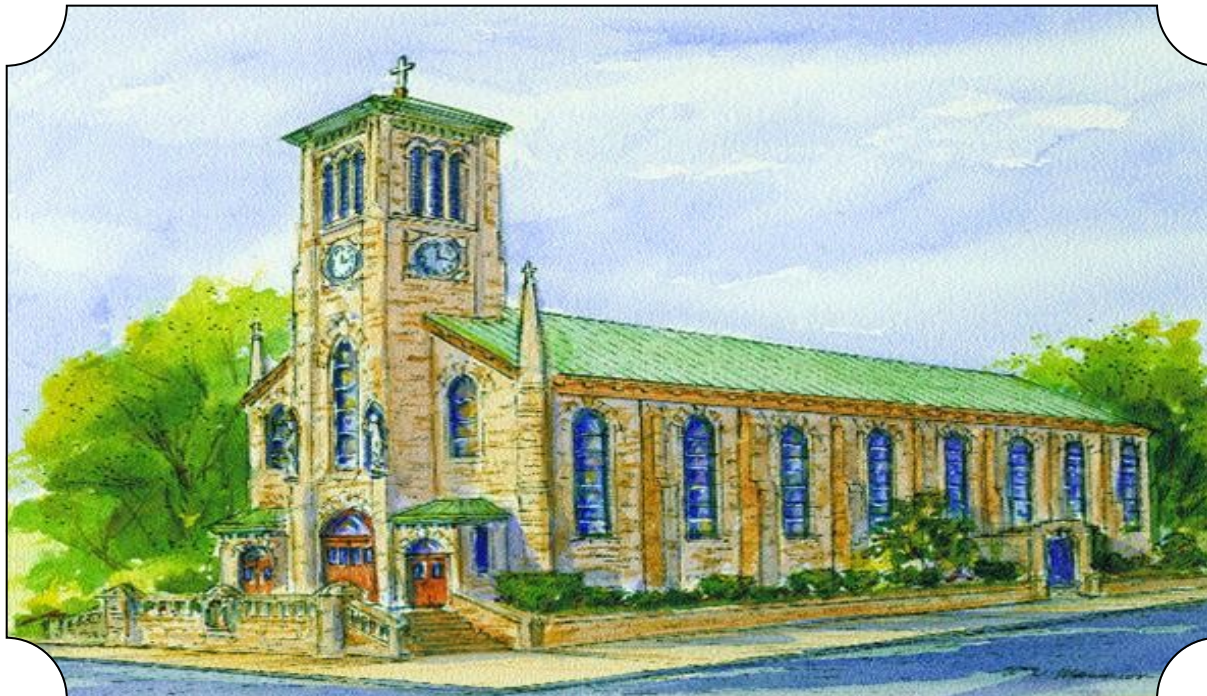


# St. Vincent Church



Thirty-Second Sunday of Ordinary Time

November 6, 2011

## Rectory

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## Bulletin Deadline:

***12:00 Noon Monday in Writing***

**Masses:** **Saturday Vigil:** 5:00 PM • **Sunday:** 7:00, 9:00 and 11:00 AM

**Weekdays:** 6:30 AM • **Saturday:** 6:30 AM

**Holy Days:** 6:30, 9:00 AM and 5:30 PM

**Confessions:** Saturday: 11:00 to 12:00 Noon and Thursday before First Friday; 3:30-4:30 PM

**Eucharistic Holy Hour:** Wednesday: 7:00 - 8:00 PM

**Rosary:** Saturday at 4:40 PM

**Parish Registration:** New Parishioners are most welcome and should register at the rectory as soon as possible. If moving out of the parish, please notify the rectory.

**Baptisms:** It is necessary that parents attend a Baptism Preparation Program before the Baptism of their first child. Baptism Preparation classes can be completed at either St. Hilary (Sr. Marlene, 330-867-1055) or at St. Sebastian (Marival Ciarlariello, 330-730-6652). Call either parish for times and registration details. Proof of attendance should be presented to St. Vincent Church prior to the baptism.

**Marriages:** Couples intending to marry should call at the rectory at least SIX MONTHS prior to the marriage. It is required to have copies of Baptism, First Communion and Confirmation records, if these Sacraments are not received at St. Vincent. Wedding times on Saturday are at 12:00 Noon or 2:00 PM.

**Parish School of Religion (PSR) Pre-School - 8th:** Classes are September through May. Classes are held in St. Vincent Grade School on Sundays from 10:15 AM to 11:15 AM.

**Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (Convert Classes):** Classes begin in September. For information, call 330-535-3135.

**Hospital/Sick/Shut-in Visitation :** Please notify the Rectory when a parishioner is hospitalized, shut-in or ill.

**Funerals:** Please notify a Priest as soon as possible regarding arrangements, either personally or through the funeral director.

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### Masses for the Week

**SATURDAY, November 5, 2011**  
5:00 PM Joseph Suplita

**SUNDAY, November 6 \*32nd Sunday in Ordinary Time**  
**\*Daylight Savings Time Ends**  
7:00 Isabelle O'Connor—Birthday  
9:00 Michelle Ballard  
11:00 Loretta Lefevre

**MONDAY, November 7**  
6:30 Paul Stroempl

**TUESDAY, November 8**  
6:30 Living & Deceased Members of the Holy Name Society

**WEDNESDAY, November 9 \* The Dedication of the Lateran Basilica in Rome**  
6:30 Anthony DiSalvo—Birthday  
7:00 PM Holy Hour in Church

**THURSDAY, November 10 \* Saint Leo the Great, pope and doctor of the Church**  
6:30 All Souls



**FRIDAY, November 11 \* Saint Martin of Tours, bishop \* Veteran's Day**  
6:30 Kenneth Morris



**SATURDAY, November 12 \* Saint Josaphat, bishop and martyr**  
6:30 Richard Nichols  
5:00 Edward Medves—Birthday

**SUNDAY, November 13 \* 33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time \* Stewardship Sunday**  
7:00 Christopher Alan Caudill  
9:00 Maureen Maloy Morris  
11:00 Ned Heslop— Anniversary



**COLLECTION FOR SUNDAY, OCTOBER 30, 2011**  
**Thanks for your Support!**

Weekly Budget .....	\$ 15, 000.00
Collection of October 30 .....	\$8,271.94
Children's Envelopes .....	\$41.42
E-Give .....	\$1,095.00

**THANK YOU!**

### KRAKER'S KORNER

#### MASS CHANGES



We are on schedule to begin the changes in the Mass on the First Sunday of Advent. The new Gather hymnals have arrived and we will place them in the pews for that weekend, November 27. The changes consist primarily of a new translation of the Latin text, and there will be a pew card available to make it easy to make the responses according to the new text. There will also be some textual changes in the parts of the Mass we sing, and these we will be able to learn rather quickly, since we will be singing the same Mass we are familiar with. I'm confident that in a few weeks it will all seem very easy.

#### THANKSGIVING

Once again we will be joining with the Churches in our area for a Thanksgiving Prayer Service on Thanksgiving Eve at 7:00 p.m. This year the service will be held at the Community Church on Marshall Ave. This is always a wonderful opportunity to worship together and meet new friends. For the first time, our new parish partner, St. Bernard-St. Mary, will be joining us.

#### STEWARDSHIP SUNDAY

This Sunday you will have an opportunity to offer your time and talent to serve our Parish at the Ministry Fair in Corrigan Hall between the 9:00 and 11:00 Masses. Next Sunday I will speak at all the Masses about offering your Treasure.

I am going to suggest a different emphasis on our traditional approach to supporting our Church and our school. I am becoming more convinced that depending only on the envelopes we collect at Mass is no longer effective in meeting our Parish's needs. At a time when more Catholics attended Mass each week, the system we now have was adequate and we were able to support our Parish with the Sunday collection. Times are different now.

If you have been attending Mass regularly, I don't have to tell you that weekly Mass attendance continues to decline. In the time I've been here, our weekend attendance has dipped from over 1100 to over 700 people. And we have added 300 families to our parish in the same time period!

This trend is true throughout the United States and consequently, we need to revisit the way we support our

**NEW GATHER HYMNALS ARE ARRIVING SOON!** We are in need of your help and support. As our Gather Hymnal books have been in use for 15 years, we have purchased 350 new Gather Hymnals valued at approximately \$20.00 each. These hymnals will include the changes in the Order of the Mass. To help defray the cost of our new parish hymnals, we are asking our parishioners to donate a ‘book/s’ as a “Gift” in memory or honor of a loved one, family or friend. For your convenience there are white donation envelopes located at each Church entrance. *Thank you for considering a donation toward the purchase of our new hymnals.*

**PLEASE PRAY FOR** the repose of the souls of Janet Hanrahan and Robert C. Murray. May their souls and all the souls of the faithful departed rest in the peace and joy of the Lord.



**CONGRATULATIONS** to Elise Noelle Ambrisco, daughter of Alan and Bridget Ambrisco, who will be baptized at 12:00 p.m. on Sunday, November 6, 2011.



**Thirty-second Sunday  
in Ordinary Time  
November 6, 2011**

Stay awake, for you know neither the day nor the hour.

— *Matthew 25:13*

**EXPECTING THE UNEXPECTED**

If it ever crossed your mind that Jesus was somewhat lacking in a sense of humor, today’s Gospel should belie any such notion. Jesus’ story of the five wise and five foolish bridesmaids is downright hilarious. The circumstances of the story were surely familiar to Jesus’ listeners, just as they are—if we think about it—to us. Weddings never, *never* start on time. There’s always a delay. Buttons pop off at the last minute. Flowers wilt. Cars full of wedding guests get caught in traffic. Soloists contract laryngitis. Brides or grooms or priests show up late! So the only reasonable way to approach a wedding is with a sense of humor, to realize that something probably will go awry, and, when that happens, to smile about it. Jesus tells this funny story to encourage us to be watchful, yes; to be ready, yes. But he doesn’t tell it to make us dour and somber. The heavy-hearted tremble, waver, lose sight of their place and purpose, and fall asleep. The lighthearted know that the unexpected will happen—is bound to happen—so they are awake in their place and ready in their purpose when it comes. © Copyright, J. S. Paluch Co.

**ROOTED IN FAITH CAMPAIGN** Please note that the Rooted in Faith office will not be contacting anyone regarding donations until a few weeks before your payment is due (based on your requested time to be billed). For example: if you made a request to be billed quarterly, you

should be hearing from them soon. However, if you requested to be billed annually, you will not be contacted until May of 2012. If you have any questions, please contact Deacon Mike at 330-535-3135 ext. 17.

**READINGS FOR THE WEEK**


**Monday:** Wis 1:1-7; Lk 17:1-6  
**Tuesday:** Wis 2:23 — 3:9; Lk 17:7-10  
**Wednesday:** Ez 47:1-2, 8-9, 12; Ps 46; 1 Cor 3:9c-11, 16-17; Jn 2:13-22  
**Thursday:** Wis 7:22b — 8:1; Lk 17:20-25  
**Friday:** Wis 13:1-9; Lk 17:26-37  
**Saturday:** Wis 18:14-16; 19:6-9; Lk 18:1-8  
**Sunday:** Prv 31:10-13, 19-20, 30-31; Ps 128; 1 Thes 5:1-6; ; Mt 25:14-30 [14-15, 19-21]

**FAMILY PERSPECTIVES**

Today Jesus tells us to “Stay awake for you know neither the day nor the hour”. Family crises are just like this. They can’t be put on our calendar like an appointment... they just happen. We must be ready and responsive to family members in need. By responding promptly with faith and hope, God will provide wisdom and strength.

For the courage to act promptly with faith and hope to address any problem facing our families. *Let us pray to the Lord*

**R.C.I.A CLASS** will meet on Monday, November 7, 2011 at 7:00 in the Scullen Meeting room. The topic will be “What Catholics Believe”

**THANKSGIVING FOOD COLLECTION:**  
 The St. Vincent de Paul Society is in need of the following items to provide baskets for those in need for our Thanksgiving packing on November 18. Along with our normal items:

crackers, stews & chili, canned meats, peanut butter, jelly, soups, macaroni & cheese, potato mixes, pasta, and sauce. Please remember these when you are shopping for the holidays: stuffing mix, turkey gravy, cranberry sauce, canned pumpkin, evaporated milk, pie crust mix, muffin mix, and cereal. Due to a great number of those in need, Father Kraker has asked the St. Vincent de Paul Society and Auxiliary to increase the number of bags we pack from 25 to 30. Thank you for your continued support as we increase our donations.

**OFFICE OF DEVELOPMENT** It has been suggested that every family make a pledge to support our parish, and the suggested amount is \$1000. That sounds like a lot, because it is, and not everyone is able to make such a pledge. \$1000 (\$20) a week may be something to aim for, but the important thing is that we make a pledge, and any pledge will be welcome. Please continue to think and pray about this, as we approach Stewardship Sunday on November 20th. Deacon Mike Stabilla—Director of Development.

**ALTAR SOCIETY:** Come visit the St. Vincent Altar Society table at the Ministry Fair today. See how you can help our Parish by becoming a member of the 300 Club, be a captain, help with Caring Parishioners who prepare funeral meals for parishioners, be a Church Cleaner once a month, join the Bridge Flight, help decorate the Church for Christmas and Easter--come join us--be a member today!!!

**ALTAR SOCIETY 300 CLUB DRAWING FOR OCTOBER** Congratulations to last month's winners: Karen Manna, Sally Longville, Lisa Dannemiller, Dorothy Champion, and Kathy Belany Devus. The next drawing will be November 30th!

**ALTAR SOCIETY ANNUAL CHRISTMAS DINNER** will be held in Corrigan Hall on Saturday, December 3, 2011. Mark your calendars for a relaxing evening with fellow parishioners and friends. \$20.00 per person provides an evening of tasty food provided by 2 Hungry Sisters, and entertainment by the Firestone High School Madrigal Singers, an open bar (21 and over please). Stop by our table at the Ministry Fair and sign up to attend, or call Donna Warner 330-864-9618, Doris Schubert 330-630-2349, or Eileen Moats 330-869-9618. Prepaid reservations are due by 11-27-11.



**THE GINGERBREAD CHRISTMAS CRAFT SHOW** will take place *Saturday, November 12, 2011 from 9:00 am to 3:00 pm at St. Vincent Grade School. Admission to the Craft Show is Free.* It is sponsored by the Parents' Association and will feature beautiful

crafts, delicious home cooked food on the lunch menu, a bake sale and a raffle. There is still time to book a table. Please call Jill Fulkerson at 330-836-9918 for more information.



**K OF C PANCAKE BREAKFAST** "Come join the St. Vincent Knights of Columbus for our Annual Pancake Breakfast and Ministry Fair today, Sunday, November 6, from 7:00 a.m. until 1:00 p.m. in Corrigan Hall. Admission is free but donations will be accepted at the door. There will also be a raffle for prizes and other fun, including a poster contest by some of our grade school children. Come enjoy some delicious pancakes and consider fun ways to serve our parish."

**MARKET DAY NEWS:** We'd like to welcome new and returning Market Day supporters! Help us earn up to 45% profit when you purchase Cookie Dough through Market Day in December! Plus, get a free trial size Kraft Mac and Cheese with any grocery purchase AND a Free pound of Meatballs with any \$90.00 online purchase and promo

code DECBONUS. Please look for your December order guides or visit marketday.com to order today and learn more. Also Frequent Buyer's Earn a FREE Insulated Bag! Make two purchases of \$40.00 between October and December. Then place a third order of \$40.00 in January to receive a FREE Insulated Bag at your January sale Pick up. Pick up date is Saturday, December 3 from 12:30 to 1:30 p.m., to school by Wed 11/23 late calls to Lidia by Nov 26th (330) 620-3787. Internet orders by 11p.m. Tues. Nov. 29th. Account No. 12928

**THE GIVING TREE:** The Christmas Giving Tree will be on the altar for two weeks beginning Saturday, November 19. If you are able, please take a tag and purchase a gift to share. Unwrapped gifts and/or gift cards should be returned to the altar **no later than Sunday, December 4<sup>th</sup>**. There will be more, specific information on flyers in the pews as the date grows closer. If you have questions, suggestions, or can volunteer some time to this ministry of our Church, please contact Joanne Bruegman at 330.414.0380 and/or Joanne@toyscouts.com. Thank you!

**PARISH COUNCIL:** Are you interested in getting involved with other St. Vincent parishioners in helping to lead the way to an even more vibrant parish community for everyone? Then think seriously about running for one of the five at-large positions on Parish Council for the 2012-2013 term that begins in December. Nomination forms will be available starting on November 6 at the Ministry Fair in Corrigan Hall. Visit the Parish Council table to pick up a form and get answers to any questions you may have. Nomination forms will also be available in the Church entrances on November 13. **Self nomination is encouraged!** In order to be eligible for Parish Council you must be a registered parishioner, at least 18 years of age and a baptized, practicing Catholic. Monthly meetings are held on the third Thursday of the month at 6:30 pm September through June. Perhaps God is calling you to this special ministry to work closely with our pastor, the spiritual leader of the parish; with his pastoral staff, and with the other members of Parish Council on the spiritual and practical needs facing the parish community. Parish Council elections will be conducted at all the Masses during the November 27 & 28 weekend. All nomination forms must be returned by November 18. All nominees will be contacted by a Parish Council member to confirm their interest in serving prior to the election. Nomination forms may be returned in the collection basket or turned in at the rectory.

### **BE PREPARED**

We ought not to be sanguine about anything; the right rule is to hope nothing, to fear nothing, to expect nothing, to be prepared for everything.—John Henry Cardinal Newman

## FEAST OF FAITH Concluding Rites

The Prayer after Communion gives us a glimpse of the heavenly banquet, of which we have had a foretaste in the Eucharist. The concluding rites speak of what we are to do with this great gift of God. That includes the parish announcements, which are usually given following the Prayer after Communion. Believe it or not, the announcements, which are not an “official” part of the Mass, have been included in the Mass from as early as the fifth century! The deacon or the homilist—even the bishop—would announce coming liturgical celebrations and encourage the people to participate. Today’s parish announcements include opportunities for prayer, service, learning, and community building. They should be succinct and should include only significant events and activities in the life of the parish. But even when they are long and tedious, the announcements (and the parish bulletin) flow out of the concluding rites of the Mass. They offer us ways to live the Eucharist, to become become what we have received—the Body of Christ, living and active in our local community.

—Corinna Laughlin, © Copyright, J. S. Paluch Co.

### Youth Ministry News

#### Junior High and Senior High

**November 6 – St. Vincent Ministry Fair** St. Vincent in Corrigan Hall 10:00 a.m. - 12:30 p.m. Come see what groups and activities St. Vincent parish offers for parents and teens. All are welcome!

**19 - Christ Child Society Boutique** Hilton Akron/Fairlawn (across from Summit Mall). Please arrive at the Hilton at 3:00 p.m. and go downstairs. Volunteers will be packing up items to load into truck and transport to Christ Child Center. We need 7 parent/child teams to help Please call to be added to list!

**20 - St. Vincent Youth Mass** St. Vincent Church 11:00 a.m. Music group arrive at 10:30 a.m.

**21 - 8<sup>th</sup> grade Confirmation Meeting - Living the Faith** St. Sebastian Church 7:00-8:00 p.m. Music group will rehearse 6:00-7:00 p.m.

#### Junior High

**10 - Teen Topic Night - Cliques and Gossiping** St. Vincent Scullen Room 6-8 p.m. Dinner provided.

**15, 17 - St. Sebastian Leaf Removal** 2:45-4:30 p.m. Meet in Zwisler Hall after school and bring a change of clothes. Snacks provided.

**Senior High Peer Ministry Music Practice** Mondays Nov. 7, 14 -St. Sebastian Music room 7:00-8:30 p.m.

**16 - Movie Night - Lourdes** St. Vincent Scullen Room 6:00-8:00 p.m. Dinner provided.

#### Call Cathy Sivec with questions

St. Sebastian- 330 836-2233 ext 134

St. Vincent- 330 535-3135 ext. 11

Email at [SivecC@stsebastian.org](mailto:SivecC@stsebastian.org)

[cathy@stvincentchurch.com](mailto:cathy@stvincentchurch.com)

**Prayers of the People for Clusters of Occupations (Cluster 24)** That the daily work of those who are **clergy and religious** may transform our suffering world into a place of love, justice, and peace.

**OUR LADY OF THE ELMS HIGH SCHOOL** invites you to attend our Open House next Sunday, November 13th from noon - 2:30 p.m. Meet our outstanding faculty and learn more about the Elms and how our Class of 2011 earned over \$6.7 million in scholarships! All are welcome! 8<sup>th</sup> grade girls: Register to take the one remaining fall 2011 Elms scholarship/entrance exam scheduled for Saturday, November 19<sup>th</sup> from 9 a.m. – noon by visiting [www.theelms.org](http://www.theelms.org) or by calling 330-867-0918. Our small class sizes provide a world of opportunity for girls to succeed. We learn like girls...try to keep up!

**ST. VINCENT-ST. MARY HIGH SCHOOL** Scholarship/Placement Test for 8<sup>th</sup> graders will be given on **Saturday, November 19**. The test will begin at 8:30 a.m. Please contact 330.253.9113 or visit our website at [www.stvm.com](http://www.stvm.com) to pre-register for this test. The top 30 scorers on the Scholarship/Placement Test will EACH receive a \$10,000 academic scholarship to STVM!

**ARCHBISHOP HOBAN HIGH SCHOOL** invites all 8th grade students to take our Placement Test exam on Saturday, November 12, 2011. Testing will begin at 8:30 a.m. Students may pre-register by calling the admissions office at 330-773-6658 or register at [www.hoban.org](http://www.hoban.org). There is a \$20.00 test fee. Students and families interested in Archbishop Hoban High School are invited to an Open House on Thursday, Nov. 17, from 6:00-8:00 p.m. Tour the school, meet our outstanding faculty, staff and coaches, and learn more about a Holy Cross education. Hoban’s Night of Excellence will also be on Thursday Nov. 17 from 6:00-8:00 p.m. for those interested in learning more about the AP and Honors Program at Hoban. Students and teachers will be available to answer questions and examples of student’s work will be on display.

#### [prayerchainstv@aol.com](mailto:prayerchainstv@aol.com)

Our Prayer Warriors are ready and willing to pray for your requests!

Please submit your petitions to:  
[prayerchainstv@aol.com](mailto:prayerchainstv@aol.com)

And if you would like to volunteer to be a Prayer Warrior send an email to let us know.

**PARENT PREPARATION BAPTISM CLASS:** The next parent preparation class for the baptism of infants (birth to age 7) will be on Monday, November 14, 2011 at St. Sebastian in Byrider Hall 3&4 at 7:00 p.m. This is a requirement for all parents wishing to have their child baptized at St. Vincent Parish. Please call Marival Ciarlariello at 330-730-6652 for more information.