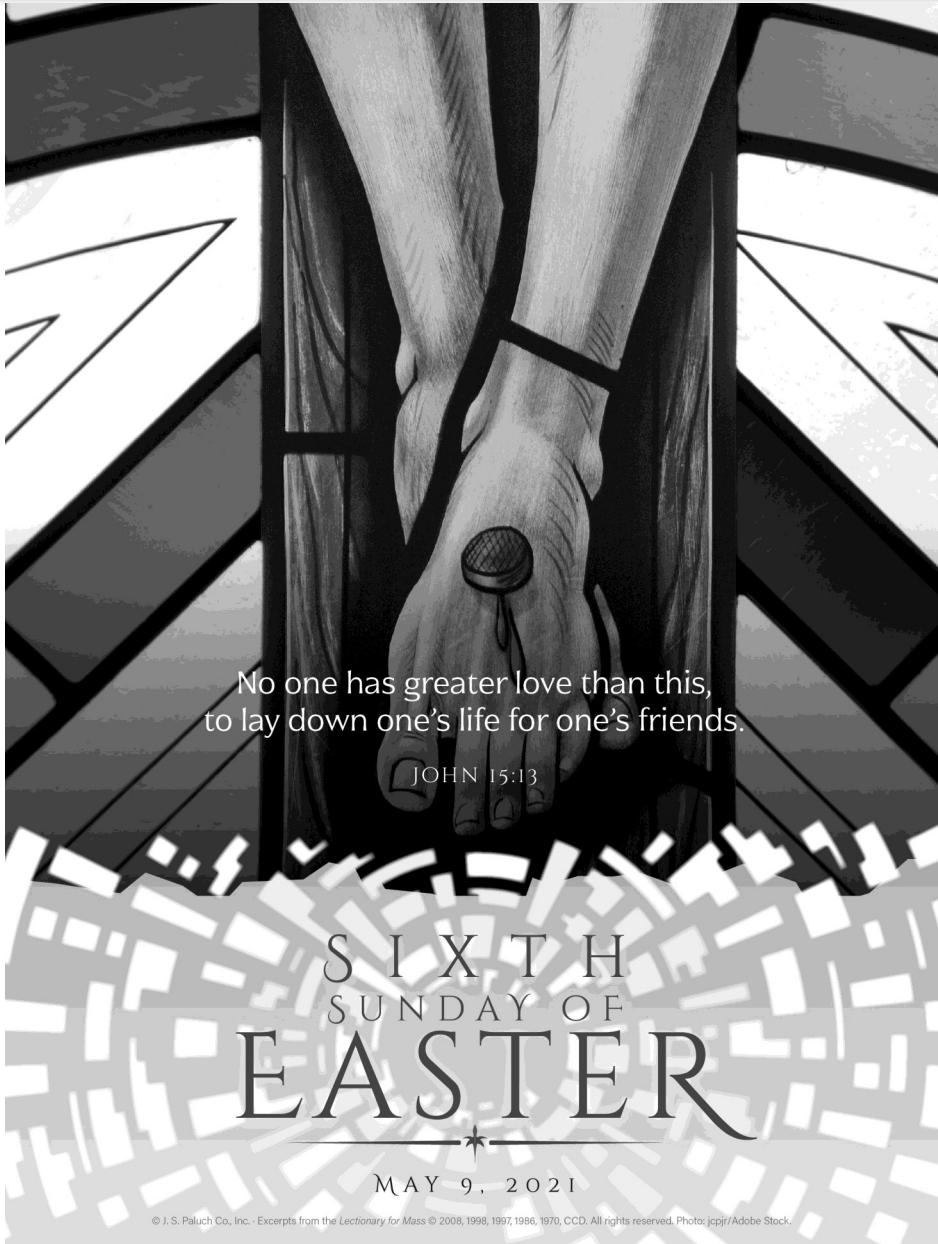




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We, the people of Saint Vincent DePaul Parish in the Archdiocese of Saint Louis, Missouri, are committed to following Jesus Christ, Evangelizer of the poor.

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.



SIXTH SUNDAY OF Easter

MAY 9, 2021

This is my commandment:
love one another as I love you.

John 15:12

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LOVE IS REAL

Love. Songs and books, plays and artistic masterpieces have been created to convey the truth that love is real. As Christians, we know that love is of God. In laying down his life, Jesus pours out God's selfless, sacrificial, undying love. Jesus opens the door to a new relationship between God and humanity, that of friendship, of intimate closeness. Jesus calls us to show this same love for others, knowing that in doing so, we fulfill God's will. As the account of Peter, Cornelius, and all in his household attests, this great love of God cannot be contained by our preconceived notions of the way things are in the world.

THE CALL AND CAUSE OF LOVE

Love calls and causes us to do great things, more than we might believe we are capable of. While some are called to give their lives as martyrs, most of us find ourselves called to lay down our lives in smaller ways in the midst of everyday life. Parents lose sleep in the early moments of their baby's life, and again as their teens mature and gain independence. Adult children change their plans to care for aging parents. We hear the call of love as we become attentive and respond to the needs of the poor, lonely, sick, and vulnerable. Love causes us to turn our lives around, to strive to become more Christ-like in our words and actions. Peter followed this call of love when he entered the house of Cornelius, a Gentile. He was likely as astounded at the outpouring of the Holy Spirit as were the believers who accompanied him, yet love caused Peter to see beyond the accepted boundaries of religion and race, seeing instead evidence of the Lord's great love at work.

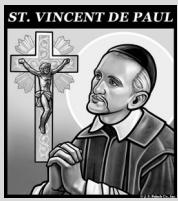
THE JOY-FILLED WAY OF LOVE

Following the Lord calls us to sacrifice for the sake of others, giving our attention, time, and resources in order to share Christ's care and compassion. Jesus shows us that giving of self, pouring ourselves out in love for another, is a joy-filled way of life. Joy is more than a feeling and is deeper than happiness. Joy comes with the assurance that Christ is with us when our lives mirror the life and way of our Master. Joy is a sense of fulfillment in knowing and sharing Christ's love. When we reach out in love, Christ's joy fills our hearts. Strengthened by the power of the Holy Spirit, we find the grace to follow Jesus' command to love one another.

TODAY'S READINGS

Acts 10:25–26, 34–35, 44–48
Psalm 98:1, 2–3, 3–4
1 John 4:7–10
John 15:9–17

**"It is chiefly in prayer
that God will give you
strength."**



— St. Vincent De Paul



We are excited to announce our webpage launch for Vincent's Community Outreach (VCO). Please check it out by either going to our Parish website homepage and click on the VCO link, or just visit our website directly at:

VCO-STL.ORG

Mass Schedule:

Mon-Fri: 12:05pm

Saturday: 4:30pm

Sunday: 9:00am & 11:00am

Masks are required before entering the Church
We will continue live-streaming of the 9:00a Mass available on our website for your convenience, should you choose to stay home:



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PARISH OFFICE HOURS:

8:30AM - 4:30PM
Monday - Saturday

THE PRESENCE OF THE HOLY SPIRIT

We have a unique episode in the Acts of the Apostles today. A whole roomful of people are baptized with the Holy Spirit before they are baptized with water! The verb used—"the Holy Spirit 'fell' on them" (Acts 10:44)—is characteristic of the way the Spirit works throughout the book of Acts: powerful and surprising. Though this "baptism" is not the normative way the New Testament describes baptism, it is still a good reminder today that the Holy Spirit is not controlled by whether or not we pour water, but rather that our sacramental signs reveal the presence of the Spirit at work among us. And we have a double reinforcement of how this work is accomplished from a Letter and a Gospel bearing John's name. It is love, self-sacrificing and self-giving love, that manifests the Spirit of Jesus in our midst. It is love that is the greatest of commandments. The Spirit is manifested equally through those who live in that love.

The Creed

Following the readings and the homily, we stand together and say or sing the Creed, our profession of faith. The Creed is a solemn statement of belief, a "rule of faith" (*General Instruction of the Roman Missal*, 67). It states the core of what we believe about God the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit. The language of the Creed is knotty and difficult at times, precisely because its purpose is to express with precision what we believe about God. The Creed that we pray most often, the Nicene Creed, came out of the earliest ecumenical councils: Nicea in 325 and Constantinople in 381. It originated in a time of great controversy about the divinity of Christ, and thus the longest section of the Creed relates to Christ, truly human and truly God.

The Creed is both communal and personal: it is "we," but it is also "I." In the Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults, it is only after listening to the teaching of the Church and professing faith in the Holy Trinity that the candidate is admitted to the sacraments. So it is every Sunday. We listen to the word, we profess our faith, and then we come to the altar.

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DEEP DEBT

My mother was the most beautiful woman I ever saw. All I am I owe to my mother. I attribute all my success in life to the moral, intellectual, and physical education I received from her.
—George Washington

LITTLE THINGS

Faithfulness in little things is a big thing. It was not you who chose me, but I who chose you and appointed you to go and bear fruit. —John 15:16

PRAY FOR
THE SICK



Tom Murphy
Dianna Wozniak
Dalana Graves
Chris Kerlick
John Hermann
Robert Flick
Shawn Karp

We pray for all
who are sick and
their caregivers:

Maren Matsen
Sharon Ryan
Jan Powell
Perry Garcia
Marian Junge
Bob Rauscher, Jr.
Jackson Garrett
Charles Sims

****NEW GUIDELINES RE. PRAYER LIST:****

Pursuant to new guidelines set forth by the Archdiocese in accordance with HIPPA, we may only honor requests by parishioners or immediate family for the Bulletin Prayer List. Names will only appear for a 30 day period. Thank you.

**Please pray for the following residents
In nursing homes:**

Mary Leimkuehler, Dorothy McFerren, &
Patricia Dannenberger

Nursing
Home

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MASS INTENTIONS:

Sunday, May 9

- 9:00a Harriet Cox
11:00a All Mothers for Mother's Day

Monday, May 10

- 12:05p Jane Powell

Tuesday, May 11

- 12:05p Single Mothers

Wednesday, May 12

- 12:05p Healthcare Workers

Thursday, May 13

- 12:05p Our Parishioners

Friday, May 14

- 12:05p William Salz

Saturday, May 15

- 4:30p Our Volunteers

HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

May 08 Megan Redshaw
May 12 Mary Officer
May 13 Jane Kaniecki
May 13 Renee Pawlikowski
May 14 Maureen Bertke
May 14 Laura Kelly
May 15 Melanie Martin

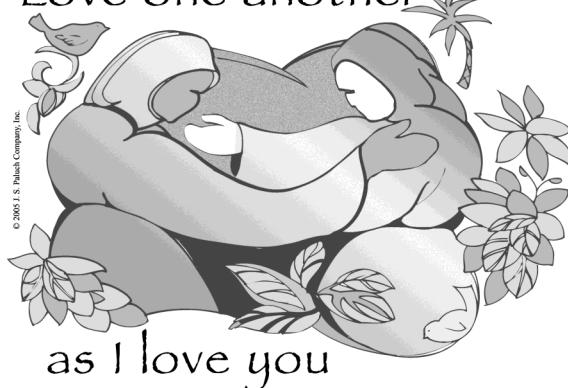


HAPPY ANNIVERSARY!

May 10 Doanld & Jennifer Daut 18 yrs
May 14 Wally & Nina Bryans 44 yrs



Love one another





What did Pope Francis Say?

Vatican City

Jesus insists on the verb “to abide”. Before leaving this world and going to the Father, Jesus wants to reassure His disciples that they can continue to be united with Him. He says, “Abide in me, and I in you.” This abiding is not a question of abiding passively, of “slumbering” in the Lord, letting oneself be lulled by life: no, no! It is not this. The abiding in Him, the abiding in Jesus that He proposes to us

is abiding actively, and also reciprocally. Why? Because the branches without the vine can do nothing, they need sap to grow and to bear fruit; but the vine, too, needs the branches, since fruit does not grow on the tree trunk. It is a reciprocal need, it is a question of a reciprocal abiding so as to bear fruit. We abide in Jesus and Jesus abides in us.

First of all, we need Him. The Lord wants to say to us that before the observance of His commandments, before the beatitudes, before works of mercy, it is necessary to be united to Him, to remain in him. We cannot be good Christians if we do not remain in Jesus. With Him, instead, we can do everything.

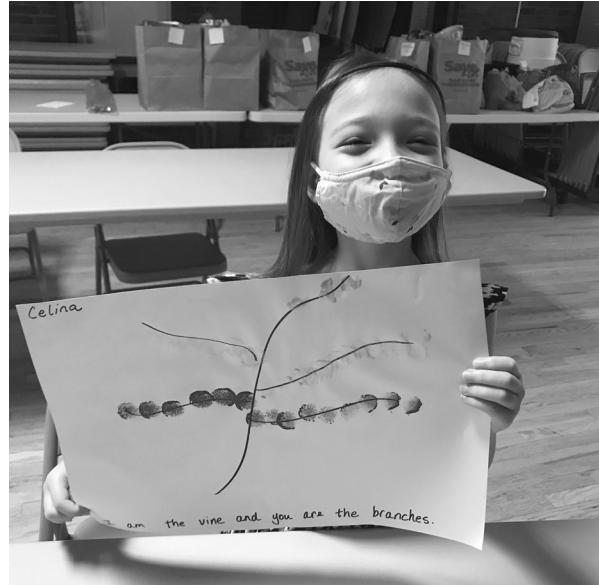
But even Jesus needs us, like the vine with the branches. Perhaps to say this seems audacious to us, and so we ask ourselves: in what sense does Jesus need us? He needs our witness. Like the branches the fruit we must give is the witness to our lives as Christians. After Jesus ascended to the Father, the task of the disciples - it is our task - is to continue to proclaim the Gospel in words and in deeds. And the disciples - we, Jesus' disciples - do so by bearing witness to His love: the fruit to be borne is love. Attached to Christ, we receive the gifts of the Holy Spirit, and in this way we can do good to our neighbor, we can do good to society, to the Church. The tree is known by its fruit. A truly Christian life bears witness to Christ.

It's been such a gift to have our children back at Church for
"Liturgy of the Word for Children".

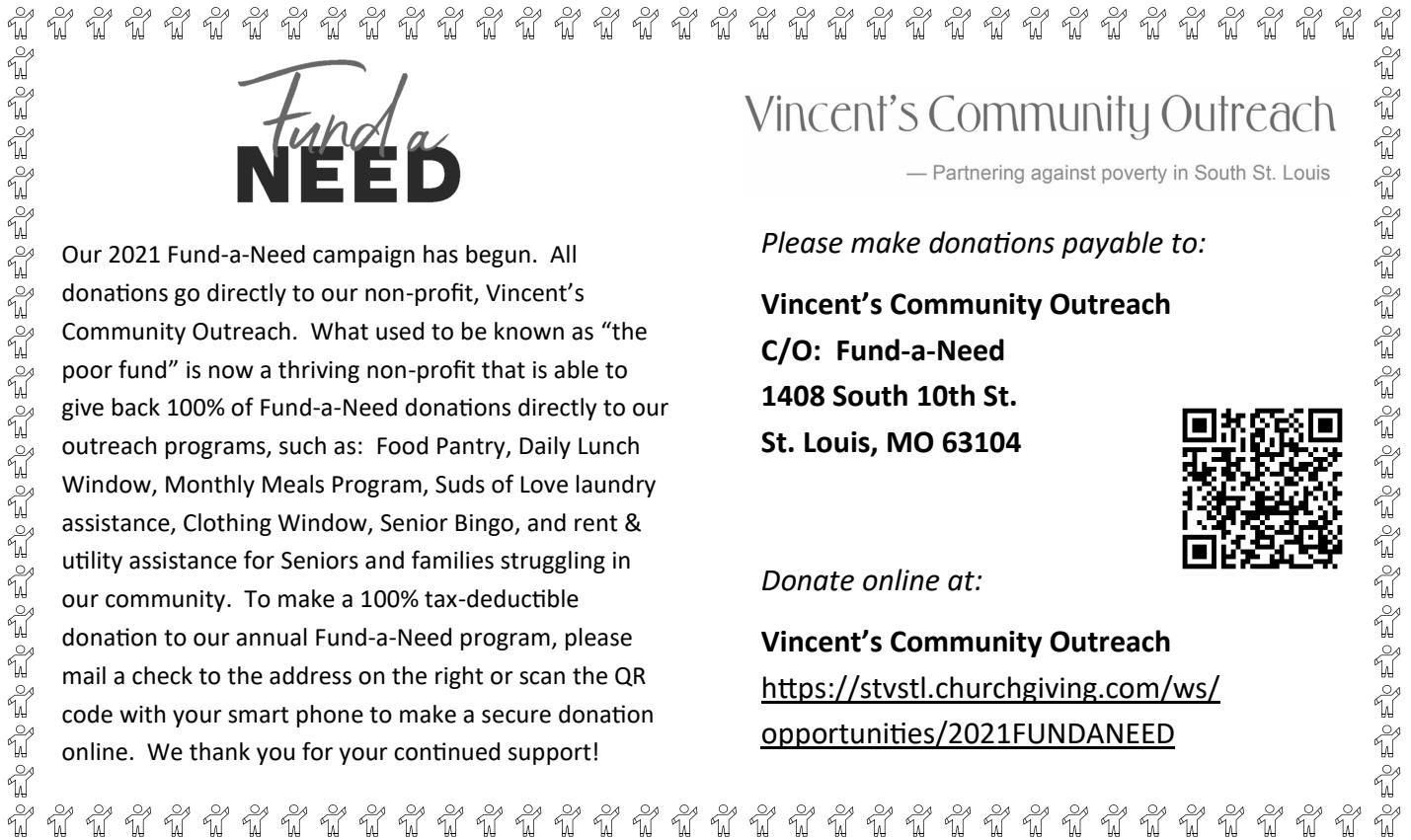
Our young people created artwork about the bible verses they are studying.



“I know my sheep, and they know me.”



“I am the vine and you are the branches.”



Fund a NEED

Our 2021 Fund-a-Need campaign has begun. All donations go directly to our non-profit, Vincent's Community Outreach. What used to be known as "the poor fund" is now a thriving non-profit that is able to give back 100% of Fund-a-Need donations directly to our outreach programs, such as: Food Pantry, Daily Lunch Window, Monthly Meals Program, Suds of Love laundry assistance, Clothing Window, Senior Bingo, and rent & utility assistance for Seniors and families struggling in our community. To make a 100% tax-deductible donation to our annual Fund-a-Need program, please mail a check to the address on the right or scan the QR code with your smart phone to make a secure donation online. We thank you for your continued support!

Vincent's Community Outreach

— Partnering against poverty in South St. Louis

Please make donations payable to:

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We're excited to welcome back our to St. Vincent's on **Sunday, May 23rd at 10:00a** (immediately after 9:00a Mass).

For those who don't remember, Bridge Bread is a local organization that employs formerly homeless individuals as bakers, providing them a pathway to being housed. If you'd like to pre-order, you can choose from over 50 items. Go to www.bridgebread.org and choose "deliver to event." You can drop down to our parish's name to have your items pre-paid and bagged for you to pick up on May 23rd.

IMPORTANT ANNOUNCEMENTS:

- ⇒ **CABRINI ACADEMY:** Cabrini Academy has resumed full in-person learning on Mondays - Thursdays. Enrollment is currently underway for the 2021-22 school year. We welcome families to contact Cabrini Academy at 314-776-0883 for additional information.
- ⇒ **2021 FUND-A-NEED:** Although we will not be hosting our Annual Dinner Auction this year, we have begun our fundraising campaign for the 2021 Fund-a-Need. To learn more about this year's Fund- a-Need program or to make a donation, please go to:
<https://stvstl.churchgiving.com/ws/opportunities/2021FUNDANEED>
- ⇒ **St. Vincent's Online Trivia Night:** Please save the date for Saturday, July 10th at 7:00pm for our first online trivia party. Registration, pricing and details on group pairing will be coming soon, so please stay tuned and remember to save the date. This is sure to be a really fun event - and remember, it's online only so you can have parties at your house to participate as teams.
- ⇒ **2021 GOLF TOURNAMENT:** We are thrilled to announce we will be back together again this Fall and resume our annual Golf Tournament. Please mark your calendars for **Monday, September 20th, 2021**. Further details to come this Summer. We can't wait to be together on the golf course again - this Parish event is one of our favorites of the year. And don't worry if your golf game isn't that great—this is all about getting out on a beautiful day and having fun together....enjoying great friends, incredible food, and the beautiful golf course at Greenbriar Hills Country Club.

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