March 17th, 2019

Second Sunday of Lent
“The LORD made a covenant with Abram”
— Genesis 15:5-12, 17-18

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: 8:00 p.m.

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

Miraculous Medal Novena
Monday mornings after the 8:00 a.m. Mass
Sunday Scripture Reflection

Shannon Sullivan is a decade long parishioner at St. Vincent's, first attending when she was a student at DePaul. You will typically find her serving at the 5pm Sunday mass and as a Parish art and history guide. In addition to her involvement at St. Vincent's, Shannon attends monthly Taizé Prayer at Ascension Parish in Oak Park where she serves on the Taizé prayer leader team. Shannon is an environmental advocate and urban vegetable gardener, working to encounter God in the natural world.

Today’s Gospel reading is one that we hear every Lent. Its scenes and characters are familiar: the mountain, the dazzling white of Jesus’ garments, Moses and Elijah, and the disciples bearing scared and eager witness. I find there is a certain comfort in revisiting this story every year.

As I have been sitting and reflecting with the Gospel this week, the act of transfiguring has continued to stick with me. What exactly does it mean to be transfigured? So, like any curious person, I Googled it — Transfiguration is the act of something changing completely into a more beautiful state than it was in before.

Many parts of our world are in need of a transfiguration. We live in a world that is divided, that is filled with a lack of compassion and personal connection. We live in a time when the common good is not the most powerful force. The power lies in the voice with the loudest, most expensive, microphone.

In addition, our global Church is in the midst of a moment calling it to great change — to a transfiguration. The Church cannot continue to move forward in the way that it has in the past. It has tried, and it is not working. For the wounds we all feel are too deep to be ignored or brushed aside.

So now each of us stands as the disciples did, next to Christ on the mountain. But will we stay silent as they did, afraid of the change to come and its unknown consequences? Or will we share with Christ in the beauty and truth of the Gospel: even when that goes against those with the loudest microphone.

Let us not forget, we are the Body of Christ. This is our Church. We have the opportunity to bring about the transformation. We can lift up those who have been hurt or marginalized in our Church — by those who have not been welcomed because they are seen as different. Each one of us has the chance to stop shutting doors on these people and countless others, and instead find new ways to welcome those that the powerful are not letting in.

I invite you to imagine, reflect, and pray on the possibilities.

Together we can create a more beautiful Church — a more vibrant Church. A place that is as radical as Jesus was. Every single one of us has the transfiguring power of Christ within us. Transfiguration of the Church won’t be easy, but it may be our only way forward — to find a renewed life in the Gospel.
Pray : Serve : Share

Congratulations on your Confirmation

Stephanie Barrera
Lissy de la Chapelle
Jessica Coop
Julia Coop
Timothy Daniels

Caitlin Kennedy
Christina Martinez
Lizet Martinez
Meagan Rathjen
Maria Taveras

It’s all about ME$^{25}$

St. Vincent de Paul parish wants to provide you with the best possible spiritual home. In order to do so we need to hear your opinions and understand the engagement level of all parishioners.

Beginning Sunday March 24th St. Vincent de Paul Parish will begin conducting the Gallup ME$^{25}$ survey. The survey will be accessible to parishioners both online and in paper form in the pews.

ME$^{25}$ features questions carefully chosen to measure an individual’s engagement and spiritual commitment. Both of which are essential to achieving the four relevant outcomes of spiritual health: life satisfaction, serving, inviting, and giving.

All survey responses are confidential. For more information or questions please contact Rebecca at rcarmic1@depaul.edu
Lenten Calendar of Events

**Weekdays** - Daily Mass at 8:00 a.m., Church

**Monday** - Miraculous Medal Novena during 8:00 Mass
**Tuesday** - Music, Solidarity, Stillness at 6:00 p.m., Church
**Tuesday** - Men’s Prayer Group at 6:30 p.m., Parish Center
**Wednesday** - Vincentian Women Rosary at 6:00 p.m. Church
**Thursday** - Scripture Study at 7:00 p.m., Parish Center
**Friday** - Stations of the Cross at 7:00 p.m., Church

**Reconciliation Service** - Wednesday, April 10 - 7:00 p.m.
Pray : Serve : Share

Vincentian Women

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

Join us for Pray the Rosary led by Vincentian Women on Wednesday evenings during Lent!
6:00 pm in the Church. Doors open at 5:30 pm.
All are welcome!


Visit our website for more information: stvdep.org/community-life/vincentian-women/

Lenten Regulations
(from March 6th, 2019, 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.

Lenten Scripture Reflections

Beginning on March 7, Fr. Jeremy will host a Scripture reflection on the readings for the following Sunday. A mix of historical background and context along with spirituality will help everyone to go deeper into the Word of God. No prior experience is necessary! Copies of the readings will be provided. We will continue each Thursday until Holy Week at 7pm in the parish center.
Enroll Your Child Now for Pre-K 4!

By enrolling your child in Saint Clement’s Pre-K 4 program, your child will experience weekly lessons in Spanish, STEAM, Music, Physical Education, Art, and Library.

10 to 1 Student Teacher Ratio

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Also enrolling 1st through 8th grade.

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ON RED EGGS AND GINGER, GROWTH, AND GROWING STRONGER
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My wife and I were invited to an interesting celebration a while back by some Asian friends. Per the invite, “Please join us for a Red Egg and Ginger Party to celebrate the first 100 days…” of their son Grayson. Here’s what I found about such things online: “A Red Egg and Ginger Party is the traditional Chinese celebration of a baby’s one-month birthday. The custom dates to ancient times when infant mortality rates were high and new babies were named and celebrated only after a month had passed and survival seemed assured. Thankfully, times are less perilous today…” The tradition carries on, though, and I learned reading further that 100 days is more the norm nowadays.

I accepted the invitation and marked my calendar, but this was easily a month back, and things got busy. The next thing I knew it was the Friday night before the Saturday afternoon gig, and I was asking a friend who was also invited for gift ideas. Essentially, she said to put cash in a red envelope. This didn’t sound too hard, so I hit the TCF at my local Jewel on Saturday mid-morning, then went looking for an all-occasion card that came in a red envelope. I found one and stepped to the checkout lines to pay for it, but every main checkout line was full, and the express lane had over ten people waiting. It was now nearly 10:00 AM and the gig started at noon. In Evanston.

Walking up and down the row of shoppers with their baskets, I tried to look as pathetic as possible, then with a sigh—a purposefully loud one—I settled in behind a woman whose cart was maybe one-third full. She turned and saw me, and I held the card up at chest level to be sure she couldn’t miss it. “That’s all you have...a card?” she asked. “That’s all I have...a card,” I answered. She looked at me for a second or two more, then told me to go ahead. I thanked her, and did. As the clerk was finishing up with the woman ahead of me, I looked back to the woman behind me and thanked her once more, adding, “I’ve known about this party for weeks.” She smiled and said in turn, “I understand.”

We all do, but many of us don’t act on it. If we did, we’d stop seeing television newscasters outside of post offices on April 15th. Lent again calls us to change, however, and in matters much larger than buying cards and filing taxes. The Church gives us the Transfiguration story every Second Sunday of Lent (today, from Luke) in part, perhaps, to remind us not only of our glorified future in Christ, but to remind us also that if we don’t arrive at Calvary changed, then why bother? No one can blame Peter for wanting to put up those three tents and stay up on that mountain. But the Kingdom we’re building needs all of us down here. Because down here is where the work is. Down here is where we are called to better emulate the Christ. And today, btw, not tomorrow. Even though the ancient custom behind red egg and ginger parties is sad, I see similarities between the month delay to celebrate birth and the six-week Lenten journey we’re embarked on. Both timelines are about growth, both are about growing stronger, and both promise a nice big party at the end.
**News & Notes**

**STAND FIRM IN THE LORD**

It is not hard to imagine, in this age of wars, evil groups bent on the destruction of humanity, and political follies, that the words of Saint Paul were so accurate, even for his time. It seems that the world never changes. Paul says, Many . . . conduct themselves as enemies of the cross of Christ. Their end is their destruction . . . Their minds are occupied with earthly things (Philippians 3:18, 19). The result is the destruction of innocent people and of the Earth itself. But Paul says to the Philippians, our citizenship is in heaven, and from it we also await a savior, the Lord Jesus Christ (3:20). He will change our lowly body to conform with his glorified body (3:21). Note that he says body rather than bodies. He is talking about the whole community of believers, who, following the example of Jesus and of Paul, will come into the glory of God. So stand firm in the Lord (4:1).

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**Mass offerings are now available for all weekend masses in addition to weekdays.**

Several weekend masses are available through the end of the year! We are also scheduling masses for 2019. Request a mass to be offered on behalf of your loved one. You can reserve one for the anniversary of a death or support someone during a difficult time, offer one for a birthday or wedding celebration, or however else you wish. Please contact the parish office at 773-325-8610 or stop by to reserve a mass intention.

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**Giving**

**DONATE IN A SNAP... FROM YOUR BANKING APP!**

• Open your banking app
• Select “Transfer $ using Zelle”
• Enter donate@stvdep.org
• Enter an amount to donate
• Send!
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, Alyssa Beverly, Gabriel Cabael, Juliette Calabrese, Linda Cameron, Camdyn Campbell, Margaret Charles, Almeda Colby, Pat Dillon, Virginia Dillon, Luis and Evelyn Fuentes, John Garrity, Mary Grecoina, Leticia Gross, Mary Hayes, Anita Italiane Hearl, Madelynn Jacobs, Gustavo Lauria, Laura Linke, David Neesan, Eileen Ouimet, Terri Proietto, Natalia De Los Rios, James Schwake, Philip Stelnicki, 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.

Mass Offerings

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### Financial Stewardship

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*Includes Monthly Stewardship from DePaul University

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/](http://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: Corinne Ahrens, Molly Burke

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.
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.

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.