February 25th, 2018

Second Sunday of Lent
“The sacrifice of Abraham, our father in faith”
— Genesis 22:1-2, 9a, 10-13, 15-18

Rev. Jeremy Dixon, C.M., Pastor

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Mass Schedule

Weekends:
Saturday at 5:00 p.m.
Sunday at 8:00 a.m., 10:00 a.m., 5:00 p.m.
September through May: 8:30 p.m.

Weekdays:
Monday through Friday at 8:00 a.m.

Miraculous Medal Novena
Monday mornings after the 8:00 a.m.
Mass
Many times in our life, we may feel out of place. In our families, in our communities, in our Church, we may feel that we don’t quite belong. We focus on our differences, we focus on our failings, we compare ourselves to others and say to ourselves, “I don’t really belong here.”

Yet God never gives up on us. God constantly offers us his life and his love, the promises of the covenant. If we reflect, each of us has had moments of grace in life. Moments where God’s presence have been so strong that we cannot deny it. Moments where we felt great peace and knew that we belonged, that God was with us and loved us.

The same thing happened in the Gospel today. Peter, James and John had a moment of grace, a moment when God’s presence changed them. Jesus is transfigured, is changed, before their eyes. The disciples catch a fleeting glimpse of his glory, of what will be when Jesus completes his mission. They hear the voice of God coming from the clouds, telling them simply to listen. And just as quickly as it had started, the vision was over. Jesus touched them and they continued on their way -- on the way to Jerusalem and the cross.

We often hear that this moment of grace was meant to strengthen the disciples for what was to come: the suffering and death of Jesus, to give them confidence in what Jesus had told them so they could persevere. And that is true. But there is also another message here that can also strengthen us on our Lenten faith journeys.

Our baptism transforms us, transfigures us into God's beloved. The voice from the clouds that speaks to Jesus, and strengthens him and the disciples, speaks to each one of us, and strengthens us as well: “You are my beloved son or daughter.” If we truly believe this, our lives can be transfigured and transformed. This is the conversion we talk about during Lent. Conversion is not just a turning away from sin, but it is a turning towards God, embracing our status as God’s beloved children, committing ourselves to live out the covenant of love. Because if we can believe and trust in God’s promises of unconditional love for each one of us, we can draw closer to God out of love, not fear. We seek to serve our brothers and sisters in need. We see that all of us belong and there is no place for exclusion in our Church, and we work to make that a reality. We seek to give thanks and praise to God for his many gifts.

This Lent, let us seek to claim our baptismal dignity as God's beloved children. Let us live our lives in ways that testify that we are loved and welcomed by God, and welcome others as well. Let us accept this transformation of our lives to follow and believe in God’s promises given to us in Christ Jesus. Let us dare to believe. Let us dare to hope. Let us dare to be transfigured.

I also invite you to our parish meeting on Thursday March 1 at 7pm to discuss Renew My Church. This 90-minute meeting will lay out the process we have begun, provide an opportunity to discuss the strengths and challenges of our parish grouping and answer questions you may have. Please try to come to this important meeting about the future of our parish and grouping.
Renew My Church: Parish “Town Hall”

**WHEN:** Thursday, March 1 at 7pm  
**WHERE:** St. Vincent de Paul Church

St. Vincent de Paul Parish will host this meeting in a town hall format to share progress, engage dialogue, and answer questions about the Chicago Archdiocesan initiative Renew My Church.  
**Read more:** stvdep.org/calendar-item/rmc-town-hall/

Fish Fry: to Benefit Operation Rice Bowl

Tickets for our 4th Annual Fish Fry are $10, and all proceeds benefit Catholic Relief Services' Operation Rice Bowl. **STUDENT PROMOTION:** If you are a student, you eat free! Each user of a free ticket must be able to present a valid DePaul Student ID. Tickets are required for free entry.

**When:**  
Friday, March 9, 2018 from 5:30 PM to 7:00 PM

**Where:**  
St. Vincent de Paul Parish Center  
1010 West Webster Avenue  
Chicago, IL 60614

**Contact:**  
Robert Beatty  
Saint Vincent de Paul Church  
772-325-8610  
rbeatty1@depaul.edu

Learn more and buy tickets: stvdep.org/calendar-item/fish-fry-2018/
Lenten Regulations
(from February 14th, 2018, Ash Wednesday, to the Paschal Triduum)

Abstinence from meat is to be observed by all Catholics 14 years old and older on Ash Wednesday and on all the Fridays of Lent. Fasting is to be observed on Ash Wednesday by all Catholics who are 18 years of age but not yet 59. Those who are bound by this may take only one full meal. Two smaller meals are permitted if necessary to maintain strength according to one’s needs, but eating solid foods between meals is not permitted. The special Paschal fast, as well as abstinence, are prescribed for Good Friday and encouraged for Holy Saturday.
Join TnT for Lenten Solidarity Suppers

Young adults are invited to join TnT for Lenten Solidarity Suppers. Each week, we will prepare a warm meal for the soup kitchen and, afterwards, share dinner and reflection from the CRS Rice Bowl recipes. Join us Thursday evenings during Lent from 6:00-7:30 in the soup kitchen starting February 15. Please contact stvincentdepaultnt@gmail.com for more.

RCIA

The Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA) dates back to the earliest centuries of the Church. For the first 300 years of Christianity adults received the sacraments of initiation (baptism, confirmation and communion) at the Easter Vigil. During this past year a wonderful group of adults at St. Vincent de Paul have been preparing all year to become Catholics at the Easter Vigil.

This week please pray for:

**Tylar B., Carlos L. & Lorin M.**

**Prayer for Candidates & Catechumens**

Loving and life giving God, bless those who have been journeying into the fullness of faith in the Catholic Church. Strengthen and encourage them during this Lenten season that they may grow closer to you in faith and wisdom. Reveal to them the saving love of Your Son Jesus. Empower them with the gifts of Your Holy Spirit and be with them as they receive the sacraments of initiation at the Great Easter Vigil.
SETON SOUP KITCHEN

Vincentian Mission Sunday

The Seton Sandwich Window began in 1980 from the front of the parish center. Since then, the generosity of many people has allowed us to expand the menu and serve guests six days per week. Now we serve over 31,000 meals per year.

The second weekend of every Month will be Vincentian Mission Sunday. We ask that you bring donations to church with you. You can give it to an usher, put it on the altar, or take your donation to the parish office.

This month we are asking for donations of canned vegetables.

Thank you for your continued support of our Vincentian mission to serve our sisters and brothers in need.

Vincentian Women

St. Vincent de Paul Parish

Encouraging women to build friendship and community in our parish through faith and service.

Upcoming Events

- Meeting this Tuesday, February 27, 7:00 pm in the Parish Center.

Thank you to the following Vincentian Women who volunteered to lead the Stations of the Cross on Friday, February 16: Joan Buchanan, Mary Carter, Keley Kucik, Leslie Linke, Linda Vaeth. If you would like to be added to our email list, please contact Jenny (jennyemohan@gmail.com). Meeting attendance is not a requirement. We will send out our meeting minutes and event announcements to everyone on our list. Meetings are held on the last Tuesday of the month at 6:00 pm in the Parish Center.
Giving

stvdep.org/donate

Weekly Intentions

Please Pray for Our Sick
Let us remember all those here at St. Vincent’s who are ill and in need of God’s healing and comfort. Let us keep them in our prayers and thoughts, especially: Ron Bennett, Gabriel Cabael, Juliette Calabrese, Linda Cameron, Almeda Colby, Bob & Pat Dillon, Virginia Dillon, John Garrity, Mary Grecoina, Leticia Gross, Mary Hayes, Patty Hayes, Anita Italiane Hearl, Madelynn Jacobs, Laura Linke, Sue Michalak, David Neesan, Terri Proietto, James Schwake, Joyce Walsh

Please contact Ginny in the parish center to inform us of those who are ill and in need of God's healing and comfort. They will be listed in our bulletin for 3 weeks. Renewal of prayers for the sick is available by contacting Ginny at that time. If you would like Fr. Jeremy to visit the person (if they live in the area), please let Ginny know when you add them to the list.

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Did you know that you can request a mass to be offered on behalf of your loved ones? Sometimes people will have a mass intention reserved on the anniversary of a death or to support someone during a difficult time. Other times mass is offered in thanksgiving on a birthday or other celebration. If you would like to reserve a mass intention, please contact the parish office at 773-325-8610 or simply stop by.
Week at a Glance

**Sunday, February 25th**
Presiders: Vigil Mass - Fr. Dixon; 8:00 a.m. Mass - Fr. Dixon; 10:00 a.m. Mass - Fr. McDevitt; 5:00 p.m. Mass - Fr. Udovic; 8:30 p.m. Campus Ministry Student Mass - Fr. Halstead

Al-Anon Meeting .................. 4:00 p.m.- 5:00 p.m. - St. Vincent Room

**Monday, February 26th**
SPRED ........................................ 6:00 p.m.- 8:00 p.m. - Ozanam Room
AA Meeting ............................... 7:00 p.m.- 8:00 p.m. - St. Vincent Room

**Tuesday, February 27th**
Vincentian Women .................. 7:00 p.m.- 8:00 p.m. - Portail Room
Knights of Columbus ................. 7:00 p.m.- 8:00 p.m. - Ozanam Room

**Wednesday, February 28th**
AA Meeting ............................... 6:30 p.m.- 7:30 p.m. - St. Vincent Room
Choir Practice .......................... 7:00 p.m.- 9:00 p.m. - Ozanam Room

**Thursday, March 1st**
Renew My Church Parish Meeting .................. 7:00 p.m. - Church

**Friday, March 2nd**
Stations of the Cross ........................ 7:00 p.m.- 8:00 p.m. - Church

**Saturday, March 3rd**

**Sunday, March 4th**
Presiders: Vigil Mass - Fr. McDevitt; 8:00 a.m. Mass - Fr. Robinson; 10:00 a.m. Mass - Fr. Dixon; 5:00 p.m. Mass - Fr. Dixon; 8:30 p.m. Campus Ministry Student Mass - Fr. McDevitt

RCIA ................................. 10:00 a.m.- 1:00 p.m. - Portail & St. Vincent Room
Al-Anon Meeting .................. 4:00 p.m.- 5:00 p.m. - St. Vincent Room

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Financial Stewardship

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<td><strong>Total Revenue for December 2017</strong></td>
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*Includes DePaul University Monthly Stewardship

Thank you for your continued support of St. Vincent de Paul Parish! Your commitment is vital to the fiscal health of our parish. For convenient regular giving, please consider using our auto-withdrawal program.

Welcome

Thank you for being with us! As you explore what St. Vincent has to offer, please reach out to a member of the parish staff to answer any questions. We ask all who regularly join us in worship to take a moment to register. This enables us to serve you better and takes only a couple of minutes. Registration can be done through the Parish Center during business hours, or by visiting us online at www.stvdep.org.

We Welcome the Following New Parishioners: Theresa Coffey

Private Prayer in the Church
Please enter the church for private prayer through the Parish Center during regular office hours.

Finding Your Way Around

Restrooms: Public restrooms are located in the narthex and Parish Center.

Parish Center: Staff offices and meeting rooms are housed in the Parish Center. Reception for the public is located in this building to the west of the church and to the back of the courtyard.

Ozanan Room: Large meeting and activity room on the first floor at the end of the hall.

Portail Room: Small conference room on the first floor across from the kitchen.

St. Vincent Room: Large meeting room on the lower level.

Narthex: Large gathering space at the main doors on Webster Avenue.

Sacristy: Room behind the west side of the sanctuary where the priest and other ministers prepare for liturgical celebrations. This room also provides access to the Parish Center.

Parking
Parking behind the church is permitted for parishioners and guests attending weekend masses and Friday wedding rehearsals. Parking at all other times without a proper DePaul University faculty/staff permit is subject to towing at the owner’s expense. Public parking is available at the university garage on Sheffield (at Fullerton). Tickets may be validated for two hours at Parish Center reception, or at the Sheffield entrance of the church while attending church-related functions.

Disabled Access
A ramped sidewalk can be accessed from the rear parking lot to the Sheffield entrance of the church. There is a ramped access to the sacristy from the church which allows access to the Parish Center through the sacristy. All of our restrooms are disabled-accessible.

Mother Seton Food Pantry and Sandwich Kitchen
Located in the northeast corner of the church (access is through the wheelchair door on Sheffield), the sandwich kitchen is open Monday-Saturday from 8:15-10 a.m. The food pantry is open on Tuesdays from 10:30 a.m.-1:00 p.m. If you are interested in volunteering in the morning, or to help prepare meals or shop, please contact Phil at outreach@stvdep.org.

Office for the Protection of Children and Youth
If you would like more information about child protection in the Archdiocese of Chicago or how to report abuse, please go to http://www.archchicago.org/departments/protection/protection.shtm or call Jan Slattery, OPCY Director at 312-534-5319.

Second Sunday of Lent
St. Vincent de Paul Parish

**Celebration of the Sacraments at St. Vincent de Paul**

**Reconciliation:** Saturday afternoon, 4:15–4:50 p.m. in the Reconciliation Room near the Sheffield entrance of the church, or you can call the Parish Center for an appointment.

**Baptism:** Please contact Mary Carter (mcarte40@depaul.edu) to register for baptism preparation, which is held on the 3rd Monday of each month at 7:00 p.m. in the Parish Center. You may attend this class either before or after your child is born.

Following preparation and **after** your child is born, please contact Mary to schedule a baptism date. Baptisms are celebrated on the 4th Sunday of the month at 11:30 a.m., or during a regular Sunday mass. Baptism is not celebrated during the Lenten season.

**Marriage:** Please contact Mary Carter (mcarte40@depaul.edu) to discuss the celebration of the sacrament of marriage here at St. Vincent’s, or concerning preparation and prenuptial matters if you are getting married in another parish.

For baptized Catholics, marriage is celebrated within a Catholic church in the presence of a priest or deacon. The first item to plan is the selection of a date and time. **In order to celebrate the sacrament of marriage at St. Vincent, one needs to be a registered parishioner for four months prior to discussion of a date.** DePaul University faculty, staff, students, and alumni may also celebrate their wedding here, provided either the bride, groom, or both are Roman Catholic, registered at a parish and actively engaged in the practice of their faith. Weddings are celebrated on Saturdays only, at 1:00 p.m. or 3:00 p.m. Weddings are not celebrated during the season of Lent, Holy Week or Saturdays that conflict with other parish events. Mary confirms all reservations for weddings.

**Confirmation:** Catholic adults who would like to receive the sacrament of Confirmation are invited to contact Rebecca at rcarmic1@depaul.edu. Confirmation preparation sessions are held Sunday evenings February through May.

**RCIA:** Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA) is a program that prepares adults to receive the sacrament(s) of Baptism, Confirmation and First Communion. Preparation sessions are held on Sundays from 11:15 a.m.–1:00 p.m. and celebration of the sacraments occurs at the Easter Vigil mass. To learn more or to enroll in the RCIA program, please contact Rebecca at rcarmic1@depaul.edu.

**First Communion:** Requires two years of classes. Family catechesis (classes for parents and children) religious education classes are held monthly. Please contact Rebecca at rcarmic1@depaul.edu.

**Priesthood/Religious Life:** Please contact Fr. Jim Osendorf, CM, by phone at 1-800-depaul-1 or by email at vocations@vincentian.org to learn more about becoming a priest or religious.

**Anointing of the Sick:** To receive the sacrament of anointing of the sick, please contact the Parish Center.
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**Bulletin Information**
Articles must be submitted on or before **Noon on Saturday** for the next weekend's bulletin (earlier, for the week preceding holidays). Microsoft Word attachments are requested. Please make sure to indicate which Sunday date(s) you’re requesting.

Please DO NOT send content by email, but instead use the Bulletin Submission Form: stvdep.org/weekly-bulletin/. Contact Christopher Allen (callen53@depaul.edu) with any questions.

**Website Information**
Submit news items, photos, PDF announcements, and similar promotional materials at any time to Christopher Allen. Please include your complete contact information in case we need to reach you.

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The Word Among Us (wau.org) is a Catholic devotional magazine with the daily mass readings and reflections.

DePaul University (http://tinyurl.com/mxkaue6) has a variety of resources regarding St. Vincent de Paul and the Vincentian Family, including articles, podcasts and interviews, in “All Things Vincentian.”

Busted Halo (bustedhalo.com) is an “online magazine for spiritual seekers” sponsored by the Paulist Fathers. It includes reflections on faith and popular culture.

Saint of the Day (http://tinyurl.com/l57vch) provides a short biography of the saint for the current day.
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