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.

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TWENTIETH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

AUGUST 20, 2017

Observe What Is Right; do What Is Just

(By Regina Siegfried, ASC)

What does it mean to do what is right and just? Who, besides our own selves, deserves that kind of treatment? What does it mean to look beyond the number one self, city, or nation? Glimmers of answers for these questions are hidden in the first reading from the prophet Isaiah and from the selection from the Gospel of Matthew.

Isaiah tells the people that the “foreigners who join themselves to the Lord” are God’s servants. Their prayer, worship, and faithfulness to the covenant enhance the “house of prayer for all peoples.” The Canaanite woman in the Gospel story is also a foreigner to the Jews of the time of Jesus. Canaanites were the outsiders, the “other,” the people held in suspicion and mistrust. Yet this woman, like the aliens in the passage from Isaiah, are people of faith. The Canaanite woman, glib of tongue and persistent in asking for a cure for her daughter, earns admiration from Jesus, who heals her daughter.

The lesson from these readings is not so much for the foreigners and Canaanites among us as it is for those of us who are established members of worshipping communities and residents and citizens of our cities and nation. We are the ones who are expected to “observe what is right and do what is just” in our welcoming and treatment of newcomers to our communities and city. Justice means right relationships; justice demands fairness for all, not only for long-time residents and members of any society. Love for all in the Body of Christ requires that all are welcome in this place. The immigrants, refugees, and poor among us help make a “house of prayer for all people” where all can be treated fairly, justly, and with a share of God’s infinite love.

Ponder:
♦ What is my attitude toward immigrants, refugees, and the poor?
♦ How do we as a parish “observe what is right and do what is just”?
♦ What more do we need to learn and do?

Do:
♦ Write to a legislator about fair immigration laws.
♦ Before you do that, read the bishops’ statements on immigration.
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

Parish Office Hours

Monday—Friday
8:30 am to 4:30 pm

Saturday
9:00 am to 4:00 pm

To register in the parish, contact the Parish Office at
314-231-9328

Readings-week of August 20th

Sunday: Isaiah 56:1, 6-7
Psalm 67:2-3, 5-6, 8
Romans 11:13-15, 29-32
Matthew 15:21-28

Monday: Judges 2:11-19
Psalm 106:34-37, 39-40, 43-44
Matthew 19:16-22

Tuesday: Judges 6:11-24
Psalm 85:9, 11-14
Matthew 19:23-30

Wednesday: Judges 9:6-15
Psalm 21:2-7
Matthew 20:1-16

Thursday: Revelation 21:9-14
Psalm 145:10-13, 17-18
John 1:45-51

Friday: Ruth 1:1, 3-6, 14-16, 22
Psalm 145:5-10
Matthew 22:34-40

Saturday: Ruth 2:1-3, 8-11; 4:13-17
Psalm 128:1-5
Matthew 23:1-12

Next Sunday: Isaiah 22:19-23
Psalm 138:1-3, 6, 8
Romans 11:33-36
Matthew 16:13-20

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FOR THE FOLLOWING, PLEASE CONTACT THE PARISH OFFICE AT 314-231-9328, mail@stvstl.org

BAPTISMS: For preparation and scheduling of infant baptisms, contact the office two months prior to desired baptismal date.

PARISH SCHOOL OF RELIGION: To enroll, contact Linda Mertz.

ST. FRANCES CABRINI ACADEMY: Our parish elementary school is St. Frances Cabrini Academy, located at 3022 Oregon Ave., St. Louis, MO 63118. For more information contact the school at (314)776-0883 or visit the website at www.cabriniacademy.org.

PREPARATION FOR FIRST COMMUNION AND RECONCILIATION: Contact Linda Mertz.

THE RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION FOR ADULTS (RCIA): If you are interested in learning more about the Catholic Church or joining the Catholic church, contact the parish office.

SACRAMENT OF MATRIMONY: Archdiocesan guidelines require engaged couples to contact a priest at least six months before the wedding takes place. Contact the office to schedule a meeting with Father Ed Murphy.

MEMBERSHIP: To become a member of St. Vincent’s Parish contact the office.

MEALS AND LUNCH WINDOW: Meals are served in the Parish Hall from 5 p.m. – 6 p.m. from the 22nd of every month through the first day of the following month. Volunteers arrive at 4:30 p.m. to set up. Lunches are served Monday through Saturday from 11am-1pm. Volunteers arrive at 10:30am. To help, contact Jim Votino.

FOOD PANTRY: The food pantry operates Tuesdays and Thursdays from 9a–2p and the third Saturday of each month 9:30a-noon. To volunteer, contact the office.

OTHER VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES: We welcome participation on parish committees and organizations, in the music ministry, in liturgy ministries, and with fundraisers. To volunteer, contact the office 314-231-9328 or mail@stvstl.org

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The Lord hears the cry of the Poor.

Mass Intentions

Saturday, August 19th
4:30p Catherine Right
Sunday, August 20th
9:00a Frank Vanek
11:00a People of Our Parish
Monday, August 21st
12:05p Jack Burton
Tuesday, August 22nd
12:05a Deborah Sinak
Wednesday, August 23rd
12:05p Joseph Limmer
Thursday, August 24th
12:05p Adam Ragsdale
Friday, August 25th
12:05p Joseph Lubbers
Saturday, August 26th
4:30p People of Our Parish
Sunday, August 27th
9:00a Rich Viola
11:00a Vera Finch

THE BULLETIN DEADLINE

Monday at Noon
You can submit requests to the parish office or email:
bulletin@stvstl.org
Holidays may alter this schedule.
those who are sick & their CAREGIVERS:
Julianne Zurfluh Alford
John Barton
Diane Bashirian
Greg Bear
Margie Benninger
Michelle Bixler
Dillon Blades
Nancy Bocklage
Dwain Bollinger
Peter Bonebakker
Elisabeth Boone
Larry Boyd
Bob Bujnak, Jr.
Bob Bujnak, Sr.
John Burkhart
Pat Casey
Wayne Casey
Noel Cason
Marcella Cobb
Josephine Conorino
Ann Cramer
JoAnn Deane
Vince Domagalski
Donna
Terry Etling
Gabriele S.
Lorraine Gerke
Margie Grinstead
Emily Hamil
Suzanne Hecht
Kate Hentz
Beth Karp
Joe Kelley
Chris Kerlick
Val King
Rachel Kluba-Gibbs
Robert Kunkel
Mike Lamb
Art Lampe
Tom Lane
Ann Laney
John Linstead
Mary Helen Malle
Tom Malle
Karen Manson
Dorothy McFerren
Tom Meissner
Delores Morfia
Tyler Nash
Bob Poklacki
Joyce Ralston
George Reed
Bill Reitz
Morris Rideout
Jerry Rieder
Marvin Roberts
Mary Ann Ryan
Dan & Finn S.
Jordan Schroeder
Sandra Short
Dorothy Smith
Special Person
Angie Stanard
Mike Stewart
Jan Swederska
Chris Thomas
Ralph Vaterott
Larry Volk
Larry Zeide
Chris Zimmer

the repose of the soul of:
Lucky Van de Gejuchte,, friend of Joan Stanard.

May God welcome him home, bless those who mourn his loss and fill them with peace in their time of sorrow.

those who are in need of special prayer, especially those serving in the armed forces:
Brian Faulkner
James Hutcheson
Jordan Lewis
Nina Murphy’s family
Ryan Wittenauer

all those who allow us to serve them at the clothing window, Let’s Start, meals, and the sandwich window.

those celebrating birthdays this week:
21 Jeanne Fusselman
21 Julia Naunheim
23 Lance Berra
21 Julia Naunheim
23 John Wood
24 Nina Bryans
24 Sonya Hunt
25 Alec Schicker
25 Grace Volz
27 Nona Alderson
27 Brooke Martin

WHAT DID POPE FRANCIS SAY?
“Peace is not something which can be bought or sold; peace is a gift to be sought patiently and to be “crafted” through the actions, great and small, of our everyday lives.”

St. Vincent’s Church candle offering is $5. Please drop your offering in the slot of the pedestal stationed to the left of the candles.

Thank You!

Please notify the parish office if you become hospitalized. Due to HIPAA regulations, the hospitals no longer provide this service. Also, please notify us if the person you put on the prayer list for healing has improved so that we can remove their name from the list. Names are removed after one month if we don’t hear from you.
MUSIC FOR THIS WEEKEND

Saturday, August 26th
4:30pm

- There’s a Wideness in God’s Mercy
  (BB #475/ GC #626)
- Mass of St Frances Cabrini (BB #906 - 911)
- Many and One (BB #415)
- We Are Called (BB #616/ GC #718)

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Sunday, August 27th
9:00am

Saint Vincent’s Outreach Program
What We Can Do For You...
- Bring communion to the sick
- Bring meals during a crisis
- Bring communion to the families of the sick or dying
- Will make home visits for those who are homebound when requested
- Will make hospital visits
- Call: 314-231-9328

LOOK WHAT’S HAPPENING AT ST. VINCENT’S

Tuesday, August 22nd
9:00a  Food Pantry
12:00p  Clothing Window
5:00p  Meals
6:30p  Let’s Start

Wednesday, August 23rd
5:00p  Meals

Thursday, August 24th
8:00a  Mass at Cabrini
9:00a  Food Pantry
10:00a  Senior Bingo
5:00p  Meals

Friday, August 25th
1:00p-5:00p  Eucharistic Adoration
5:00p  Meals
6:00p  French Mass

Saturday, August 26th
5:00p  Meals
Family Faith Formation Corner

Thanks to everyone for their kind words as I step into this new role at the parish. I couldn't be more excited about the opportunity to work with children and families at St. Vincent's. I'm grateful especially to Linda Mertz for all her years of service and her helpfulness during this transition.

We're a small parish, but we do have a growing number of new families with school-aged children. We want to teach to both the hearts and the minds of our parish's young people. We want our children to feel deeply connected to their church: its people, its worship, its service to people who are poor.

In order to accomplish these goals, St. Vincent's will be trying a different model of faith formation.

Rather than children attending weekly classes between masses, parents and children will meet together monthly, for a longer period of time. Parents will have a chance to form community with each other, deepen their own spirituality and receive resources to continue sharing their faith at home. Children will spend part of the time praying with their family and doing activities together, and part of the time learning from a parish catechist. But, most of their religious education comes from their family, in the home, with resources that we provide. This form of religious education is called “Family Faith Formation” and is based on the Catholic Church's belief that parents are the “first preachers of the faith” (Lumen Gentium) and their children's “primary and principal educators” (Gravissimum Educationis).

If you're interested in this model of religious education for your family, let's talk more. Please feel free to email me at Christy.toben@gmail.com and let's arrange a time for a call or chat over coffee.

The Food Pantry is in need of:
- Beans: canned or dry
- Chili
- Mixed Vegetable

Thank you for whatever you can donate.

WELCOME TO ST. VINCENT DEPAUL PARISH
If you are not currently registered and wish to join the parish, please complete this form and place it in the collection basket or send it to the Parish office, 1408 S. 10th St. Louis, MO 63104. A registration form will be mailed to you. You may request a form by calling 314-231-9328 or email: karen@stvstl.org

NAME________________________________PHONE________________________________
ADDRESS________________________________________CITY/ZIP____________________
Our 33rd Annual Golf Tournament will be held on Monday, September 18th at Greenbriar Hills Country Club. Registration is now open on our website at stvsl.org

The cost is $150 per player or $600 for a foursome. Sponsorship opportunities are also available. Please consider sponsoring a hole for $100. This can be done as a family or in recognition/memory of a loved one. Further details can be found on our website or by contacting the church office: 314-231-9328 or email: stvstlevents@gmail.com

Don’t procrastinate in registering as the teams sell out fast.

THANK YOU to Dick Poehling and all who helped him get school supplies ready for delivery to those in need. Thank you to all of you who donated supplies also.

INTERESTED IN BRINGING HOLY COMMUNION TO THE HOMEBOUND?
Some parishioners are no longer able to come to Sunday Mass on a regular basis. Others might temporarily be unable to be with us in our worship space on Sunday. However, these conditions need not prevent them from a vibrant participation in the source and summit of our lives as Christians which is the Holy Eucharist. If you have a desire to help the homebound maintain their connection to Christ and His Church, please come to a meeting on Sunday, August 27th, from 10:15 to 10:45 in the large classroom. Deacon Terry will explain what is entailed in a commitment to serve as a Communion Minister to the Homebound and answer questions you might have before deciding to undertake this ministry. If you will not be at St. Vincent De Paul Parish on that Sunday but would like to serve in this ministry, please speak with Deacon Terry personally or contact him at tcollins113@stlcc.edu.

LAFAYETTE PARK CONCERT SERIES
SATURDAY EVENINGS 6-9PM

Parish Fun Nights at the park. Bring a lawn chair and food to share. We set up in the southeast corner of the park.

AUGUST 26th MISS JUBILEE
SEPTEMBER 9th JEREMIAH JOHNSON BAND
Open Invitation

Saturday, September 30th the Ladies of Charity of the St. Louis Archdiocese are gathering for RETREAT at St. Vincent’s Parish 1408 S.10th Street St. Louis, MO 63104. In honor of our 400th anniversary of the Vincentian Charism, we will be meeting at the site of the original Ladies’ association in the U. S. Sister Claire Debes, D.C., National Spiritual Advisor of the Ladies, will join us to facilitate our day. Her title is: “Celebrating and Reclaiming our Spirit: 400 Years Serving People Living in Poverty”.
We urge all Ladies of Charity and anyone interested in learning more about our ministry to attend. For more information contact Joan Stanard: joanstanard@yahoo.com

SAVE THE DATE

The Ladies of Charity will hold their annual Kathy Coco Pound the Pavement walk on October 14th.