



Dear Parishioners,

This Lent, I am using Pope Francis Lenten message, and took three points from it. Here they are:

- -When our God reveals himself, his message is always one of freedom: "I am the Lord your God, who brought you out of the land of Egypt, out of the house of slavery" (Ex 20:2).
- -The call to freedom is a demanding one. It is not answered straightaway; it has to mature as part of a journey. Just as Israel in the desert still clung to Egypt often longing for the past and grumbling against the Lord and Moses today too, God's people can cling to an oppressive bondage that it is called to leave behind.
- -The exodus from slavery to freedom is no abstract journey. If our celebration of Lent is to be concrete, the first step is to desire to open our eyes to reality. When the Lord calls out to Moses from the burning bush, he immediately shows that he is a God who sees and, above all, hears.

As we draw closer to Holy Week, I invite you to the sacrament of Confession and Reconciliation. We have Confessions before all the daily Masses, and on Saturday afternoons at 4pm. In addition, on Thursday, March 14th, we will have our Parish Penance Service with five priests to hear confessions.

May your Lenten journey through the desert bring you freedom!

#### Father Kenneth S. VanHaverbeke

PASTOR



### **Mass Intentions**

Monday - March 11 - No Mass Isaiah 65:17-21 / John 4:43-54

**Tuesday - March 12- 8:10 a.m.** *Ezekiel 47:1-9, 12 / John 5:1-16*Jenny Stevens Gaddis by Jack and Alice Stevens

Wednesday - March 13 - 5:30 p.m.

Isaiah 49:8-15 / John 5:17-30

Patty & ⊕Bob Haderlein and ⊕Rob Self by Trisha Self

**Thursday - March 14 - noon** *Exodus 32:7-14 / John 5:31-47* **⊕**Ron Holzman by Roberta Cox

Friday - March 15 - 8:10 a.m. Wisdom 2:1a, 12-22 / John 7:1-2, 10, 25-30 Deceased members of Clouse family by Kay Wegerer

Saturday - March 16 Jeremiah 11:18-20 / John 7:40-53
9 a.m. - ⊕Gene Miller by a friend
see Sunday readings
5 p.m. ⊕Michael Hagan by Old Father Family

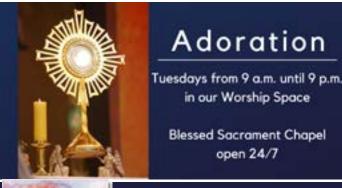
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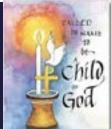
Ezekiel 37:12-14 / Romans 8:8-11 / John 11:1-45

9 a.m. People of the parish

11 a.m. ⊕Julia Scott by the Wagle Family







We are excited to welcome new members at St. Vincent de Paul parish through Baptism!

Please call Kathleen in our parish office at 316-733-1423.

### **Confessions in Daily Mass Chapel**



Confessions are heard 1/2 hour prior to all daily Masses, also from 4-4:50 p.m. Saturday afternoons.





Parish Lenten Reconiliation Services Thursday, March 14 7 - 9 p.m.



# Stations and Soup Returns!

Join parishioners as we pray the Stations of the Cross at noon and

6 p.m. this Friday, March 13. Soup will be served after the 6 p.m. Stations in the Ville!

# Budget Weekly Needs: \$34,500 Week ending 3/4/24

Regular Tithe	\$16,227.50
Annual Fund Drive	\$875.00
Children's Collection	\$33.00
Hospirality Income	\$134.75
Online/Electronic giving	\$70.00
Designated Donations	120.00
St. Vincent de Paul Society	\$230.00
St. Augustine Indian Mission	\$70.00



As disciples of Jesus Christ, our parish, St. Vincent de Paul, is united not only to one another but to the other ninety parishes in our Diocese. As the director of stewardship for the Diocese, I was privileged to witness parishes helping parishes, similarly to how the disciples were not sent out one by one but two by two (Lk 10:1).

As we begin to participate this April in the diocesan effort called *One Family, Fully Alive in Christ!* I see it as an opportunity to continue our parish priorities and join other parishes in the task of evangelization. We will do this through:

- Strengthening our Catholic schools by enhancing schoolteacher salaries.
- Purchasing and renovating a Catholic family and youth camp.
- Restoring the domes and windows in our beautiful Cathedral.
- Increasing funding to support outreach to the poor and vulnerable in our communities.
- Supporting the individual needs of our parishes.

I ask that you prayerfully consider joining me in this opportunity to bring Christ to our youth and the poor and be good stewards of what was begun in the past.

Father Ken VanHaverbeke



Harry Hynes Grief Support will meet Tuesday, March 12, in the Brides Room at 10:00am. No matter how long it has been since the death of your loved one,

you are always **WELCOME.**It is important that we never stand alone. If you are doubting, welcome.

If you are healing, welcome. And if you are afraid, welcome. It is a place of Warmth, Love and Friendship as we share our memories of love with one another. Feel free to invite anyone who may benefit. No preregistration is needed. Morning refreshment will be served.

Thank you, The Bereavement Ministry

# PARISH MISSION 2024

April 14th-16th

St. Vincent de Paul Catholic Church

#### **Parish Mission**

We are excited to invite all parishioners to our parish mission April 14th-16th! Fr. Jim Sichko's 60 Minutes 4 Jesus talk will begin at 7:00 p.m. in the Worship Space, followed by some refreshments in the social space. By reservation, we will have childcare for our littlest parishioners, ages 18 months-3 years.

Do you need a ride to our parish mission because you don't drive at night? Let us know, and we will help you find a ride with a fellow parishioner in your area. Do you have a friend or family member you want us to invite to our parish mission? Send us their name and address, and we will contact them.

To reserve childcare, request a ride, or like us to send an invite to our parish mission, email: susan@svdpks.org



On Thursday, March 14, Harvest House for Catholic Adults 50+ will be celebrating St. Paddy by "having good craic." Craic is the Gaelic word for fun. The Irish celebration will start at 12 noon mass, followed by a beer-tasting get-together, then a Mulligan (Irish) Stew for \$5.00 each, cooked by Louie,

and entertainment provided by a humorous jokester, Michael Hoobler, all in the Social Space. Please bring toiletry items for St. Vincent de Paul Society charity. There will be a 50/50 raffle, in addition to a lottery for a "Spring" centerpiece for our local charity. Each participant in the beer tasting is requested to bring a minimum of two beers (preferably Irish beer) for all to enjoy. "Erin go Bragh!"

## **Smoked Hams**

March 30th

Easter Saturday



Knights of Columbus Smoked Ham Fundraiser to benefit
"Andover Food Bank" and "Religious Vocation Students"

These are available on a first come first served basis
and will be provided in an oven roasting bag

for reheating at home.

We accept Card payments, checks or Cash.

Please call 316-990-0654 (Bryan Sanger)

Have a Blessed Easter Celebration

Jesus Christ is Alive and with Us!



# SARAH'S HOPE ANNUAL DINNER & AUCTION April 6 at 6 p.m. | St. Jude Hall 2020 N. Amiden, Wichita

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Guest Speaker: Tim Huelskamp Dinner by Texas Roadhouse

Sarah's Hope helps to fashion and buy advertising slots on TV (and now on YOUTUBE) to inform women in crisis who are pregnant a message of hope and abortion-alternative options. The annual auction raises much of the funding for this venture.

\$30 per person RSVP by April 1: 316-209-5029

> Sarah's Hope Foundation 2707 W. Douglas Ave, Ste. F Wichita, KS 67213-2606

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