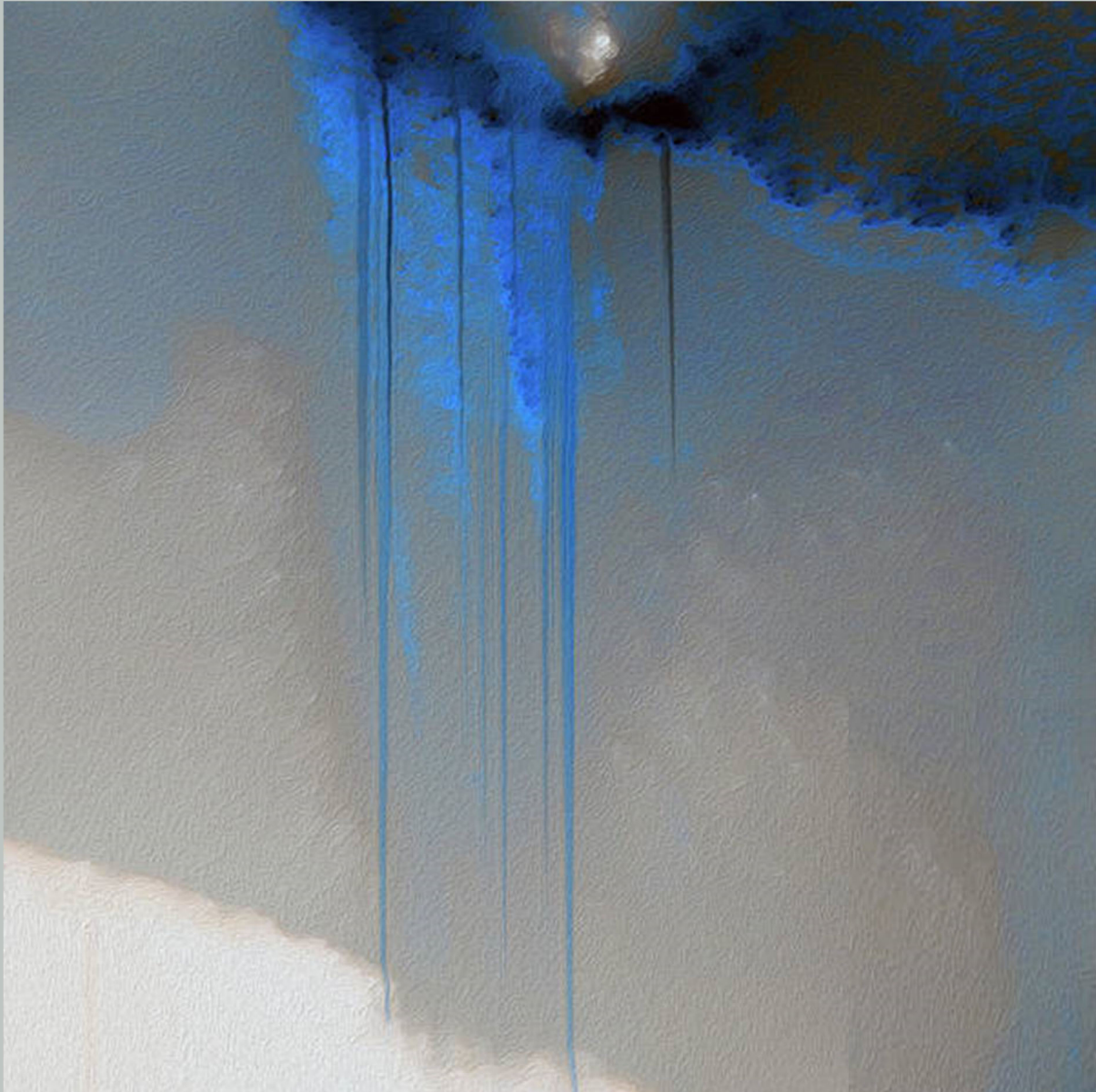


# St. Vincent De Paul Parish

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(John 11 35) Jesus Wept - Mark Lawrence



## Thoughts from Father Tony Dosen



My very dear friends in Christ,

This Lenten Season has moved faster than any other Lent that I can remember. We are just a week away from Holy Week. On this last week of the Lenten season, I want to share some reflections about change. One of the hymns we have sung during this Lenten season is "Change our hearts, O Lord." In reality, it does sum up what all of this season is about. We are called to change, to convert, if you will. We rededicate ourselves to following God's plan for us, becoming the best person that we can be.

This year, the call to conversion and change is especially poignant. By Pentecost Sunday (May 28) we, as a parish, will embark on a journey, which is unlike any journey we have ever encountered. All Things New will move from planning to implementation. Also, the Vincentian provincial planning will continue to move forward. We are living in a time of change, as a parish and as an Archdiocese. Therefore, it might be good for us to reflect a bit about change.

My thoughts today build on the work of William Bridges, Ph.D. in his work *Managing Transitions*. Any organization or group gets to be very comfortable with how things operate. Whether a Fortune 500 Company, or a school district, an archdiocese, or even a small south-city parish church, each organization becomes very comfortable in the way things were. Unfortunately, organizations are not buildings, but rather groups of people. It is living. If it is not living anymore, it is dead! If we are to live, we must continue to adapt.

Bridges focuses on the change process. In our transition from the way things were, to the new way of doing things, we have to determine how we move forward, and then we need to practice. Every time we practice, we gradually get better. Whether it is practicing a musical instrument, having the golf ball hit perfectly on the green, or tearing the leather off a baseball with a homerun hit. None of these activities are perfect on the first try. A good coach (teacher) knows that success is the product of hard work and learning from our mistakes. A good coach (teacher) also knows that we need to celebrate small wins. "This essay is improved over your previous essays. Your use of punctuation has greatly improved."

As we make our transitions as All Things New moves forward, let us remember that each of us needs to mind the gap. We need to encourage one another. We need to be good coaches. Our parish staff need patiently to encourage each member of the parish, and one another, parishioners need to encourage staff as they begin to see the new reality move into place. In short, we are all coaches and all beginners in our new reality. Let us be wise coaches, and eager beginners in the game of parish renewal. In short, let us encourage one another in the Lord. So that what has begun in us, might be brought to completion.

Easter is the time of new and renewed life. We are in the midst of creating a renewed life in Christ. May our parish community find renewed life, so that our ministries become ever more focused on the Risen Christ, who renews and blesses all our efforts and good works.

Have a great week!

*Mass Schedule:*

Mon-Fri: 12:05 pm  
 Saturday: 4:30 pm  
 Sunday: 9:00 am & 11:00 am  
 Holidays: 9:00 am  
 Holy Days: 12:05 pm & 6:30 pm  
 Confession: Saturday at 4 pm  
*before Mass*

We will continue to have the Live-Stream of 9am Mass available on our website for your convenience.

[www.stvstl.org](http://www.stvstl.org)



*Parish Office Hours:*

Mon - Fri: 8:30 am - 4:30 pm  
 Saturday: 9:00 am - 1:30 pm



For more information about our Outreach Services, please visit our non-profit

**Vincent's Community Outreach Website:**

[www.vco-stl.org](http://www.vco-stl.org)

*We, the people of St. Vincent De Paul Parish in the Archdiocese of St. Louis, Missouri, are committed to following Jesus Christ, Evangelizer of the poor.*

*We do this through:*

- Eucharistic centered worship & continued Spiritual Formation.
- Service to the poor & oppressed.
- Preaching the Gospel by word & action in an ecumenical spirit.

*Staff*

Father Tony Dosen C.M.  
*Parish Administrator*

Father Dan Thiess C.M.  
*Parochial Vicar & Food Pantry Manager*

Sister Germaine Price, DC  
*Sister in Service*

Deacon Terry Collins

Dennis Wells  
*Pastoral Associate/ Director of Liturgy*

Pat Poehling  
*Volunteer/ Outreach Coordinator*

Mary Koenig  
*Administrative Assistant*

Kaity Murphy  
*Director of Communications / Reception*

Bobby Trampier  
*Kitchen Manager*

George Dennis  
*Building Maintenance*

Jackie Cooperwood  
 & Ty Slaughter  
*Janitorial*

Paul Kraus & Carolyn Hubler  
*Family Faith Formation*

Organizations/Activities

~ VCO ~  
 Vincent's Community Outreach

~ Teresa Corby ~  
 After School Program

~ Ladies of Charity ~  
[www.ladiesofcharitystlstv.org](http://www.ladiesofcharitystlstv.org)



“We must love our neighbor as being made in the image of God and as an object of His love.”

- St Vincent de Paul -



*Please Pray for the Residents in Nursing Homes:*

Mary Leimkuehler  
Patricia Dannenberger  
Dorothy Berkopec  
Stacie Welch



Sunday, March 26th  
9 am - *People of St. Vincent de Paul*  
11 am - *Lawrence Grebel*

Monday, March 27th  
12:05 pm - *Intentions of Priest*

Tuesday, March 28th  
12:05 pm - *Super Family*

Wednesday, March 29th  
12:05 pm - *Intentions of Priest*

Thursday, March 30th  
12:05 pm - *Kathy Koenig-Murphy*

Friday, March 31st  
12:05 pm - *Intentions of Priest*

Saturday, April 1st  
4:30 pm - *Lawrence Koenig Sr.*

*Happy Anniversary!*

*Michael & Katie Hepner 27th*



*Pray for the Sick*

Elisabeth Boone	Theresa L.
Mary Ann Campbell	Tony Leone
Josie Carter	Patrick Kennedy
Deidre Cason	Tara Latimore
Manuel Cometa	The Masek Family
Suzanne D.	Lisa Masek
Kyle D.	Bob Miller
Julia Day	Miguel Quesada
Katie Ellis	Bob Rauscher Jr.
Robert Flick	Joe Richardson
Kate H.	Kathy Richardson
Nathaniel Harris	Avry Rollberg
John Hermann	Fran Russo
Christine Holt	Dave Skrzypiec
Mary Horridge	Dennis S.
Karen Howard	Barb Thomas
Don & Beth Karp	Ora Wooldridge
	Dianna Wozniak

*Ladies of Charity Announcements:*



*\* Rummage Set Up \*  
Friday, April 7, 2023*

*\* Rummage Sale \*  
Saturday, April 8, 2023*

*\* L.O.C Meeting \*  
Sunday, April 2, 2023*

# Happy Birthday!



Ben Stone	26th
Teresa Corby	27th
Will Mahfood-Thurman	27th
Jane Quante	27th
John Wozniak	27th
Elisabeth Morales	28th
Pat Kohler	29th
LaVerne Wells	29th
Peggy Pilacinski	30th
Andrew Bader	31st
Rita Mueller	31st
Sebastian Olson	31st
Bernard Powderly	31st

## What did Pope Francis Say?

“Jesus is never far from us sinners. He wants to pour out on us, without limit, all of his mercy.”



Due to the huge increase in food cost, our Food Pantry asks for your help with donations each week at Mass.

Our Food Pantry consistently needs the following items. We created a schedule for your convenience.

Thank You!

1st Sunday: Canned Fruit

2nd Sunday: Baking Goods

3rd Sunday: Peanut Butter & Jelly

4th Sunday: Boxed Cereal

5th Sunday: Boxed Dry Pasta / Pasta Sauce



We would like to take this opportunity to give a shout out to some of our generous donors to our Food Pantry & Lunch Window.

Every week we receive great items from Panera Bread, Fields Food & Caritas Connections.

We receive bagels, sweet treats, produce, meat, prepared foods, baked goods, cheese, & deli meats to name just a few of the items they share with us. Their generous donations fill our free table where our guests can come & fulfill their food needs. We are able to provide fresh fruits & vegetables to our guests every week.

Thank you to our generous supporters!

## Sunday Collection Envelopes are back!



Take a look in the back of Church for your family's envelopes!

## A message from the Ladies of Charity's Clothing Window

“We are in GREAT need of rain weather clothing & light jackets for the chilly & wet weather.”

“We especially need Men's Tennis Shoes.”

Please feel free to bring donations to the Parish Office, during Office Hours, or on Sunday mornings at mass. Thank you so much!



**Ladies of Charity**  
*Spring Luncheon & Card Party*

**Raffle                      \*                      50/50                      \*                      Attendance Prizes**

Andre's Banquets & Catering at Sunset Hills  
13366 West Watson Road St. Louis, MO 63127

**April 26th**  
**11 am - 3 pm**

**Tickets: \$30.00 Donation w/ Cash Bar**  
*(Please make checks payable to Ladies of Charity)*

**Due by April 17, 2023**  
**RSVP Required**

Contact Zoe Owen for more information (314)353-6933

*Please Join Us!*

We're the Parish Discussion Group that was formed two years ago to gather together in Zoom sessions to discuss racism, & what can be done about it. We've turned into a prayer & discussion group that goes where the Spirit takes us. We've discovered that our interests & discussions have drifted easily into almost all other areas of Social Justice & the failures to respect human dignity, such as immigration & policing, but there have been many. We cannot talk those failures away, but there is so much we can learn by listening to each other.

Contact Pat Poehling to be put on the list to receive the link to the Zoom meeting.

*Save your plastic grocery bags!*

**The Food Pantry is in need of PLASTIC grocery bags for the Free Table.**

**Our Clients & the Food Pantry thank you!**



**Attention all donut lovers!**

**Volunteers Needed!**

Please remember to sign up for Sunday Donut Pickup, *WE NEED YOU!* Sign up with "Electronic Sign Up" to volunteer to keep our "Coffee & Donuts" tradition going. Visit [www.stvstl.org/get-involved](http://www.stvstl.org/get-involved). Click the link for Sign Up Genius and pick a Sunday that works for you. In efforts of fairness and the ability for everyone to experience Community, we need to get back to our Regular Rotating Schedule of Families/Organizations serving Donuts on Sundays. *Currently we are relying on a very small group of people and that's not sustainable.*

**Building New Models of Ministry Leadership**

Contact us with ideas & feedback at [allthingsnewsvdp@gmail.com](mailto:allthingsnewsvdp@gmail.com)



Communion | Participation | Mission

*We have a profound opportunity to revitalize and re-imagine the way we engage in ministry and mission as a parish – in ways that promote and value lay leadership – and we need everyone involved.*

**PARISH COMMISSIONS**

*As announced at Church last weekend, we have four re-energized Commissions in the parish. Please contact the leader of the Commission, below, if you are interested in serving one of these important ministries in the parish.*

**Liturgy**

*Celeste Mueller - [mueller.celeste@gmail.com](mailto:mueller.celeste@gmail.com)*

**Faith Formation**

*Carolyn Hubler - [stclaircac@gmail.com](mailto:stclaircac@gmail.com)*

**Outreach and Social Justice**

*Sheila Burton - [sheilasburton@gmail.com](mailto:sheilasburton@gmail.com)*

**Parish Community Life & Communications**

*Barb Tippett - [btippett94@gmail.com](mailto:btippett94@gmail.com)*

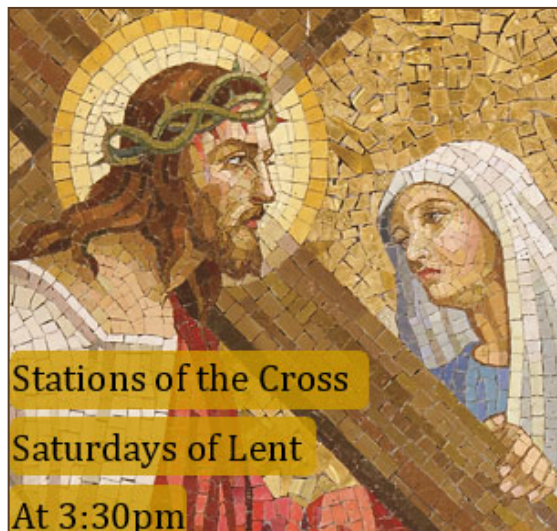
## IMPORTANT SVDP ANNOUNCEMENTS:

- \* Coffee & Donuts: Volunteers needed for both 9 a & 11 a Post-Mass Shifts. Volunteers would need to help: Serving Donuts, Pouring Coffee & Minimal Clean Up. If you're interested please contact Pat Poehling, Email: mspat@stvstl.org
- \* Funeral Volunteer Teams: We need a few teams on-hand to volunteer when there is a funeral Meal/Luncheon that our Parish is hosting. If interested please contact Mary Kay Jung, Email: marykayjung@sbcglobal.net
- \* Senior Bingo: Every Thursday in the Parish Hall; doors open at 10 am.
- \* Rummage Sale: Hosted by Ladies of Charity, held in the Parish Hall on [April 2nd 9:00am - 11:00am](#)
- \* Suds of Love: Held at the Soulard Laundromat [April 13th 3:30pm - 6:30pm](#) & [April 27th 10:00am - 1:00pm](#)
- \* Eucharistic Adoration: Every Friday once Mass has ended till 6pm. All are welcome, no sign up necessary. We are also looking for Parishioners willing to volunteer to serve 1 hour a month to serve as Attendants for Eucharistic Adoration. To volunteer as an Attendant, please contact Deacon Terry Collins in person, by Email: tcollins113@stlcc.edu or by phone (708)439-6806.
- \* Sewing & Crocheting: We are in need of talented Volunteers to help knit/crochet Baptismal Blankets and Prayer Shawls.
- \* Ladies of Charity:

### *Second Hand Rose Fashion Show & Chic Boutique!*

*June 17th*

*Contact Sandy Grant for more information*





## IMPORTANT ANNOUNCEMENTS:

- [St. Frances Cabrini Academy is now enrolling for the 2023-24 school year.](#)

Please contact the office (314) 776-0883 for additional information. During this season of prayer, fasting and alms giving, please know of our continued prayers for each of our parish communities. We wish you a blessed Lent.

- [Lenten Book Discussion on St Augustine's "Confessions"](#)

Join us as we delve into one of the most beloved Christian classics of all times: The Confessions of St Augustine. We will use Peter Kreeft's book, "I Burned for Your Peace" (available at Pauline Books) to guide our study. This work by Dr. Kreeft collects key passages and offers incisive commentary on them, making the "Confessions" accessible to any reader. Fr. John Johnson will lead our discussion meeting for six Tuesdays during Lent, [Feb. 23 - Mar. 30](#), 2-3 pm at Pauline Books & Media, 9804 Watson Rd. in Crestwood. Register at <https://forms.office.com/r/NeK0dagJGm> or call (314)965-3512

- [The Day Jesus Died: The Passion Narratives - National Shrine of Our Lady of the Snows - Visitors Center](#)

Presenter: Mark Etling, PhD on Saturdays [March 11, 18, 25 & April 1](#) @ 10 am - Noon

The passion and crucifixion of Jesus are at the heart of the Christian faith. We remember and reflect on them every year during Holy Week. However, what's less widely known are the differences in the Passion narratives in each of the four Gospels. Each Passion narrative has its own depiction of Jesus, and its own theological emphasis. In this four-part series, we will take a close look at each of the Passion narratives as we journey through Lent in anticipation of Easter Sunday.

Cost: \$40 for series or \$10 per session For more information, call (618)394-6281.

Register online at <https://snows.org/ministries/spiritual-programs/>

- [A Journey of Faith, Hope, & Healing](#)

Join the Association of the Miraculous Medal on a pilgrimage to Lourdes & Rome, April 14th - 21st 2023, with a post-tour to Medjugorje, [April 21st - 25th](#) 2023. In Lourdes, we will visit the site where Our Blessed Mother appeared to Bernadette Soubirous. While in Rome, we will visit Vatican City, the Holy Stairs, Trevi Fountain, the Vatican Museum & more. In Medjugorje, we will be at the site where six young visionaries began reporting visions of Mary, the Mother of Jesus, in 1981.

For more information or to sign up, visit [www.pilgrimages.com/amm/lourdesandrome/](http://www.pilgrimages.com/amm/lourdesandrome/)

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## Archdiocesan Lenten Regulations

“For God so loved the world that he gave his only Son, so that everyone who believes in him might not perish but might have eternal life. For God did not send his Son into the world to condemn the world, but that the world might be saved through him.” (John 3:16-17)

The Church has always helped us fulfill these words of Jesus by prescribing very definite penance for all Catholics, so that we might have Eternal Life. Accordingly, the Pope and the American Bishops have outlined obligatory fast and abstinence as follows:

**Ash Wednesday**  
(Feb. 22, 2023)

**All Fridays of Lent**  
(Feb. 22-April 6, 2023)

**Good Friday**  
(April 2, 2023)

These are days of abstinence (refraining from meat) for all Catholics from age 14 onwards. On Ash Wednesday and Good Friday we fast, as well as exercise abstinence from meat, is also obligatory for those ages 18-59. Abstinence means, one full meal a day, with two smaller meals and no snacking between meals, liquids are permitted. No Catholic will excuse him/herself from this obligation.

### Feast of St. Patrick (March 17, 2023)

This Feast Day falls on a Friday during Lent this year. Feasts of the Church are meant to be a day of rejoicing and celebration, so on this Friday, March 17, 2023, the faithful of the Archdiocese of St. Louis are omitted from abstaining from meat should they choose to celebrate the Feast of St. Patrick.




**Pick up a Rice Bowl in the PC Gathering Space and return the filled bowl in collection baskets at Mass Palm Sunday and Holy Thursday. Or return to the Parish Office.**

**ONLY \$1 A DAY**  
During Lent Means:

- ▲ 1 month of food for a family
- ▲ 2 years of seed for a farmer
- ▲ 1 emergency kit for refugees

75% OF GIFT SUPPORTS CRS' PROGRAMS AROUND THE WORLD.  
25% OF GIFT HELPS ALLEVIATE HUNGER AND POVERTY IN OUR LOCAL DIOCESE.



*Look around, if someone is missing from your pew, please reach out to Pat Poehling or Mary Koenig .*

# WORK DAY -at the- CHURCH

*Our parish is usually good at welcoming but our statues and seating have gotten a little dusty.*

## Will You Help?

*A cleaning celebration has been planned for the church on*

## Saturday April 1, 2023

## 9 am - 2 pm

The supplies are being rounded up but several cleaning “captains” could be very helpful for planning. Can you help all of us define what kind of “clean” we are striving for?

This is what is on the agenda



- \* Brass polishing
- \* Marble brightening
- \* Wood waxing
- \* Statue dusting
- \* Linoleum mopping
- \* Windowsill wiping



- \* Removing 175 years of dirt accumulated in 1000 cracks
- \* Hot dogs & Refreshments

Are you an expert user of “Pledge?” Have you always wanted to climb on top of an altar with a feather duster or do you know just about everything there is to know about getting brass to shine?

George Dennis is making the calls on our general approach but a captain will be necessary for several of these activities to answer questions and help us along on that day.

*We will be signing up workers for this event later this month but I need you to raise your hand and say if you are able to guide me and others in doing these jobs.*

Contact Greg Benken at (314) 452-4734 Email: [gjbenken@gmail.com](mailto:gjbenken@gmail.com) or call the Office.

# COMMUNAL & FIRST RECONCILIATION

*At St. Vincent de Paul Parish*

March 29, 2023  
7 pm



*Open to all Parishioners and Kids making  
their First Communion later this year!*