

# SAINT VINCENT



November 15, 2009

Thirty-Third Sunday of Ordinary Time

## 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, 330-865-5905). 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 14, 2009

5:00 PM Elizabeth Kraker—Anniversary

#### SUNDAY, November 15 \* 33rd Sunday in Ordinary

##### Time

- 7:00 Jerry O'Neil
- 9:00 Maureen Dolan
- 11:00 Betty Sharpe Rector



#### MONDAY, November 16 \* St. Margaret of Scotland and St. Gertrude

6:30 Catherine and Jim Tallon



#### TUESDAY, November 17 \* St. Elizabeth of Hungary

6:30 All Souls

#### WEDNESDAY, November 18 \* Dedication of the Basilicas of Peter & Paul, St. Rose Philippine Duchesne

6:30 Michael Gentner, Birthday

#### 7:00 PM Holy Hour in Church



#### THURSDAY, November 19

6:30 Mass For Our Parishioners

#### FRIDAY, November 20

- 6:30 Living & deceased members of St. Vincent Class of 1944
- 8:15 Barbara Dilley-Thorpe

#### SATURDAY, November 21 \* Presentation of the Blessed Virgin Mary

6:30 Greg Sheeks  
5:00 PM Ned Heslop—Anniversary



#### SUNDAY, November 22 \* Our Lord Jesus Christ the King

- 7:00 Rita Cardone—Birthday
- 9:00 Living and deceased Members of the Holy Name Society
- 11:00 Sister Peter Claver—Birthday



**COLLECTION FOR  
SUNDAY, November 8, 2009  
Thanks for your Support!**

Weekly Budget.....	\$ 15, 500.00
Collection of November 8.....	\$12,032.11
Children's Envelopes .....	\$52.24

**THANK YOU!**

### KRUMBS FROM THE KRAKER-BARREL

#### SEIZE THE MOMENT



Now what do you want, Minnie?  
I brought you this ball. I thought you might like to play a little catch.  
Can't you see I'm busy, Minnie? I can't stop and play with you every time you bring a ball in here.

You make it sound like that's all I do, boss.  
Just what else do you do, Minnie? I haven't noticed.  
Lots of things. I go outside and guard against intruders.

Those aren't intruders, Minnie. They are our visitors.  
I have to admit I don't have that down yet, boss, but I'm working on it. There's just so much to learn about this job. Sometimes it makes my head swim.

Keep working at it, Minnie. You have a lot of time to learn.

That's just it, boss. I don't have that much time.

What do you mean? I don't know what else you have to do, unless you consider playing catch as part of your job.

No, of course I don't, boss. That's how I take my mind off all the other worries and responsibilities. You have no idea, boss, of all the duties required of a church dog. If you understood a little better, you would see why I have so little time to learn. It all comes at you so fast.

I guess you're right, Minnie, but you're still young and you have many years to absorb all the lessons you need to master.

Not so fast, there, boss. You're right: I am still young, but that doesn't mean I have as much time as you seem to think.

What do you mean, Minnie?

I mean that we dogs don't have as long a life span as you people do. What I'm saying is, that we don't live so long. We have to make use of every living moment we have to do all the things we need to do and still enjoy life as much as we can.

Is that why you never seem to rest? Just watching you run from one thing to another is enough to wear me out. I don't know where you get all that energy.

That's it, boss. I know how blessed I am to have landed in this place, and I'm enjoying every minute of it, but I also know that I don't have unlimited minutes.

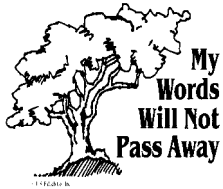
None of us do, Minnie. Maybe I could learn a few things from you about using well the minutes I have.

That's the spirit, boss. Here, catch!



II Dr. Matthew Stonestreet and Claire Misra, St. Vincent

**THANKSGIVING ECUMENICAL SERVICE:** On Wednesday evening, November 25, at 7:00 p.m., there will be an Ecumenical Prayer Service at St. Vincent Church. The Churches and Synagogue in our neighborhood will participate. Rabbi Robert Feinberg will give the reflection. Please mark you calendars and plan to attend.



**33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time  
November 15, 2009**

Heaven and earth will pass away, but  
my words will not pass away.  
—Mark 13:31

**ENCOURAGEMENT**

This Sunday's Gospel is our final selection from Mark for this liturgical year. It is taken from the end of Jesus' teaching in Jerusalem immediately preceding the account of his arrest and passion. In it Jesus gives his disciples hope to sustain them through his passion and death and any persecution or suffering that they would encounter after his resurrection.

The words from the book of Daniel also provided hope and encouragement to the people of Daniel's time. The encouragement in these scriptures is meant for us as well, for none of us will escape tribulation in our lives. Followers of Jesus will be able to endure suffering with joyful hope, knowing that Christ's love will lead us along the way of discipleship and give us eternal life with God. (c) Copyright, J. S. Paluch Co.



**FAMILY PERSPECTIVES**

Today's gospel speaks about the end of time. Our lives are filled with endings. They usually come before we are ready for them. All of these small endings are preparing us for the final ending of our life.

Let's be thankful for the present moment, celebrate and embrace it. Yet we must also be ready to let go of it, for only when we do are we able to embrace the next.

That families grieving the loss of a loved one may find peace in the promise of eternal life and be consoled by the memories of loving times spent together. **Let us pray to the Lord.**

**HOPE** If you do not hope, you will not find what is beyond your hopes. — St. Clement

**THE FUTURE** The future starts today, not tomorrow. — Pope John Paul II

**READINGS FOR THE WEEK**

**Monday:** 1 Mc 1:10-15, 41-43, 54-57, 62-63; Lk 18:35-43  
**Tuesday:** 2 Mc 6:18-31; Lk 19:1-10  
**Wednesday:** 2 Mc 7:1, 20-31; Lk 19:11-28 or (for the memorial of the Dedication) Acts 28:11-16, 30-31; Mt 14:22-23  
**Thursday:** 1 Mc 2:15-29; Lk 19:41-44  
**Friday:** 1 Mc 4:36-37, 52-59; Lk 19:45-48  
**Saturday:** 1 Mc 6:1-13; Lk 20:27-40  
**Sunday:** Dn 7:13-14; Ps 93; Rv 1:5-8; Jn 18:33b-37

**SECOND COLLECTION NEXT WEEKEND** For nearly 40 years, the Catholic Campaign for Human Development (CCHD) has embodied Catholic social teaching through pursuing justice and upholding the dignity of the human person. CCHD funds community projects led by low-income individuals. As more Americans feel the weight of the economic crisis, CCHD needs your support in next week's Collection more than ever. Thank you for your generosity.

**RCIA CLASS** will meet on Monday, November 16 in the Scullen Meeting Room in the Family Centre from 7:00 to 8:30 p.m. The topic for this week's class is "The Church".

**ST. VINCENT'S ALTAR SOCIETY** will meet on Monday, November 16, in the Math Classroom at 7:00 p.m. in the Family Centre. **We need you, come give us a try!**

**Thanksgiving Baskets** **ST. VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY AND AUXILLARY** On Friday, November 20, we are packing baskets for the families in our parish with special needs. Our pantry is in need of: stuffing mix, boxed mashed potatoes, canned turkey gravy, corn or other muffin mixes, canned meats, 1 lb. boxes of pasta or spaghetti, canned spaghetti sauce, chunky soups, canned frostings, cake mixes, pumpkin pie mix, boxed pie crust mix, canned evaporated milk. Please help us make this Thanksgiving special. **Thank you and God bless you!**

**YOUTH MINISTRY ADVENT CANDLE SALE!** The Advent Season is right around the corner! Soon we will be unpacking our Christmas decorations in anticipation of Christ's birth. As we pull out the Advent Wreath each year, we remember that we must buy new candles to place in it. **Our Junior and Senior High students will be selling Advent Wreath candles following the 5 p.m. Mass on Saturday and the 9 a.m. and 11 a.m. Masses on the weekends of Nov. 21/22 and Nov. 28/29 in the Family Center.** Help support our group as we raise funds for the Steubenville Youth Conference in June! Thanks for your support!

### Youth Ministry News

**Advent Candle Sale Nov. 21/22 and 28/29** Junior and Senior High students will be selling advent wreath candles following all Masses on Saturday and Sunday (except 7am) in the family Center. We need teen volunteers to work the table each weekend. Call to be added to list. Funds to be used for the Summer Steubenville trip.

### Senior High Youth Ministry

The Junior High Semi Formal Dance is coming up on December 18<sup>th</sup>. It's not too late to be a part of the planning team. Join us Wednesday Nov. 18<sup>th</sup> from 7-8:30 pm in St. Sebastian Byrider Hall Room 2. Come help plan this special night!

### November

17 – **Peer Ministry Music rehearsal** St. Sebastian Church 8:00-9:00 pm

18 – **Peer Ministry Semi Formal Dance Meeting** in Byrider Hall Room 2 from 7:00- 8:30 pm

23 - **Open M Potato Peeling** 6-7 p.m. Bring your own peeler

23 - **Peer Ministry Confirmation Festival of Praise** Set-up and rehearsal 6:00-7:00 p.m. Festival of Praise 7:00–8:15 p.m. in St. Sebastian Church

25- **Community Thanksgiving Dinner** St. Sebastian Zwisler Hall 4:30-7:00 p.m. Set up, serve and clean up

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### Call Cathy Sivec with questions or to sign up for events

Home-330 835-1427  
St. Sebastian- 330 836-2233 ext. 105  
St. Vincent- 330 535-3135 ext. 11

**MARKET DAY NEWS:** We would like to thank everyone who supported our November Market Day sale. Market Day is pleased to offer Cookie Dough Bonus Days this month with ten delicious flavors. Please pick up your December order form on the table at the front of the Church or visit [marketday.com](http://marketday.com) to order today.



### **SAVE THE DATE: SUNDAY, DECEMBER 6**

for the St. Vincent Church Christmas Party from 5:00 to 8:00 p.m. in Corrigan Hall. Please join us in renewing old acquaintances and making new friends. Great food, entertainment, open bar, raffle, laughs and fun are waiting for you! \$20.00 per person. Transportation available to those in need of a ride. Sponsored by the Altar Society. Further details and registration information coming soon!



**GIVING TREE** Please start planning ahead for this year's Giving Tree. Though this is a "Christmas" project, the agencies we assist each year need enough lead time to distribute the gifts to their clients, and therefore we will strive to collect all of your kind donations beginning Thanksgiving weekend. This year, in light of the poor economy, Pregnancy Care is requesting donations of **diapers and formula**. Please begin now cutting coupons and watching for sales for diapers (any brand) in sizes 3, 4 & 5. In order to maintain a consistent diet for the babies, formula brands need to remain consistent: please purchase only **Similac** or **Isomil** cans of powder. Gift cards to Walmart or Target are also welcome. This announcement is just a "heads up" reminder; there will be more information in the coming weeks. Thanks for planning ahead to help make this Christmas safe and happy for our neighbors and their families! If you have any questions or would like to help with this project, please call Joanne at 330-414-0380.

### **SOCIAL JUSTICE MINISTRY...AND JUSTICE FOR ALL**

**Meeting Reminder:** The Social Justice Ministry will meet following the 9AM Mass, next Sunday, November 22, in St. Sebastian's Byrider Hall. The general session will focus on evaluation of this year's activities and planning 2010's program. All are welcome. For more information, contact Mary Tschantz: [Tschantz.mary@att.net](mailto:Tschantz.mary@att.net).

### **Five Actions to Promote a Culture of Human Life and Human Dignity**

Pray regularly that decision makers will promote public policies that protect human life from conception to natural death.

Become better informed about the teachings of our Church on human life and human dignity. Visit [www.clevelandcatholiccharities.org/profile](http://www.clevelandcatholiccharities.org/profile).


Receive the legislative hotlines and E-newsletters of the Catholic Commission and respond to timely issues that are a priority of the Church. Call 330-535-2787 or send your request to [axcoplan@clevelandcatholiccharities.org](mailto:axcoplan@clevelandcatholiccharities.org).

Do your part to encourage civil dialogue between members of our Church on these important issues. Avoid personal attacks on parishioners and others who disagree.

Inspire others to pray, study and act to promote a culture of life and human dignity. If you are interested in any specific issues, contact the office in your area and volunteer your time either on one of our many committees or as a board volunteer.

### **Prayers of the People for Clusters of Occupations**

(Cluster 35) That those working in **food processing occupations** will strive to make their worksites places where co-workers and customers can recognize the presence of God's love both through the food they prepare and the attitude that they display.



**2009 POINSETTIA DONATION**  
 During the Christmas Season we think of our loved ones, past and present. The Altar Society extends an opportunity for you to remember your loved ones. A flower donation of \$10.00 will be used to enhance the beauty of our Altar at Christmas and throughout the year. Please make your donations payable to St. Vincent Altar Society and either mail them to the parish office at 164 W. Market St., Akron, OH 44303 or put them in an **envelope clearly marked "Poinsettia Donation"** and place them in the collection basket. The deadline for donations and intentions to be printed is *Monday, December 14th, 2009*. Thank you!

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**USE YOUR SEWING TALENTS TO SERVE** Project RISE of Akron Public Schools in looking for individuals to help create dolls for their Love and Learn Doll Project. Each doll is hand made and is given to preschoolers living in homeless shelters in the Akron area. The dolls also come with a handmade quilt and tote bag along with a booklet to help with school readiness skills. There is an upcoming doll workshop on Tuesday, November 17 from 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. at Trinity United Church of Christ, 915 N. Main Street, Akron, OH 44310. No experience is necessary! For more information, to RSVP for the workshop, or to donate materials, please contact Jennifer Sullivan at [jsmiley81@yahoo.com](mailto:jsmiley81@yahoo.com) or at 330-753-6265.

**THE BELLES OF IRELAND CHRISTMAS FAIRE** will be held on Sunday, November 22, at 2000 Brown Street from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. This is a great opportunity to start your Christmas shopping early with Irish and Christmas handcrafted and imported gifts from a variety of vendors. Enjoy delicious food, baked goods, and beverages at Cafe Ireland. Please contact Meg Griffin at 330-688-4009 with any questions on the event.

**TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION**

November is a month of remembrance for the dead, and cemeteries have long been a focus for prayer. Our tradition holds great respect for bodily remains, since the body was created and redeemed by God, was once the "dwelling place of the Holy Spirit," and has a destiny of life with God in glory. The funeral practices of the early church contrasted greatly with those of the pagans, who had a great dread of the dead body. The ancient Christian funeral liturgy ended with the relatives and friends giving a final kiss to the body. It expressed affection and showed their faith that the grave would not be the last word. This kiss horrified pagans, who thought that any contact with the dead was degrading.

Every year on their loved one's "birthday to life," the Christians would return to the place of their burial to mark their profound communion with those whose lives were hidden in Christ. Typically, they buried the dead with their faces turned toward the east, symbolizing the rising of the Sun of Justice, Christ, at the end of days. They were attracted to the catacombs or burial grounds just as we are today. They would often celebrate the Eucharist at the tomb. Before long, as soon as Christians were allowed to build places for worship, they relocated cemeteries from beyond the city walls to surround the church. This was not so much because the church made the ground holy, but because the bodies of the saints hallowed the ground on which the church was built, a subtle but beautiful difference. --Rev. James Field, (c) Copyright, J. S. Paluch Co.

**SHARING GRIEF**—The Catholic Cemeteries Bereavement Ministry invites you to spend some special time sharing your grief with others. A bereavement support group session will be held this Sunday, November 15 from 3 to 4 p.m. in Holy Cross Cemetery in Akron (330-724-1297). Please contact Holy Cross Cemetery for further details.

**AKRON KNIGHTS YOUTH WRESTLING PROGRAM** Youth wrestling program for boys in grades 1-6 begins on November 16. For more information contact Coach Lann at 330-929-3234 or 330-773-9107.

**THE WALSH JESUIT THEATER DEPARTMENT** will perform the Charles Dickens classic "A Christmas Carol" for six shows, November 18-22. Tickets are \$8 for adults and \$5 for students/seniors. Group discounts are available for seniors and schools. For show times and to purchase tickets, please visit [www.walshjesuit.org](http://www.walshjesuit.org). Questions? Call Carol at 330-342-1263. Walsh Jesuit is located at 4550 Wyoga Lake Road in Cuyahoga Falls.