May 13th, 2018

The Ascension of the Lord

“Jesus tells the disciples that they will be witnesses to the ends of the earth”

— Acts 1:8-11

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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
Today as the People of God, we commemorate and celebrate the end of Jesus’ time on Earth. We recall his Ascension into heaven, when he returned to God. But it’s not simply a commemoration of a historical moment or an important event in the lives of the disciples; it has relevance for us here today.

As we hear in today’s Gospel from Mark, Jesus’ final words before ascending to God were, “Go into the whole world and proclaim the gospel to every creature.” This mission to be a witness to the Resurrection is our mission today. We are a Church on a mission to proclaim what Jesus has taught us. We are on a mission to share the love of God with all we meet. We are on a mission to recognize where God is working in our lives.

As a parish community, and as a part of the larger Church, we are called to make this love and welcome real in our lives: both individually and collectively. Each one of us is called to spread the joy of the Gospel in our lives. As the living Body of Christ, we are called to be generous, giving of ourselves out of love for God and others. We are Christ’s presence in our city and world.

When we celebrate the Ascension, this is what we really celebrate. WE are the Body of Christ present in the world. We are connected with one another and with Christ. People get to know Christ because they know us and see the impact that our faith has. I close with a poem by the Spanish mystic St. Teresa of Avila. May this be our prayer today:

Christ has no body now on earth but yours,
No hands, no feet on earth but yours,
Yours are the eyes with which he looks with compassion on this world,
Yours are the feet with which he walks to do good,
Yours are the hands, with which he blesses all the world.
Yours are the hands, yours are the feet,
Yours are the eyes, you are his body.

From the Pastor
To Teach Who Christ Is Capital Campaign Reminder

As you may remember three years ago, our parish was blessed to receive $800,000 in pledges during the To Teach Who Christ Is campaign, and raise 100% of our goal. Thank you!

As you may know, we receive our share of campaign funds as pledges are paid. To date, over $268,000 has been returned to us, and we have already directed these funds to capital repairs, such as repairing some of the windows, the roof and tuck-pointing, as well as support our outreach and ministry. As more pledges are fulfilled, we will begin some repairs at the base of the north side of the church. We hope to begin this project this summer. Please support the parish by fulfilling your pledge. We are near the point where all of the pledge payments will be returned 100% to the parish! If you are new to the parish and would like to donate, you can go to ToTeachWhoChristIs.org

Parish goal: $800,000
Total gifts and pledges: $800,000
Total paid on pledges: $460,000
Total returned to our parish: $268,740

If you have a question about your pledge, please contact the To Teach Who Christ Is office at 312.534.8500 or go to ToTeachWhoChristIs.org

Want to serve? No experience necessary!!

Your assistance is needed to help in our daily soup kitchen. Volunteers help to prepare the meal, welcome our guests and serve coffee and tea. Volunteers arrive at 7:30am and finish by 10:15. It is rewarding and a great way to give back to others in need. If you’re available, please contact outreach@stvdep.org

If you’re unable to volunteer, you can still participate in the mission by supporting the ministry with your financial resources. Go to stvdep.org/donate, click on the button and choose “Food Pantry/Soup Kitchen.”

Thank you for your continued support!
Congratulations!

Congratulations to Adamaris who celebrated her First Holy Communion on Sunday May 6! A thank you to all of our Special Religious Education (SPRED) volunteers who helped her: Tracy Mathison, Lindsay Walter, Rachel Greve and Kathryn Peevey. If you would like to be involved with SPRED, please contact Tracy at stvdepspred@yahoo.com.

Memorial Mass

Towards the end of March, longtime parishioner Patricia “Patty” Hayes passed away after a fight with cancer. Her funeral was at her family’s home near St. Louis. Patty was an usher at the Saturday evening mass and a member of the parish Finance Commission. In addition, she was active in the Sheffield Neighborhood Association, co-chairing the Sheffield Garden Walk for many years.

We will be celebrating a memorial mass on Saturday June 9 at 11am in the church. All in our community are invited to attend to pray for Patty and her family, and to celebrate and give thanks for her life.
Vincent's People: A Stewardship Chronicle

My name is Othello Anderson. I am an artist and musician and a retired professor from the UIC and the School of the Art Institute of Chicago and my wife, Leslie Linke, is a retired Speech Language Pathologist who has worked in the schools for more than 35 years. In 2013, I started to attend St. Vincent’s with my wife, Leslie, a long time parishioner. I could see that St. Vincent’s meant a lot to her and wanted to see what the draw was. I was immediately welcomed into the parish family. Although I was raised as a Methodist, I felt an affinity to the inspirational services, beautiful church, excellent music, and warm parishioners. After attending Mass for several months and serving as an usher/greeter, I wanted to make more of a commitment to the parish.

I began to attend the RCIA Program (Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults). I was supported through this journey by our leader, Rebecca Carmichael, my sponsor, Linda Vaeth, and my wife, Leslie. The RCIA program helped me to know the Catholic faith and to understand the Vincentian Mission. Upon completion, I felt I had a renewed relationship with God and a new home at St. Vincent de Paul.

Together, Leslie and I serve the parish and the Vincentian Mission in many ways. I am an usher/greeter at the 10:00 am Mass and Leslie sings in the 10:00 am choir and serves on the Community Life Commission and the newly formed Vincentian Women’s Group. We enjoy and attend the many parish sponsored social opportunities to get to know our fellow parishioners and opportunities to serve the Vincentian Mission.

We both feel a personal connection to the Mission of St. Vincent de Paul. It says a lot that Leslie has been a parishioner for nearly forty years and that I chose to join her. Our faith, our fellow parishioners, our beautiful and historic church building, and the inspirational and moving music and liturgical services root us here. We are very grateful to belong to this parish.

“If God is the center of your life, no words are necessary. Your mere presence will touch hearts.”
- St. Vincent de Paul
News & Notes

Vincentian Women
St. Vincent de Paul Parish

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

Please join us for our next meeting, Tuesday, May 29, 7:00 – 8:00 pm in the Parish Center.

If you would like to be added to our email list, please contact Jenny (jennyemohan@gmail.com).

Meetings are held on the last Tuesday of the month at 7:00 pm in the Parish Center. All women are welcome!

Learn more by visiting: stvdep.org/community-life/vincentian-women/

Join TnT (Twenties 'n Thirties) at HomeSlice Wheelhouse

Join TnT (Twenties 'n Thirties) this evening after the 5:00 p.m. Mass at St. Vincent de Paul Parish. We’ll walk over to HomeSlice Wheelhouse and socializing starts around 6:00 p.m.
The Camino de Santiago Pilgrimage

We can’t thank you enough for your amazing generosity! The parishioners donated over $900 this past weekend! You will be prayed for along the trip and invited to a dinner when we return to talk about the pilgrimage. Our hearts are overwhelmed and we are grateful!

Peace and Joy,

The DePaul Students walking the Camino de Santiago Pilgrimage

TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION

In Ireland and the United Kingdom, Mother's Day is over. "Mothering Sunday" was on the Fourth Sunday of Lent. Long ago, people were freed from work to travel on this day to the parish where they were baptized, their "Mother Church." Often, people were reunited with their mothers on this day. Employers would release their workers and servants for this visit. The American celebration, while based on this custom, really has to do with an anti-war movement of mothers in Civil War times. They crusaded for better sanitary conditions for their sons. When President Wilson instituted the first Mother's Day in 1912, it was a day to fly the flag in honor of mothers whose children had died in battle. Knowing the tradition is a good balance to our celebration today. We can enfold in prayer the mothers who have suffered the loss of their children in war.

--Rev. James Field, Copyright (c) J. S. Paluch Co.
ON A LIFE WELL-LIVED, AND MOTHERLY LESSONS
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Roughly a year ago now—Father’s Day 2017, actually—I wrote a column about Russ Gremel. I wrote specifically about the Chicago Tribune headline stating at the time, “98-year-old had ‘good life; gives away $2M…Walgreens shares go to Audubon for wildlife sanctuary.” I explained how my wife and I came to know Russ as the local Boy Scout troop’s scoutmaster who led our son Paul to his Eagle award, adding that while I was aware Russ had retired early to spend more time with the Scouts, and while I was aware he’d lived frugally and made good investments enabling him to do this, I wasn’t aware he’d purchased $1,000 worth of Walgreen’s stock 70 years ago and just left it alone. Wow.

Russ passed away on April 22 at the age of 99. The wake was held a week or so later, and the funeral a couple of days later still. For a guy who never married—and who outlived most of his family and compatriots—Russ packed Malec Funeral Home, the Congregational Church of Jefferson Park, Irving Park Cemetery, and Pryzbylo’s White Eagle for the luncheon afterward. A former Scout at Pryzbylo’s said that on average, 4% of boys who begin in scouting achieve the Eagle award. Russ’s average, though, was 23%. All told, he put through almost 190 Eagles. He touched a lot of lives, this guy, and it showed. The memorial booklet was subtitled “A life well-lived.” Truly.

As the luncheon began, those with Russ stories to tell were invited to step up to the mic. Many did. Now, on Mother’s Day, I recall one story in particular told by a former Scout whose mom years prior had found (Gremel) religion. You need to know that Russ always had his Scouts walk their gear to the campsite even though the site had an access road. Seems the mom in question thought this gear-walking was nonsense—especially given that the site was maybe a mile from the main parking lot—so she offered to drive her young son and some of his Scout friends in. They had the presence of mind to say no, but I guess she talked them into at least letting her drive their packs in. Oh, my.

As the story goes, she pulled up to the site and Russ asked what she was doing. She told him, and even asked Russ for a hand in unloading the gear. Oh, my. Russ explained how things worked in Troop 979. The mom said in effect that there was more than one way to run a troop. Acknowledging this, Russ then started packing up all of his own gear. The mom asked what he was doing. Russ said that he used to be the scoutmaster, but apparently she was in charge now, so he was going home. Man, I wish I’d been there for that! I think the mom returned to the parking lot with the gear, and the young boys had to shoulder their packs to the site after all. Funny! And teacherly. Good moms everywhere want to do good by their children. We honor these moms today. But doing good by them can mean different things, depending on circumstance. Some of the Scouts at the luncheon said that Russ’s ways had helped them to become better fathers when their own children came along. Or better moms, as the case may be. Thanks, Russ, for both lessons learned.
**Giving**

St. Vincent de Paul Parish

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**Weekly Intentions**

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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.

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, Camdyn Campbell, Almeda Colby, Bob & Pat Dillon, Virginia Dillon, John Garrity, Mary Grecoina, Leticia Gross, Mary Hayes, Anita Italiane Hearn, Madelynn Jacobs, Laura Linke, Sue Michalak, David Neesan, Terri Proietto, Natalia De Los Rios, James Schwake, Scott Taylor, 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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Week at a Glance

Sunday, May 13th
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. Mass - Fr. Borlik

Religious Ed .. 9:00 a.m. - 12:30 p.m. Ozanam, Portail & St. Vincent Rooms
Al-Anon Meeting ...................... 4:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m. - St. Vincent Room
Confirmation Group ............ 3:30 p.m. - 8:00 p.m. Ozanam & Portail Rooms

Monday, May 14th
AA Meeting ........................................ 7:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m. - St. Vincent Room

Tuesday, May 15th
Community Life Commission Meeting ............. 6:30 p.m. - Portail Room

Wednesday, May 16th
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, May 17th

Friday, May 18th

Saturday, May 19th

Sunday, May 20th
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. Mass - Bishop Perry

Religious Ed First Communion Mass ..................... 10:00 a.m. Church
Spanish Mass ................................................................. 11:30 a.m. Church

(Luncheon following in Portail and Ozanam Rooms)
Al-Anon Meeting ...................... 4:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m. - St. Vincent Room
Confirmation Group ..................... 7:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m. Ozanam Room

Financial Stewardship

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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.

Visit www.stvdep.org/donate/ for more information.
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: Paul Avila, Jennifer Reilly, Andrew & Amy Ryzin, Veronica Collins & Jack Donovan

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.

Ozanam 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 Fr. Jeremy Dixon at JDIXON20@depaul.edu.

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.
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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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.

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

The US Conference of Catholic Bishops (tinyurl.com/pn4a7wl) has a daily video reflection on the mass readings, as well as the readings

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

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.”

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