November 24th, 2019

Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe

“Let us go rejoicing to the house of the Lord”

— Psalm 122

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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 during the 8:00 a.m. Mass
Sunday Scripture Reflection

My name is, Andrea Unzicker, and I have been a parishioner at Saint Vincent DePaul for almost twenty years. I serve as a Eucharistic Minister and help with the annual Christmas gift tag program. My sister, Holly, introduced me to the 5pm Sunday mass in 1999 and we quickly made this a Sunday night tradition. As time moved on I met Pat, and we were married at the church in 2003. We have been blessed with our children, Genevieve and Patrick, who became parishioners at their baptisms in 2007 and 2009. Saturday 5pm mass has been a tradition with our family since birth and one that we hope to continue for many years.

Today’s first reading from the Book of Samuel is about David’s two roles as shepherd and commander. As a daughter and mother I reflect on how I can identify with these two jobs.

The tribes of Israel came to David asking for his protection and to tend to their well being. As a child, I didn't have to ask my parents for these things but rather they were given to my siblings and me unconditionally. Mom and Dad were my shepherds who laid the foundation for my faith and inspiration. I was in my own world; unaware of the things my parents were juggling with while raising me. They didn’t let their distractions get in the way of helping me pursue my education, career, and relationships with confidence. When I became a mother, my shepherd changed their role and supported me when the time came for me to tend to my flock.

Today when I think about my daily routine of getting the kids up, volunteering, shuttling them to school, sports, and activities with friends, I think of the shepherds out in the fields, except it’s more like an SUV navigating the streets of Chicago. I take time out of the day to pray to God and ask for support and strength to so I can lead my flock with the love and care that was given to me.

Take time out of your day to thank your shepherd whether it is friend, parent, or God.
Vincentian Stewardship

Planned Giving

Your ability to arrange a planned gift may be more significant than you first think. Many people of modest means make important gifts to charities of all kinds every day. Most people think of leaving a certain amount of money to their favorite charity by including the gift in their Will. However, giving cash or other assets is just one way to make a bequest.

Year-End Giving: Corporate Match

How can you make your year-end gift at Christmastime to St. Vincent double in value? Check with your company to see if they offer a charitable matching gift program.

Employee Matching Gifts are donations an employer makes to match its employees' charitable contributions. Employee matching gifts of ten are dollar-for-dollar, but some companies will give double or even triple the original donation. Guidelines and amounts vary with each company. Typically, individuals must submit forms to their employers. Check with your Human Resources Department for more information on matching gift donations at your company.

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**St. Vincent de Paul Christmas Gift Tag Program**

The Christmas season is right around the corner and many of you have started your Christmas shopping already. Remember those less fortunate by helping make this Christmas one to remember for a child in need, in our community. The St. Vincent de Paul Gift Tag Program provides gifts to families associated with the Marrilac House. Parents come to the center the weekend before Christmas, and with a $5 donation per household, can choose one gift for each child. Monetary donations collected from families are used for field trips for the children throughout the year. Please consider adding another gift to your list this year!

November 9 through December 8, gift tags will be available after Mass at both the Sheffield and Webster entrances. Return the gifts unwrapped to the altar steps or bring them to the Parish Center no later than Sunday, December 15. If you prefer to shop online, visit our charity registry at [https://tinyurl.com/ujpkr5o](https://tinyurl.com/ujpkr5o)

Gifts will be delivered directly to the Parish Center.

Volunteers are needed Sunday, December 15, 2019 following the 8:00 a.m. mass, to help sort the gifts in the Parish Center. Please contact Kristin Lapinski at c.k.lapinski@gmail.com to sign up.

Thank you for your help and support in making a child’s Christmas brighter!
**Mass for the**

**Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception**

—Confessions follow

Monday, December 9, 2019 at 6:30 pm

Let every heart
prepare a home
where such a mighty
guest may come.

St. Michael Church
1633 N Cleveland Ave | Chicago, IL 60614 | (312) 642-2498

This is a collaborative event of the Lincoln Park parish grouping of ICSJ, St. Josephpat, St. Michael, St. Teresa, and St. Vincent de Paul Parishes. Multiple priests will be available to hear confessions following Mass. The Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception is usually December 8, however, this year it is moved to Monday, December 9, because December 8 falls on a Sunday.

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**Vincentian Women**

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

**Upcoming Events** –
**Pray the Rosary, Wednesday, December 11, 6:00 pm, Church**
**Women’s Retreat, Saturday, February 2, 2020, 9:00 am – 3:00 pm.**

Visit our website for more information: stvdep.org/community-life/vincentian-women/
Marillac St. Vincent Family Services Presents:

BREAKFAST WITH SANTA

Sunday, December 8th
9am - 12pm

St. Vincent de Paul Center
2145 N. Halsted St.

Join us for a catered breakfast, photos with Santa, and more!

Buy tickets today! $40 for up to 4 people. Available at MSVEvents.org
We welcome into the church this weekend:

Victor Manuel, child of Victor Manuel Duque & Andrea Chavarin
Amara Mia, child of Ayodeji & Julissa Ijaola
Jordan Tiernan, child of Jason Soulja & Ashley Johnson
Robert Charles, child of Michael & Liesl Tatarowicz

TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION

Today’s solemnity, the final feast of the Church year, is a youngster as feasts go. In 1925, Pope Pius XI was distressed by global political upheaval and the de-Christianizing of society. That year was a “Holy Year”, keyed to the sixteen hundredth anniversary of the Council of Nicaea, when the words “and of his kingdom there will be no end" were added to the Creed. The Pope explained that although most feasts had developed over many centuries, the Church sometimes provided a new feast to address new needs. He pointed to the Feast of the Sacred Heart of Jesus, showing Christ’s love and compassion in a time when many people embraced a cold and gloomy spirituality. Originally on the last Sunday of October, in the late 1960s the solemnity of Christ the King was moved to the last Sunday of the year.

Fresh from baptism’s waters, we are anointed with chrism “as Christ was anointed priest, prophet, and king.” This feast is a key to our identity. On this feast, we recognize Christ as a king who breaks the usual mold of kingship, and who shapes his kingdom with our hands, our words, our deeds of love and service.

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Pray : Serve : Share

HOMILIES ONLINE
Did you know that Father Jeremy records his homilies and posts them on our website?
So if you were out of town, or would like to hear it again, you can go to our website (https://stvdep.org/about-us/from-the-pastor/) or our Facebook page to listen.

MINISTERS AT MASS
Have you been looking for something to get involved in? Consider this your sign.
The Worship Commission is seeking new volunteers to help serve in all ministries at Mass. If you like public speaking, consider becoming a lector. Or maybe you’re better at one-on-one interactions, consider becoming an Usher or Eucharistic Minister.
If you want to participate, we want you!
You don’t need any prior experience, just a short training/orientation stands between you and this fantastic opportunity. Email Jenna Garcia at jvernon640@gmail.com for more details or to sign up.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED FOR SANDWICH WINDOW
Each day, Monday to Saturday, between 80 and 100 guests come to the church to receive a meal. Would you or someone you know like to help? Volunteers arrive at 7:45 in the morning and are finished by 10:15.
All of the scheduling is done online. You can find the link by going to https://stvdep.org/outreach/
Volunteers are also needed to assist on picking up donations on Sunday morning from Costco; meet at the parish center at 9:30 to take the parish van for the pick up.
In addition, our food pantry is open to provide groceries on Tuesday from 10:30am-1pm and in need of a volunteer. If you are able to help with any of these needs, please contact Father Jeremy at jdixon20@depaul.edu
I'm no Scripture scholar, but this has never stopped me from offering an opinion about the passages from the Good Book that we read every week. I thank God on a regular basis for the words I share with you concerning these passages, btw, and every week God gives me a few more, so here we go again. To start, I find it funny on this Solemnity of Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe that the Church gives us a Gospel passage placing Jesus on the cross instead of a passage placing him in a kinglier state. His ascension, maybe. Or the empty tomb. Seems even the loaves and fishes story would be better than this. Also, I find it interesting that only Luke gives us the “good thief”...

Even with the Matthew/Mark/Luke Gospels being referred to as the synoptic Gospels because of their similarity, there are certain stories that are unique to each evangelist. For example, only Matthew tells of Judas' remorseful suicide after Jesus is condemned to death and the religious elite refuse the silver Judas tries returning to them. Only Mark tells of Jesus healing that deaf and mute man by touching his ears and tongue and saying, “Ephphatha!” Only Luke dedicates his entire Gospel to the most excellent Theophilus. And only John, of course, tells the story of the wedding feast at Cana, and what is commonly accepted as Christ's first public miracle.

By comparison, other narratives are addressed by all four writers. Often the stories are the same, if not the verbiage itself. But other times--like now--there are differences. In today's Lukan Gospel, Jesus is hanging on the tree between two criminals. All four evangelists tell it the same. Luke alone, though, has one sympathetic to Jesus. Luke even contradicts Matthew and Mark, who have the condemned insurgents mocking Jesus just as the others in the crowd mock him. But Luke has one insurgent reprimand the other (“Have you no fear of God, for you are subject to the same condemnation?”) before declaring Christ’s innocence and then making a bold request of Jesus, thus earning the repentant criminal his “good thief” moniker for all generations.

But what about kingship? This is Christ the King Sunday, after all. Where does Christ’s regal glory come into play? Well, yes, there is the inscription the soldiers placed on the cross above our Lord's head: “This is the King of the Jews,” but I suspect that only a few in the crowd understand the bitter irony in the words. And yes, the non-repentant criminal—perhaps reading that very same inscription—says, “Are you not the Christ? Save yourself and us.” Only the good thief, though, publicly recognizes Jesus for the king that he is when he asks, “Jesus, remember me when you come into your kingdom.” And only the good thief receives from Jesus what to my ear are the most tender, most ardent, most heartbreakingly beautiful words in all of Scripture: “Amen, I say to you, today you will be with me in Paradise.” If kingship is all about compassion and service, then I take back everything that I said earlier. Clearly, the Church’s Gospel choice for today couldn’t be better. Forever lives the King.
News & Notes

St. Vincent de Paul Parish Men's Group

Wednesdays at 6:30 p.m. in the Ozanam Room in the parish center.

Join the parish men's faith-sharing group for Scripture-based reflection every Wednesday at 6:30 p.m. We'll be discussing the previous Sunday's readings.

No sign-up needed. Email SVDPMensGroup@Gmail.com for any questions.

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

Several weekend masses are available through the end of the year! 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.

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!

stvdep.org/donate
St. Vincent de Paul Parish

**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, Alyssa Beverly, Leonila Cabael, Juliette Calabrese, Linda Cameron, Camdyn Campbell, Allen Carter Sr., Frances Carter, Margaret Charles, Almeda Colby, Virginia Dillon, Luis and Evelyn Fuentes, Mariam Gracia, John Garrity, Mary Grecoina, Leticia Gross, Mary Hayes, Anita Italiane Hearl, Madelynn Jacobs, Gustavo Lauria, Laura Linke, David Neesan, Ruth Ohrem, Eileen Ouimet, Terri Proietto, Natalia De Los Rios, James Schwake, Deedee Siytangco, 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. 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

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.

St. Vincent de Paul Parish

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: Erin Gordon; Andrew Pallotta

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.

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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 Church. 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. Derek Swanson, C.M., 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.

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.

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