrition: My God, I am sorry for my sins with all my heart. In choosing to do wrong and failing to do good, I have sinned against you whom I should love above all things. I firmly intend with your help, to do penance, to sin no more, and to avoid whatever leads me to sin. Our Savior Jesus Christ suffered and died for us. In his name, my God, have mercy. Amen.

Spy Wednesday

Holy Week’s “Spy Wednesday” gets its name because this is the day on which Judas betrayed Jesus to Jewish leaders. Because Judas is thought to be sneaky, his actions conjured up the image of a spy. See Matthew 25:12-14, Mark 14:10-12, and Luke 22:3-6.



? GUESS WHO ?

Question: This deacon, who will celebrate his birthday on April 2, is the proud grandfather of two little girls! Can you guess who he is?

Answer: Deacon Rob Huff!!!

*Happy Birthday,
Deacon Grandpa Rob!*

Holy Thursday Collection

A collection, benefiting the Christian Service ministry, will be taken up at Mass on Holy Thursday. Thank you for your generosity.

May She Rest in Peace

Sympathy is extended to the family of **Nora Manalang**, mother of Lyn Mueller.

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



• The Week Ahead •

Monday, March 30

7:00 pm Chrism Mass (St. Mary Cathedral)

Tuesday, March 31

2:00 pm Finance Council
3:00 pm Divine Mercy Chaplet
6:00 pm Tuesday Evening Bible Study
6:00 pm OCIA

Wednesday, April 1

8:00 am Ugly Quilts
9:00 am Wednesday Morning Bible Study
10:00 am Mass at Chateau Girardeau
12:00 pm Reconciliation ("on the hour" until 8:00 pm)
3:00 pm Divine Mercy Holy Hour
5:30 pm OCIA

Thursday, April 2

9:00 am Maxine's Shareable Wearables (9:00 - 11:00 a.m.)
9:00 am Morning Prayer
7:30 pm Mass of the Lord's Supper
Adoration following until midnight

Friday, April 3

9:00 am Morning Prayer
12:00 pm Passion of the Lord
7:30 pm Passion of the Lord

Saturday, April 4

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

Sunday, April 5

6:30 am Easter Mass
8:00 am Easter Mass
9:15 am Easter Egg Hunt
10:00 am Easter Mass
3:00 pm Easter Mass (bilingual)

► **First Friday Adoration for April has been moved to Friday, April 10.**

► **April's Take Back Sunday will be held on Sunday, April 12.**

April 2, 2026

7:10 PM - Midnight

Holy Thursday

Pilgrimage to Seven Churches

**A time for Adoration and prayer:
Reflect on the "seven stations" between
the Last Supper and Jesus' Crucifixion.**

Join St. Vincent Young Apostles or journey as a family.
Begin with the Mass of the Lord's Supper at St. Vincent and
afterward travel to 7 churches together, with adoration and prayer.

Pancake breakfast at the Kelso KC Hall will be provided at 11 pm. (donations accepted)

Please RSVP, by Sunday March 29, for a pancake count
by scanning the QR code, or directly to Tiff Brey.

The adult leaders will have a list of churches & the prayers.

Please RSVP ASAP so your leader can arrange transportation.

Parents are encouraged to journey with us on this pilgrimage as well.

Teens younger than 8th grade are required to have a parent/guardian attend with them.

Teens are not allowed to drive.



**Everyone is welcome!
Share with your friends.**

If you have any questions,
reach out to Tiff @ stvcapeyouth@gmail.com



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 filled with specific food items and **Beatitude Bags** are filled with specific paper products. **Please return your donated items to the designated boxes in the gathering area no later than Friday, April 3.**

Extending the Mission

• Building on the Cornerstone of Christ •

Total amount pledged **\$8,362,913**
Number of families who have contributed **629**
Number of registered families in parish **1,622**
Percentage of registered families who have pledged **39%**
Total amount of funds collected/deposited in bank **\$5,181,918**

Thank you for your generosity. If you have not contributed, please prayerfully consider how you might participate in extending the mission through a sacrificial pledge. Scan the QR code to confirm your pledge. For assistance, call the parish office at 573-335-7667.



Readings - April 5, 2026

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

Collection - March 22, 2026

Collection	\$ 15,245.25
E-Tithing	\$ 20,160.00
Total	\$ 35,405.25
Weekly Budget	\$ 35,100.00
Difference (7-1-25 to 3-22-26)	\$ 82,641.59

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

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Pontifical Good Friday Collection

Pope Leo has asked all parishes to support the Pontifical Good Friday Collection, which helps Christians in the Holy Land, where they are now less than 2% of the population. Your support is essential to help the Church minister in parishes, provide Catholic schools, and offer religious education. The Pontifical Good Friday Collection also helps to preserve the sacred shrines of Christianity, including in Jerusalem, Nazareth, and Bethlehem, to name only a few.

The pandemic had hit Christians in the Holy Land particularly hard. Most of them depend on pilgrimages for work. The war and now the Iranian conflict have made their situation even more dire. In these times of crisis, the Pontifical Good Friday Collection is necessary to meet the basic needs of the People of God still living in this Land and to maintain a Christian presence where the Church was born.

When you contribute to the Pontifical Good Friday Collection, you join with Catholics around the world in solidarity with the Church in the Holy Land. Please be generous!

For more information about Christians in the Holy Land, visit www.myfranciscan.org or www.custodia.org.

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.

Lenten Rice Bowl

Catholic Relief Services (CRS) would like to thank everyone who contributed to its annual Rice Bowl Lenten program. When Catholics take part in CRS Rice Bowl, they are reaching across physical distances and bringing themselves closer to their global family. At the same time, they are also bringing themselves closer to God. Thank you for your generosity. **If you have not done so already, please return your Rice Bowl to the basket near the back pew in church.**

Taizé Prayer Service

Taizé, a meditative prayer service, will be held **Tuesday, April 7, at 7:00 p.m.** in the Church. Enjoy an evening of simple chants, a variety of musical instruments, prayer, candlelight, scripture, silence, and peace ... everything your heart needs during this Easter season. All are welcome!



Parish Easter Egg Hunt

To celebrate the season of Easter, an Egg Hunt will be held for parish children on **Easter Sunday, April 5**, between the 8:00 and 10:00 a.m. Masses (approximately 9:15 a.m.). The hunt will take place on the fields behind Church.



Council of Catholic Women

The St. Vincent de Paul Council of Catholic Women will meet on **Monday, April 6, 2026, at 6:00 p.m.** in the lower meeting room. There will be a special guest speaker! All women of the parish are invited! For more information, contact Judy McGuire at 812-236-1755 or Kathy Berkbigler at 573-587-5970.

PRAYERS FOR PRIESTS

Please pray for a designated priest each day listed on the calendar prepared and distributed by Guardian Angel PCCW.

Eternal Father, we lift up to you these and all priests of the world. Sanctify them. Heal them. Guide them. Mold them into the likeness and holiness of Your Son, Jesus, the Eternal High Priest. May their lives be pleasing to You. In Jesus' name we pray. Amen.

Let Us Pray For:

The Holy Father

Fill him with your grace, Lord

Cardinals, Archbishops, and Bishops

Give them your gifts, Lord

Diocesan Priests

Never leave them, Lord

Priests in Seminary work

Give them your wisdom, Lord

Priests in hospital work

Give them constancy, Lord

Priest who are ill

Heal them, Lord

Priests in danger

Deliver them, Lord

Priests who are weak

Strengthen them, Lord

Priests who are poor

Relieve them, Lord

Priests who are zealous

Help them, Lord

Priests who want to love you

Enkindle their hearts, Lord

Priests who are sad

Console them, Lord

For all Priests:

Give them Your wisdom, Lord

Give them patience and charity

Give them a burning zeal for souls

Give them a great love for Mary

Give them the gift of counsel

Give them peace in their sufferings

Give them an intense love for the Eucharist

Give them loyalty to the Holy See and their Bishops

Let them be the light of souls

Let them be other Christs

Priests who are worried

Give them peace, Lord

Priests who are old

Sustain them, Lord

Priests who are young

Impel them for your glory, Lord

Priests who are alone

Accompany them, Lord

Missionary Priests

Protect them, Lord

Priests who are preachers

Enlighten them, Lord

Priests who direct souls

Instruct them, Lord

Parish Priests

Give them prudence, Lord

Religious Priests

Make them perfect, Lord

Priests most in need

Carry them, Lord

Priests who have died

Bring them glory, Lord

On all the Church, militant

and suffering

Lord, Have mercy

Give them virtue

Give them obedience and kindness

Give them respect for their dignity

Give them rectitude and justice

Give them strength in their labors

Let them be the salt of the earth

Let them be holy in body and soul

Let them be the light of souls

Let them practice sacrifice and self-denial

Let them enkindle hearts with the love of Mary

May they be men of prayer

May faith shine forth in them

May they be concerned only for the salvation of souls

May they be faithful to their priestly vocation

May their hands know only how to bless

May they burn with love for You and for Mary

May all their steps be for the glory of God

May the Holy Spirit possess them and give them his Gifts in abundance

O Jesus, Eternal High Priest, live in (name of priest), act in him, speak in and through him. Think your thoughts in his mind, love through his heart. Give him your own dispositions and feelings. Teach, lead, and guide him always. Correct, enlighten, and expand his thoughts and behavior. Possess his soul, take over his entire personality and life. Replace him with Yourself. Incline him to constant adoration and thanksgiving; pray in him and through him. Let him live in You and keep him in this intimate union always. Amen.

O Mary, Immaculate Conception, Mother of Jesus and Mother of priests, pray and intercede for (name of priest). Amen.

Let us Pray

O God Father, Son and Holy Spirit, you are the soul and life of the Church. Hear the prayers we offer for priests. We ask this through the Immaculate Heart of Mary, their protector and guide. Amen.

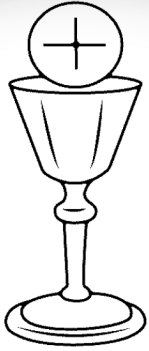
Daily Catholic Prayer for Priests

O Jesus, I pray for Your faithful and fervent priests; for Your unfaithful and tepid priests; for Your priests laboring at home or abroad in distant mission fields; for Your tempted priests; for Your lonely and desolate priests; for Your young priests; for Your dying priests; for the souls of Your priests in Purgatory. But above all, I recommend to You the priests dearest to me: the priest who baptized me; the priests who absolved me from my sins; the priests at whose Masses I assisted and who gave me Your Body and Blood in Holy Communion; the priests who taught and instructed me; all the priests to whom I am indebted in any other way. O Jesus, keep them all close to Your heart, and bless them abundantly in time and in eternity. Amen.

Prayer for Deacons

Lord Jesus Christ, servant of all, send your spirit upon our deacons as they serve your church. Give them eyes to see the needs of your people. Give them a discerning mind to know your truth. Give them a generous spirit when they are tired but needed. Give them a humble heart when their work goes unnoticed. Give them peace of mind in obedience and service. Give them health of body so they may serve with strength. Make them fertile ground for your inspiration and love. Comfort them when they question themselves and their ministry. Grant them grace as they age so they may share your wisdom. Make their heart like yours so they may love your people. Amen

Miracles



Outstanding Exhibit
of Eucharistic Miracles
coming to Saint Vincent Parish

April 10, 11, 12

St. Vincent Parish Center
1919 Ritter Drive



*Discover the incredible stories of more than
100 Eucharistic Miracles from 20 countries,
documented by Saint Carlo Acutis,
the first millennial saint.*

EXHIBIT DATES & HOURS

Friday, April 10 | 4:00 pm – 6:00 pm

Saturday, April 11 | 2:00 pm – 7:00 pm

Sunday, April 12 | 9:00 am – 1:00 pm & 4:00 – 5:30 pm

*Please see the bulletin board in the Church's gathering area for
upcoming events including meals and fundraisers.*

Job Opportunities

St. Vincent de Paul Catholic Parish, Cape Girardeau, is seeking a dedicated and detail-oriented **Accounting Clerk/Administrative Assistant** to join the parish staff. This full-time position plays an essential role in ensuring the smooth operation of the parish's financial and administrative functions. The ideal candidate will have a background in accounting/bookkeeping and will demonstrate a commitment to the Catholic faith by being an active, practicing member of the Catholic Church. This hourly position begins immediately. Benefits include health insurance, retirement plans, life insurance, paid sick leave, and vacation. For more info and to obtain an application and job description, please contact Cheryl Oberhaus at St. Vincent de Paul Parish, 1913 Ritter Drive, Cape Girardeau, Missouri 63701, email coberhaus@svparish.com, phone 573-335-7667.

St. Vincent de Paul School is accepting applications for the following positions for the 2026-2027 school year.

- **Junior High Math**
- **Music** (part time)

Preference may be given to practicing Catholics. To obtain an application, please call the school office at 573-334-9594 or email Kay Glastetter at kglastetter@svcape.eduk12.net.

Notre Dame Regional High School is accepting applications for the following positions.

- **Director of Enrollment**
- **Physics Teacher**
- **Math Teacher**
- **Athletics Administrative Assistant**

Apply by April 6 at www.notredamehighschool.org/employment.

Immaculate Conception School, Jackson, is accepting applications for the following positions.

- **First Grade**
- **Grades 6-8 ELA**
- **Summer Care Director**
- **Summer Care Workers**
- **After School Care Workers**

Please contact Michele Campbell at 573-243-5013 or email mcampbell@icsjackson.eduk12.net.

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📅 April 10-11, 2026
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Experience the Joy of Walking in the Footsteps of St. Francis

T As we celebrate this **Year of St. Francis of Assisi**, it is a beautiful time to learn more about the Franciscan way of life.

Are you seeking to grow closer to God and live your faith in a meaningful way? Consider the **Secular Franciscan Order (OFS)**, a fraternity of men and women who follow in the footsteps of St. Francis of Assisi.

As Secular Franciscans, we are called to live the Gospel in our everyday lives through prayer, simplicity, and service to others. We strive to be witnesses of God's love and peace, bringing the spirit of St. Francis into the world around us.

Come and Learn More! We invite anyone interested in exploring a deeper spiritual journey to join us at one of our monthly meetings. The **St. Padre Pio Emerging Fraternity** meets on the **4th Sunday of each month at 1:00 p.m.** in the **St. Agatha Room at St. Francis Medical Center.**

For questions or more information, contact **Julie Schuchardt, OFS**, at **573-450-7727**, **Shawn Asmus, OFS**, at **573-204-7688** or visit secularfranciscansusa.org.



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Apostolate**

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First Saturday of every month

8:30 - 11:30 am
Arrive @ 8:00 for assignments and instructions.)

Catholic Social Ministries Food Pantry
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(by St. Mary Cathedral)

Interested in serving?
Parish office 573-335-7667
contactus@svparish.com

St. Vincent de Paul Parish, Cape Girardeau, MO



Copies of *Living Faith* and *Living Faith Kids* for April, May, and June are available at all church entrances.

▶ Sign Up for FORMED

1. Go to FORMED org/signup and
2. Enter your parish zip code (63701) or name to select your parish (St. Vincent de Paul).
3. Enter your name and email.



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Visit the official Diocesan Eucharistic Congress webpage to access the registration portal at <https://dioscg.org/diocesan-eucharistic-congress/> or by scanning the QR code. Spaces are limited.

St. Vincent de Paul Parish will have a bus available for parishioners to travel to West Plains. If you would like to ride the bus, please sign up by calling the parish office at 573-335-7667.

Living Our Parish Anchors: Guided by Faith, Service, and Community

At St. Vincent de Paul Parish, we are blessed with a faith community built on love, service, and shared purpose.

Our Mission:

Inspired by St. Vincent de Paul, our mission is to be the Body of Christ in Cape Girardeau — growing in faith and fidelity, serving others with humility and compassion, and strengthening families as living witnesses of Christ's love.

Together, we are called to live out this mission by being living witnesses of Christ's presence in our homes, our parish, and our community, striving to live as St. Vincent de Paul did: with humility, compassion, and a heart devoted to serving Christ through serving others.



Why do we exist?

We exist to be the Body of Christ in Cape Girardeau as living witnesses of His presence in our homes, our parish, and our community.

How do we behave?

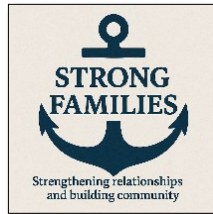
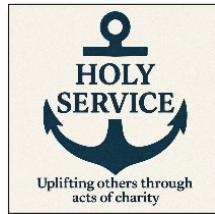
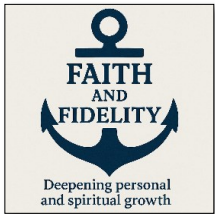
We strive to act with humility, commitment to our mission, and a caring presence in all that we do. Inspired by the example of St. Vincent de Paul, these values shape how we pray, serve, and interact with one another and with every person we encounter.

What do we do?

We **Love Jesus, Serve Jesus, and Share Jesus** — in our homes, our parish, and our community. Every ministry, event, and act of service flows from this call.

How will we succeed?

By living out our parish anchors:



When we keep Christ at the center, we become a parish that is united, joyful, and alive in the Spirit.



Walking With You in This Mission

Supporting and walking alongside our parish family is our Parish Leadership Team. Their role is to prayerfully help guide our community in living out this mission, foster unity, and encourage each of us to grow as disciples of Jesus Christ.

Parish Leadership Team

Father Rick Jones • Deacon Tom Schumer • Tiffany Brey
Julie Schuchardt • Brad Burdick • Mallory Dohogne

We invite every parishioner to embrace this mission -- to live humbly, serve joyfully, and reflect Christ's love in every corner of our parish. Be on the lookout for opportunities to participate in parish ministries and events; all are welcome. At times, you will see one of our parish anchors connected to a ministry or activity, highlighting a special way to live out that call through faith, service, or community.



Together, let us live as St. Vincent de Paul did by loving Jesus, serving others, and sharing Christ's light in our homes, our parish, and our community.

Attention Married Couples

All married couples and religious who previously took part in a Worldwide Marriage Encounter weekend are invited to a community meeting on the second Sunday of each month from 2:00 - 4:00 p.m. at the KC Hall, 316 S. Spanish Street, Cape Girardeau. If planning to attend, RSVP to Alicia Schumer at 573-225-8776.

Renew your Sacrament, deepen your communication, strengthen your relationship, and rekindle your romance by attending a Worldwide Marriage Encounter Experience this year! 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 Encounters include

- June 12 - 14, 2026
St. Peters, Missouri
- July 31 - August 2, 2026
Cape Girardeau, Missouri ◀◀◀
- October 9 - 11, 2026
Springfield, Illinois



Congratulations to ...

the following parishioners as they celebrate their wedding anniversaries.

Leroy and Corena Berkbigler
38 years

Michael and Julie Metzger
45 years

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

“Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.”

MATTHEW 21:9

As we enter Holy Week, we honor Christ's sacrifice. Ordained life, consecrated life, and holy matrimony mirror this self-giving love, offering one's life for others. Could God be calling you to serve? Talk to Father Rick or reach out to the Diocesan Vocations office at 417-866-0841.

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