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We, the people of Saint Vincent DePaul Parish in the Archdiocese of Saint Louis, Missouri, are committed to following Jesus Christ, Evangelizer of the poor. We do this through:

- ♦ Eucharistic centered worship and continued spiritual formation.
- ♦ Service to the poor and oppressed.
- ♦ Preaching the Gospel by word and action in an ecumenical spirit.

First Sunday of Lent

February 20 and February 21, 2010

“Lay Your Burden Down”--when it's time

(By Regina Siegfried, ASC)

If you were at the Advent concert, you heard the choir sing the spirited *Revival*, with the line, “lay your burden down.” Today you'll be given a stone to represent the burdens, sins, and obstacles that we all carry with us. When you're ready during Lent you can “lay that burden down” by placing it in the bowl. Although you might be tempted to get rid of that burden as soon as possible, remember that Lent is a period of renewal and a time to revive your spirit and relationship with God.

In the first reading from the book of Deuteronomy, Moses helps the people recall their own sacred history, their wandering in the desert, and God's gracious goodness as God “brought us out of Egypt and “gave us this land flowing with milk and honey.” Their desert days prepared them for gifts that awaited them. In the familiar Gospel story of Jesus' temptations in the desert, he spent forty days before he began his public ministry to contemplate the work of preaching God's mission and message to the people. These two readings are aptly chosen as we begin Lent. Their message tells us that a time of renewal is good for our spirits because it helps us pause in the hectic rush of our daily lives to ponder God's goodness to us, even as we carry burdens that weigh us down, prevent us from being the best we are meant to be, and hinder us from loving others as we know we can. We see Jesus choosing to reject temptations to power and an earthly reign. The presence of the Spirit guides Jesus and us to right choices, even in the midst of desert days, struggles, and the concerns that weigh us down.

We need the time of Lent to consider what burdens we carry, how God does indeed guide our lives, and how we can make the best choices to respond to the grace all around us.

Ponder:

- What burdens would I willingly lay down when it's time?
- Where will I carry or place the stone that symbolizes obstacles to growth in grace?

Do:

Make use of the Lenten resources in the back of church.

**Prayer Petition/
Thanks Offering**

Sacraments & Masses

4:30 pm Saturday
9:00 am Sunday
11 :00 am Sunday
12:05 pm Monday-Friday
6:30 pm Holy Days

Miraculous Medal
Devotion After
Monday Mass



Reconciliation
3:45 - 4:15 pm Saturday or by
appointment

Other Sacraments
by appointment

Bulletin Deadline Tuesday at Noon

You can submit requests to the
parish office or email:

bulletin@stvstl.org

Parish Office Hours

Monday—Friday
8:30 am to 4:30 pm

Saturday
9:00 am to 4:00 pm

Closed Sunday, Holy Days &
Holidays

To register in the parish,
contact the Parish Office at
314.231.9328



Charity - Mission

VINCENT
DE PAUL
LOUISE DE
MARILLAC
350th anniversary

Ministry Schedule

Saturday
February 27th 4:30pm

L-Joe Cernich
L-Judy Cernich
M-Harriett Cox
M-Suzann Barry

Sunday
February 28th 9:00am

L-Bridget Flood
L-Mary Fran Flynn
M-Mary Leimkuehler
M-Lorraine McCreedy
M-Colleen Murphy
M-Pat Poehling
M-Diane Rademacher
S-Caroline Burton
S-Kaitlin Murphy

11:00am

L-Chris Hanewinkel
L-Sharon Hodge
M-Tish Hanewinkel
M-Ellen Marshall
S-Luke Parker

Collection Counters

Sunday, February 28th Team 2

This Week In Our Parish

Monday February 22nd

5:00p Meals

Tuesday, February 23rd

3:00p After School

5:00p Meals

6:30p Let's Start

Wednesday, February 24th

3:00p After School

5:00p Meals

6:30p Liturgy Committee

Thursday, February 25th

10:00a Senior Bingo

3:00p After School

5:00p Meals

Friday, February 26th

5:00p Meals

Saturday, February 27th

5:00p Meals



Mass Intentions

Saturday, February 20th

4:30p Marcella Ross

Sunday, February 21st

First Sunday of Lent

9:00a Edward Croak Sr.

11:00a People of the Parish

Monday, February 22nd

12:05a Richard Russell

Tuesday, February 23rd

12:05p Pat Atchity

Wednesday, February 24th

12:05p Julia Wizeman

Thursday, February 25th

12:05p Robert Longinette

Friday, February 26th

12:05p Angelo Bazzetta

Saturday, February 27th

4:30p People of the Parish

Sunday, February 28th

Second Sunday of Lent

9:00a Sharon Brinson

11:00a Paul Schneebeck, Sr.

Please call Ali for your request for Masses
at 314.231.9328 or email ali@stvstl.org

Weekly Readings For week of February 21, 2010

Sunday: Deuteronomy 26:4-10
Psalm 91:1-2,10-15
Romans 10:8-13
Luke 4:1-13

Monday: 1 Peter 5:1-4
Psalm 23:1-31, 4-6
Matthew 16:13-19

Tuesday: Isaiah 55:10-11
Psalm 34:4-7, 16-19
Matthew 6:7-15

Wednesday: John 3:1-10
Psalm 51:3-4, 12-13, 18-19
Luke 11:29-32

Thursday: Esther C:12, 14-16, 23-25
Psalm 138:1-2a-e, 3, 7c-8
Matthew 7:7-12

Friday: Ezekiel 18:21-28
Psalm 130:1-5, 7a-c, 8
Matthew 5:20-26

Saturday: Isaiah 58:9b-14
Psalm 27:1, 7-9, 13-14
Matthew 5:43-48

Next Sunday: Genesis 15:5-12, 17-18
Psalm 91:1-2,10-15
Phillippians 3:17—4:1
Luke 9:28b-36

Readings found at: <http://www.usccb.org/nab/>

FROM THE PASTOR

There is a beautiful image in the first reading. It can serve us as a guide for Lent. Moses reminded the people that they were “wandering Arameans who went down to Egypt.” Having grown into a great nation, their lot became oppression and hard labor.

The “Hebrew people” were quite literally slaves. Moses tells them that the hand of Yahweh-God set them free. The once enslaved are now free. In the year 2010, Lent gives you and me the opportunity to identify our individual slaveries. Our immediate response might be to shout out, “I am a free citizen of the *United States*. I am not a slave!” That is true. However, we each have our slaveries whether self-imposed or which we have allowed them into our lives.

We are a people of instant gratification because we are a people of the computer age. We are a people who find it easy to be mesmerized by power in its various forms, by wealth in its various degrees, by the desire for self-sufficiency and by self-centeredness that often creeps up on us. Jesus faced these temptations in today’s Gospel. Instead of giving into these temptations, Jesus modeled compassion, gentleness, humility and the willingness to be a servant-leader who does not hesitate to touch lepers and wash feet.

I do not like admitting that I suffer from self-centeredness. No one does. We each try to be a good person. Yet, self finds its way into our lives. Sometimes it is as subtle as when Jesus had to respond to the dare: “If you are the Son of God.” Not one of us sets out to allow what is less than good into our lives. We never said: “When I grow up I want to be evil.” This is not just a Catholic or Christian thing. It is also an American thing. We shout out, like the hero in *Miss Saigon*: “God, I’m an American. How can I not do good.”

Our invitation for these forty days is to find those understated ways in which *self* controls our lives, thoughts and desires. If we can be honest, we can imitate our Old Testament ancestors and take a six-week journey from slavery into freedom. These days of Lent are special in the year when we celebrate the Jubilee of the deaths of Saint Vincent DePaul and Saint Louis De Marillac. These days are a journey. Let us enter that journey together.



Father DM

Stewardship

For the week of 2/15/2010		Year-to-date	Living the Mission
Parish acct. revenue	\$4,088.24	\$224,805.74	
Parish acct. budgeted expense	\$6,958.00		
Parish acct. actual expense		\$215,493.27	
Parish acct. Surplus (Deficit)	(\$2,869.76)	\$9,312.47	
Social Ministries revenue	\$2,842.50	\$121,172.43	
Social Ministries budgeted expense	\$4,403.00		
Social Ministries actual expense		\$133,779.32	
Social Ministries Surplus (Deficit)	(\$1,560.50)	(\$12,606.89)	
Total revenue	\$6,930.74	\$345,978.17	
Total budgeted expense	\$11,361.00		
Total actual expense		\$349,272.59	
Total Surplus (Deficit)	(\$4,430.26)	(\$3,294.42)	



Prayer Requests 

Together We Pray for

those who are sick & their caregivers:

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| Ben Abell | Sandy Hagerling | Tyler Nash |
| May Andrews | Branden Hamm | Robert Nenninger |
| Rosemary Agustine | Joey Harper | Tony Orf |
| Tim Barry | Nicki Harris | Belinda Patterson |
| Tom Barry | Ervin Hartmann | Esther Philips |
| Vida Bayer | George Heath | Bobby Ragsdale |
| Richard Belair | Joe Hess C.M. | Mary Reigel |
| Marie Berning | Leonard Hess | Gwen Rogers |
| Shannon Broyles | Nile Hodges | Hugh Rogers |
| S. Mary Ann Buhr | Meg Hoester | Jay Roth |
| Nancy Bundren | Paul Hogan | Glenn Schaefer, Jr. |
| Nina Cerutti | Emily Hrbacek | Ellen Sprenke |
| Marge Chromoga | Thomas Jaeger | Cathy Staten |
| Gary Cooper | Tim Jackson | Eve Steffen |
| Jim Cormack C.M. | Rollie Johnson | James Stephens |
| Mary Jo Cutsinger | Linda Koflon | Jerry Thompson |
| Mary Deeker | Jill LaFrance | Isaiah Tisdale |
| Kathleen Diechaus | Jim LaBrier | Joseph Trendle |
| Ken Doyle | Mary Limmer | Evelyn Tucker |
| Ron Figura | Richard Loos | Frank Vanek |
| Ellie Flynn | Ted McCready | Mary Vatterott |
| Mary Fontana | Megan McDowell | Mary Venezia |
| Dana Gamache | Zak McQuay | Annie Wadley |
| Lauren Gamache | Marilyn Menke | Jennifer Wallace |
| Tom Ganz | Joe Miller | Eugene Woody |
| Sharon Gough | Delia Minor | Jackie Zurfluh |
| John Gray | Anita Moore | Linda Zurfluh |
| Theresa Gray | Charles Mueller | |

Any Catholic family wishing to apply for tuition assistance through the Archdiocese for the 2010-2011 school year must obtain a "Facts" application from the parish office. Students must attend a Parochial elementary school or an Archdiocesan, Regional or Parochial High School to be eligible. The due date for the application is April 1, 2010 and must include a copy of your 2009 Income Tax Return.



those who are in need of special prayer, especially those serving in the armed forces:

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| Win Anderson | Timothy Maguire | Jason Roth |
| Jean Caraman | Chad Mellick | Paul Schaffer |
| Cody Fahrman | Nikki Mellick | Megan Stephens |
| Michael Gray | Scott Mellick | Norman Stoddard |
| Travis Hipps | Thomas Milleson | Rick Taylor |
| Sam Kramer | Mark Mitchell | |

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"It requires fortitude to be silent concerning personal ills and fatigue."

-St. Vincent de Paul

When I am tempted to relate every detail about my personal problems, Lord, help me to keep them to myself, realizing that others must deal with sufferings far greater than mine.

all those who allow us to serve them at the after school program, the clothing window, Let's Start, meals, the sandwich window, and senior bingo.

If you have a person you would like added to our prayer list, please call Ali at 314.231.9328 or email: bulletin@stvstl.org

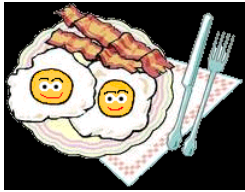
From Father ☺tto's Twisted Mind

John went to visit his 90 year old grandfather in a very secluded, rural area of *Saskatchewan*.



They spent a great evening chatting the night away. The next morning John's grandfather had

prepared breakfast of bacon, eggs and toast.



However, John noticed a film like substance on his plate, and questioned his grandfather asking, "Are

these plates clean?"

His grandfather replied, "They're as clean as cold water can get them. Just you go ahead and finish your meal, Sonny!"

For lunch the old man made hamburgers. Again, John was concerned about the plates, as his appeared to have tiny specks around the edge that looked like dried egg.



He asked, "Are you sure these plates are clean?"

Without looking up the old man said, "I told you before, Sonny, those dishes are as clean as cold water can get them. Now don't you fret, I don't want to hear another word about it!"

Later that afternoon, John was on his way back to town. As he was leaving, his grandfather's dog started to growl, and wouldn't let him pass.

John yelled and said, "Grandfather, your dog won't let me get to my car."



Without diverting his attention from the football game he was watching on TV, the old man shouted! "Coldwater, go lay down!"

Opportunities

Do you enjoy socializing after Mass with a doughnut and some coffee? Well we are still looking for someone to step up and volunteer for the third Sunday of the month. Please contact Jim Votino at 231.9328 if you can serve in this way. Maybe invite a friend to share the duties and be good stewards!



We need golfers and sponsors for our annual golf tournament on **June 11th**. Call Ali at 231-9328.

Pray for..



Attention all Knitters & Crocheters:

The Chris Baker Memorial Prayer Shawl Project is in need of help. The requests have been overwhelming for prayer shawls so we are asking anyone who would like to help in this mission to contact Jean Caton at catonjr@sbcglobal.net or leave a message with Ali at 231-9328.



No meetings, no dues; just your prayers and talents are requested. Yarn will be provided.

St. Vincent's food pantry is open for our neighbors again. Please help us to keep the pantry stocked by bringing items to church which will be brought up to the altar at the offertory. Items needed:



FLOUR
COOKING OIL
TOILETRIES

To all of you that donate items for our clothing window, we could use sweatshirts and jeans with waist size of 34 and smaller. A black barrel is located in the vestibule for your donations.

Thank You from the Ladies of Charity.

F.Y.I.

what's going on at ST. VINCENT'S

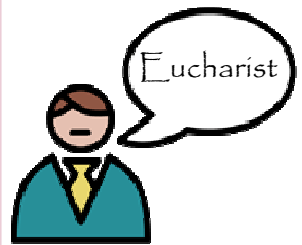


As we focus on Lent and the coming of Easter, the Faith Formation will sponsor a talk given by **Jeff Finnegan** on the *Eucharist*. Jeff will speak on Sunday, March 14th between

Masses—10:15 to 11:00 in the Annex. Jeff has a strong background in Theology balanced by 20 years experience as pastoral associate and director of youth ministry at *Blessed Teresa of Calcutta* parish in *Ferguson*. As director of youth ministry, Jeff arranged and supervised mission trips, retreats, youth group meetings, and summer youth trips. As pastoral associate, Jeff was responsible for communion services, teaching in the parish school, teaching PSR, preparing children for sacraments, and the RCIA program. Jeff is a member of the RCIA team for the archdiocese



and planning teams for retreat programs as well as many other duties. Set aside this small bit of your time on Sunday March 14th—you will be glad that you did.



Blast from the Past? Experience the Latin Mass and learn why the liturgy today is different.

Ken Parker and the RCIA Program invite you to join them on February 28th, for the 8AM Latin mass at Saint Francis de Sales Parish (on Gravois, two blocks south of Jefferson). They will come back to St. Vincent's for our usual liturgy. After the 9AM mass there will be a tour of our church and a discussion about the differences between the Latin mass and the English mass we use today. Be prepared for a "time warp" experience!



SAVE THE DATE: June 5th
50/60's dance to be held here in St. Vincent's hall.



MSO NEWS

The St. Vincent DePaul Men's Service Organization has planned a meeting in the annex for Monday, March 8th, starting at 6 PM with a social gathering. This is a joint meeting with our wives as well as with the Ladies of Charity and their husbands.

The program will begin at 6:30 and will be presented by Ms. Ronni Walkins, a Partnership Specialist with the US Census Bureau. She will discuss the importance of the census regarding political representation, the next decade's federal funding and demographic analysis. She will also talk about how difficult it is to get some people to comply with the census, how they plan to include the homeless in St. Louis, and adventures – and misadventures – of census takers in the past. A question and answer period will follow.

After the program we will have a \$15 per person catered dinner. The Ladies of Charity will then give a short talk on their history at St. Vincent DePaul, their past and future charitable work and how the MSO can be of assistance. Please RSVP by **March 4th**:
Mary Koenig 314.741.8948 or
Dennis Turek 636.349.7152

SAVE THE DATE: May 10th All parishioners

are invited to this MSO Monday evening meeting at St. Patrick Center for a dinner at McMurphy's Grill with Dan Buck as our speaker. More to come later.

Mark your calendar for the next Theological Standup

where will be discussing the **Sacrament of Reconciliation** on **Thursday, February 25th** at Square One Brewery (18th & Park in the upstairs room) at **6:30PM** Please come and join us for dinner and/or discussion.





Now is the time to start looking for quality schools for your prospective kindergarten or transfer student! We welcome anyone interested in learning more about Cabrini to set up a tour and see us in action. Applications are accepted on a rolling basis. With several classes already full this year, we encourage any new family to contact us soon to plan for 2010-2011 enrollment! In addition, several scholarship programs target newly-enrolling families. Give us a call to learn more about these opportunities!

Congratulations to the Cabrini 8th Graders who recently received confirmation of their acceptance to area Catholic high schools! Cabrini students will continue their education next year at a wide array of top-notch Catholic schools in the area, including Bishop DuBourg, Incarnate Word Academy, Nerinx Hall, Notre Dame, SLU High, St. Elizabeth's, St. Mary's, and Vianney.

The Archdiocese has once again renewed its commitment to the future of St. Frances Cabrini Academy with a generous **grant of \$135,000** through the Elementary School Grant Fund of the Annual Catholic Appeal. This funding is critical to the continued sustainability of Cabrini, and without this funding, a significant financial burden would be placed upon our sponsoring parishes and our families. Please continue to support the Annual Catholic Appeal with your donations, as it truly is making a difference in the lives of your parishioners, their families, and our community!

On **March 20th**, Cabrini will host its third 5K race in Tower Grove Park. Whether you're in the mood for a competition or a more leisurely jaunt, the 5K run, and accompanying 1-mile fun walk will be for you! You can register online this year at www.cabriniaacademy.org. If you have any questions or would like to help with the race, please contact Kate Fortier at 865.4170. We can't wait to see you there!

Be sure to mark your calendar for the Annual Cabrini Silent Auction and Dinner on Saturday, **May 1st**, in the Cabrini Gymnasium! More details and information about purchasing your tickets will be coming soon. If you would like to support the auction with a donated item or sponsorship, please contact the school!

If you would like more information about St. Frances Cabrini Academy or would like to schedule a tour, please contact the school at 314.776.0883 or email eric@cabriniaacademy.org

Our Neighbors' Events

Lenten Programs at Mercy Center

Turn Our Hearts, O God: A Guided Retreat by Marian

Love at Mercy Center

February 26—27, 2010

Presenter: Marian Love

Non-refundable registration: \$25.00

Total cost, including registration:

Residents: \$110

Commuters: \$70

For an extra night, add: \$55.00

Contact: Rita O'Dea 909.4663

Paschal Mystery: 8 Sessions at Mercy Center

Tuesday Evenings, 7:00—8:30 p.m.

March 2—April 20, 2010

Presenter: Joseph Milner Non-refundable registration: \$25.00

Total cost, including registration: \$80

Contact: Alice Kehm 909.4671

Taize Prayer for Lent at Mercy Center

Sunday evening, March 14, 2010

7:00—8:00 p.m.,

Contact: Rita O'Dea 909.4663 (Reservations not required.)

Join Peter & Paul Community Services for "Wine at the Abbey" on Saturday February 27th at the 9th Street Abbey 1808 South 9th Street. Come and enjoy fine wine, antepasti samplings from the best of St. Louis restaurants, live music and a Chinese auction.

Reservations required: Tickets: \$25.00 per person. To RSVP, contact Emily at Peter & Paul Community Services 314.588.7111 ext. 203 or by e-mail ewaner@ppcsinc.org.

The Sundance Trio in Recital, benefitting the School Sisters of Notre Dame on March 13th at 7pm. Cost is \$40, including meeting the artists at a wine and cheese reception following the concert.

OR

March 14th at 7pm and the cost is \$25. Both recitals will be held in the chapel at the SSND Motherhouse at 320 E Ripa Avenue. Contact Debbie Rohrich-Tyler at 314.6337032 or ssndrdo@ssnd-sl.org for more information and to order tickets. Bios of the musicians can be found at www.ssnd-sl.org.

The Daughters of St Paul have announced that an anonymous donor has established a scholarship fund of \$1,500.00 to recognize a high school student who embodies the spirit of St. Paul. For more info, please contact Sr. Emi Magnificat Bratt, FSP at 965.3512 or sremagnificatfsp@gmail.com

The Little Sisters of the Poor, St. Louis Home will be hosting our annual Lenten weekly evenings of service and prayer. On each Thursday evening during Lent, we invite young men and women aged 18-35 to join us in serving our elderly Residents their evening meal at 6 p.m. At 7:30, we begin a Holy Hour consisting of adoration, listening to the Word of God, night prayer and benediction. The dates chosen are February 18th & 25th and March 4th, 11th, 18th & 25th.

Please call Sr. Maria at 314-421-6022 or email vcstlouis@littlesistersofthepoor.org to register.