



ST. VINCENT DE PAUL
CATHOLIC CHURCH



2021 PARISH DIRECTORY



On behalf of our parish, welcome to Saint Vincent de Paul Catholic Church. Perhaps you are a new parishioner, or maybe a parishioner for many years. Nonetheless, in this booklet, you will find information about the various ministries and groups in our parish. Also, you will find the contact information of our parishioners.

Our patron, Saint Vincent de Paul, wrote, *“We should spend as much time in thanking God for his benefits as we do in asking him for them.”* Our parish is thankful for you. You are a benefit to our Christian community: your worship, your service, your participation. Thank you for being part of this Catholic community. We promise to be good stewards of your faith life! The celebration of the sacraments, the small groups, and ministry opportunities will draw you closer to our Lord!

If our staff can do anything for you, or if you have questions, please contact us at (316) 733-1423 or stop by the Parish Office or the Parish Welcome Counter after a Mass located in the Gathering Space.

Blessings to you and your family!

Father Ken VanHaverbeke

St. Vincent de Paul Catholic Church

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Weekend Masses

Saturday 5 pm

Sunday 9 & 11 am

Daily Mass

Tuesday and Friday at 8:10 am Daily

Wednesday evenings at 5:30 pm

Thursday at noon

Confessions are held 30 minutes before each weekday Mass and on Saturday 4–4:40 pm in the Daily Chapel. This sacrament is also available by appointment. Contact Parish Office at 316-733-1423.

Penance services also are held during Advent and Lent.

Our Parish History

- 1954** Our community was established by eleven Catholic families concerned about their children's religious education. On October 10, 1954, Fr. John Curran presided at the first Mass hosted in the home of Clarence and Isadel Seimer. In December, arrangements were made to use a cabin at Shady Rest Resort for a chapel. Msgr. Leon McNeil presided at the first Mass there on Christmas Eve. By this time, there were 35 families in the mission community.
- 1955-60** St. Vincent de Paul was chosen as our patron saint, and Father Justin Betzen was named the first Pastor. A more permanent home was established at a one-time pump station located on Four Mile Creek in September. However, the "pump station" had continual flooding problems. A building committee began to work on plans for a permanent, dry location. By November of 1959, the parish had raised \$40,000 for a new home.
- 1960-70** On Christmas Eve, 1960, the parish assembled for midnight Mass, the new building's first celebration. Bishop Mark K. Carroll dedicated the church on January 8, 1961. He praised the pioneer spirit of the community, saying, "the heart of this beautiful church is its people- the colorful story of the Catholic pioneers of this area-the humble beginning of a parish in an abandoned garage...". Frs. William Ryan, Neil Driver, Joseph Gerstenkorn, and Father Edward Steinberger served the parish as Pastors during this decade.
- 1970-80** The parish "burned the mortgage" for the new facilities on December 15, 1973. Fr. Charles Regan, the Pastor from July '69 to May '79, provided leadership to include the need to reach out to the youth population. Classrooms and a gym/social hall were added.
- Bishop Leo C. Byrne dedicated the new space on July 9, 1978. The parish experienced steady growth during this period. Fr. Robert Watson was Pastor from June 1979 to October 1980.
- 1980-90** Fr. Hanes Eatough served as Pastor from October '80 to June '85. Under his guidance, parish ministries flourished. When Msgr. Herbert Hertel came to the parish in 1985, a third Sunday Mass was added. It was becoming apparent that the parish was outgrowing its facilities. A building fund was established in 1986 to begin planning for the future.
- Fr. Mike Baldwin became Pastor in March '87. Plans were drawn for additions and revisions to the parish plant. The congregation moved into the gym for worship in the fall of 1990.

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- 1991** On Friday evening, April 26, a massive tornado devastated the entire Andover community. Two members of the parish family were killed. Over 80 parishioners lost their homes, and the tornado destroyed all existing parish facilities. Even though we were without a home, we had our parish family, and growth continued as we met for Mass in the Andover High School auditorium.
- 1993** We celebrated our first Mass in the new facility on Holy Thursday. Bishop Eugene Gerber dedicated the new church complex on May 2, 1993. He presented us with a relic of St. Vincent de Paul from his Bishop's cross. This relic is enthroned in the front panel of the altar. The parish had grown to 600 families.
- 1994-99** After moving into the new complex, the number of families in the parish doubled in the next six years. Resurrection from the tornado happened in the community in a variety of powerful spiritual experiences. Fr. Mike Baldwin continued to lead the parish during this time of growth and renewal.
- 2000-10** Under Fr. Mike Baldwin's leadership, the parish continued to grow and added dynamic ministries of LIFE to provide faith formation for the whole family and EDGE and LIFE TEEN youth ministries.
- 2011-20** This year marked a time of transition as Fr. Kent Hemberger became our new Pastor and continued the unique spirit and ministry of St. Vincent de Paul Parish. In May of 2020, it was with great sadness that our parish learned from Fr. Kent that he had been diagnosed with pancreatic cancer. Fr. Hemberger passed away on July 22, 2020. We will never forget his gentle spirit and love for his parishioners.
- 2021-present** In October 2021, Father Kenneth VanHaverbeke was named our Pastor. With his guidance, our history continues as we "Grow in Christ and build God's Kingdom." We are a unique, compassionate community known for our hospitality and service that extends beyond our parish walls.

Ministries & Stewardship Opportunities

The four pillars of stewardship: Hospitality, Prayer, Faith Formation, and Service describe the focus of St. Vincent de Paul as a parish. These pillars guide our lives as good stewards of God's gifts. Over the following several pages, you will find information about our various ministries and stewardship opportunities.

Everyone is invited to share their time, talent, and treasure. We hope you share your faith at home, in your workplace, and with your friends and neighbors.

For more information on all parish activities, we encourage you to visit our website www.svdpks.org. If you should have questions, please contact the office at 733-1423 or email michele@svdpks.org.

Please note – this directory is completed several months in advance. Some of the ministries and stewardship opportunities might not apply at this time due to COVID restrictions. Always refer to the parish website or bulletin notices for updated information.



Hospitality

Hospitality helps define who we are at St. Vincent.

Our parish offers opportunities to reach out and welcome new faces, life-long parishioners, and those who want to deepen their faith.

Be Our Guest Ministry is a hospitality and service ministry, extending welcome and support to our parish family and the wider community:

- **Funeral luncheons** are prepared and served for families, providing the comfort of a home-cooked meal and an opportunity for fellowship and sharing of memories. Volunteers help with meal preparation and serving.
- **Reception and events volunteers** help at wedding receptions, fundraisers, social events with setup, food prep, serving, and cleanup.
- **Fall Festival** is held each fall during Andover Days. Volunteers help with the Upscale Garage Sale, Café, Bake Sale, and other activities. Money raised by Be Our Guest Ministry helps support our Vacation Bible School, parish projects, and community outreach to local charities.

CONTACT: Kathleen Gideon at 733-1423 or email kathleen@svdpks.org

Greeters & Ushers welcome all who come through our doors at Mass. Ushers also assist with seating, help with the Offertory, provide direction during the Communion procession and distribute the bulletin after Mass. This ministry is a great volunteer opportunity for new or old parishioners to meet other parish family members. Volunteers are mentored and trained and can choose their preferred Mass time to serve.

CONTACT: Teresa Marshall-Patterson at 733-1423 or email teresa@svdpks.org

Hospitality Ministers are needed to share a smile and create a sense of community and friendship. If you enjoy talking with visitors and fellow parishioners, this is a great stewardship opportunity for you.

CONTACT: Margaret DeWitt at 733-1423 or email margaret@svdpks.org

The Parish Picnic is usually held in September. Members of our parish and community gather to celebrate and enjoy fellowship. Volunteers help with setup, games, food service, etc.

CONTACT: Michele Carlini at 733-1423 or email michele@svdpks.org

Welcome Ministry volunteers are available after Masses at the Welcome table located in the Gathering Space. Volunteers greet new members, answer questions about activities and events in our parish, take suggestions or comments and help parishioners connect with groups and activities. Volunteers also help at new parishioner welcome events held throughout the year.

CONTACT: Michele Carlini at 733-1423 or email michele@svdpks.org



Prayer

Prayer nurtures our relationship with God and prepares us spiritually to do things we didn't think possible.

Our parish offers various opportunities to grow in prayer and opens the door to a dialogue with God.

Adoration is the heart of who we are as Catholics: the Real Presence of Jesus Christ in the Eucharist. Spending time in prayer and devotion in the Adoration Chapel is a tradition that many Catholics honor in their spiritual expression. Eucharistic Adoration is celebrated each Tuesday from 9 am to 9 pm. Volunteers sign up for one-hour periods.

CONTACT: Susie Wilson at 733-1423 or email susan@svdpks.org

Altar Servers assist at Mass by lighting candles, holding the book of prayers, carrying the processional cross, and helping Father Ken during the Offertory and Eucharistic prayers. Children who have celebrated their First Communion are invited to join this ministry. Training is provided at various times throughout the year, and parents can select their preferred Mass time.

CONTACT: Teresa Marshall-Patterson at 733-1423 or email teresa@svdpks.org

Cantors, Choirs, and Musicians are a vital part of our worship. We have several opportunities for you to share your talents. Our mixed choir, contemporary music groups, bell choir, and musicians enrich our Masses and other celebrations. Cantors lead sung prayer and assist the assembly with songs and acclamations during Mass. New members are always welcome.

CONTACT: Melissa Seiler at 733-1423 or email melissa@svdpks.org

Eucharistic Ministers assist with distributing Communion at weekend Masses and on Holy Days. Volunteers receive training and are assisted with the guidance of the Eucharistic Captain. Volunteers may select preferred Mass times.
CONTACT: Teresa Marshall-Patterson at 733-1423 or email teresa@svdpks.org

Lectors proclaim the Scriptures at Mass. Volunteers of this ministry must be comfortable speaking in public. Lectors receive training and are provided a lector workbook. Schedules are sent in advance, and volunteers may choose their preferred Mass time.

CONTACT: Teresa Marshall-Patterson at 733-1423 or email teresa@svdpks.org

Prayer Line Volunteers offer individual prayers for requests by our parishioners, generously giving their time to pray daily for those who are ill, grieving, or suffering in any way. An excellent volunteer opportunity to assist parishioners by adding their needs to your prayer time.

CONTACT: Kathleen Gideon at 733-1423 or email kathleen@svdpks.org

Prayer Shawl Ministry Volunteers pray for those who are ill while making a prayer shawl that will remind recipients of the parish's promise of continued prayer. Most of the work is done at home, but names, yarn, or instructions may be picked up at any time. If you know someone in need of a prayer shawl or would like to learn more about this ministry, please let us know.

CONTACT: Sister Kathy at 733-1423 or email kathy@svdpks.org

Sacristans prepare the vessels, altar cloths, and linens used at Mass. Volunteers are trained and scheduled in advance. Volunteers may choose their preferred Mass times.

CONTACT: Teresa Marshall-Patterson at 733-1423 or email teresa@svdpks.org



Faith Formation

We invite members of all ages to learn more about their faith and grow in their relationship with God,

Becoming Catholic (R.C.I.A.) is a faith formation process for adults and youth (4th grade and older) interested in joining the Catholic Church. Candidates are gradually introduced to aspects of Catholic beliefs and practices. Volunteer catechists prepare sessions about different topics to help candidates discover more about the Catholic faith. Volunteers are also needed to help on the journey toward celebrating the sacraments of Baptism, Confirmation, and Eucharist.

CONTACT: Teresa Marshall-Patterson at 733-1423 or email teresa@svdpks.org

Breakfast of Champions is a faith formation opportunity for all children in the 3rd, 4th, and 5th grades with their families to become more familiar with the Bible itself while enjoying a great breakfast, a video about a Bible hero, and an object lesson. The breakfasts are held monthly from 10–11 am on select dates.

CONTACT: Susie Wilson at 733-1423 or email susan@svdpks.org

Confirmation volunteers are needed to serve as small group leaders to help these young adults grow in appreciation and knowledge of the gifts they received at Baptism.

CONTACT: Kathleen Gideon at 733-1423 or email kathleen@svdpks.org

First Communion/Reconciliation is for children in 2nd and 3rd grades and their parents. Signups begin in August. There are nine sessions to help parents prepare their children for these two sacraments. Most sessions are scheduled on Wednesday evenings and last about an hour. Follow-up activities are sent home.

CONTACT: Susie Wilson at 733-1423 or email susan@svdpks.org

Kid's Small Groups is faith formation for Kindergarten through 5th-grade children. In Kid's Small Groups, our goal is to help children develop a strong bond with their church family members while studying the Bible and learning about their faith. Children will experience faith, fun, and friends in these small groups that meet between the Masses on the 2nd and 4th Sundays of the month from 10:10 to 10:55 am, during the school year.

CONTACT: Susie Wilson at 733-1423 or email susan@svdpks.org

Lenten Stations of the Cross is held on all Fridays during Lent except Holy Week. Join us at noon or 6 pm. Children are welcome to attend.

CONTACT: Teresa Marshall-Patterson at 733-1423 or email teresa@svdpks.org

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Faith2Go is our parish-wide faith formation program designed to help us grow our relationship with Jesus and each other.

CONTACT: Susie Wilson at 733-1423 or email susan@svdpks.org

Marriage Preparation (Unitas) is for couples preparing for the sacrament of marriage. Sponsor couples are matched with engaged couples in this program, scheduled during the winter and/or summer months. These sponsors help couples explore married life areas, such as finance, children, spirituality, values, and family.

CONTACT: Teresa Marshall-Patterson at 733-1423 or email teresa@svdpks.org

Time Travelers focuses on providing a worship experience for children five years old through 5th grade. Children attending Time Travelers will travel back in time to learn about Jesus by singing, listening to the Gospel in words they can understand, and hearing a spiritual message designed just for them. Children attending Time Travelers begin in church with their families, leave before the readings, and return after the homily. There is no sign-up or registration necessary. Volunteer catechists are needed; training is provided.

CONTACT: Susie Wilson at 733-1423 or email susan@svdpks.org

Vacation Bible School is held in the summer for children ages four through those entering 5th grade. A central Bible theme, combined with an “adventure” theme, makes this an exciting week. Meaningful music, creative crafts, and super skits are just some of the great activities children enjoy as they learn more about their faith. Volunteer opportunities available for adults, middle and high school students to provide leadership, music, crafts, and games.

CONTACT: Susie Wilson at 733-1423 or email susan@svdpks.org



Youth Ministries

Youth Ministry is an essential part of our continued growth as a parish. Our mission is to encourage youth to become closer to God and provide spiritual guidance, fellowship, and opportunities to grow in faith.

LIFE TEEN is the high school youth ministry program. We strive to provide our young adults with a fun, social, and interactive learning environment that will further their relationship with Christ. Teens enjoy a variety of activities, including guest speakers, overnight retreats, and mission trips.

High School students meet Wednesday evenings from 7 to 8:30 pm in the youth room. Volunteers are needed for chaperones and leaders.

CONTACT: Shelby Wasinger at 733-1423 or email shelby@svdpks.org

EDGE is for middle school students in 6th, 7th, and 8th grade. It is an opportunity to explore their faith, meet new people and have fun with friends while learning about their faith.

EDGE meets Tuesday evenings, 7 to 8:30 pm, in the youth room. Volunteer leaders and chaperones are needed.

CONTACT: Shelby Wasinger at 733-1423 or email shelby@svdpks.org

Boy Scouts and Cub Scout programs are for children in grades kindergarten through high school. Scouting helps youth develop academic skills, self-confidence, ethics, leadership skills, and citizenship skills that influence their adult lives. Troop 584 meets at St. Vincent.

CONTACT: Chris Gordon at 841-6630

Service

“As each has received a gift, use it to serve one another as good stewards of God’s varied grace.”

There are many opportunities to help your neighbor here at St. Vincent. We invite you to explore how you can use your talents to help those in need.

Bereavement volunteer opportunities are available for teenagers to adults. This ministry extends to those who are grieving the compassionate care and support of our faith community. Practical ministries from hosting out-of-town relatives, house sitting, etc., to “companion” ministries that help with the mailing of support materials, calling or visiting the bereaved are available. Training will be provided as needed.

CONTACT: Kathleen at 733-1423 or email kathleen@svdpks.org

Communion to the Homebound Ministers visit parish members who cannot leave their homes due to illness. They also visit Catholic residents in Andover care centers.

CONTACT: Teresa Marshall-Patterson at 733-1423 or email teresa@svdpks.org

Garden Angel volunteers help keep the parish grounds beautiful by planting, watering, and maintaining the flower beds. Volunteers are welcome to plant, water, and maintain these areas. Volunteers also maintain the Christmas and Easter flowers in the Worship and Gathering Spaces. Hours are flexible, and training is provided.

CONTACT: Outdoor Garden Angels - Michele Carlini at 733-1423 or email michele@svdpks.org Indoor Garden Angels - Deb James at 685-6792 or email deborah-james@mednax.com

Health & Wellness Ministry fosters health and wellness through compassionate service, support, and education. Volunteers provide meals for families during times of illness (please contact parish office of need). Blood pressure checks, Red Cross blood drives, mental health awareness efforts, and other informational and educational events help promote health.

CONTACT: Kathleen Gideon at 733-1423 or email kathleen@svdpks.org.

Kapaun's Men Group takes as their model the life of Father Emil Kapaun, a courageous Catholic priest, Army chaplain, and leader of men. Guided by the Holy Spirit and inspired by the witness of Servant of God Fr. Emil Kapaun, Kapaun's Men unites men in prayer, formation, and discussion to become better fathers, husbands, leaders, and friends.

CONTACT: Arnie Kroupa by email amkroupa6@gmail.com

Knights of Columbus members assist the parish and community in many areas, including raising funds for Life Saver Sunday, holding the annual Tootsie Roll drive, raising donations for seminarians in our diocese. Funds are raised through pancake breakfasts. Joining the Knights of Columbus is an excellent way for Catholic men, 18 years or older, to be part of service to our church and community while making friendships that will last a lifetime.

CONTACT: Bryan Sanger at 990-0654

The Lord's Diner is a non-profit soup kitchen. Dinner is served nightly from 5:30 to 7:30 pm, seven days a week, 365 nights a year. With six locations, the Diner serves more than 3,500 guests daily. Teams from St. Vincent is scheduled to serve at the N. Broadway location on the fourth Saturday of each month and the third Monday of each month at the S. Hillside location. Training and mentoring are provided. A food handler's card is required for regular service with this ministry.

CONTACT: North Broadway location: Rebecca Gehrler at 684-9313 or email rebeccagehrer@gmail.com Hillside location: Debbie Vincent at 733-6228 or email dvincent3@cox.net

Lord's Diner Fundraiser, sponsored by St. Vincent's, continues to be a major fundraiser for The Diner. Great food, live and silent auctions are only some of the reasons this event sells out early every year. This event helps to cover the food costs to provide meals served at the Evergreen Park food truck. Volunteer opportunities are available for planning, reservations, set up, food service, and more.

CONTACT: Michele Carlini at 733-1423 or email michele@svdpks.org

Meals on Wheels volunteers deliver meals to the elderly on Saturday and Sunday, two consecutive weekends about four times per year. Notices are put in the bulletin when scheduled. A valid driver's license is required, and routes are set up in advance. Volunteers also check in on homebound seniors. This service allows seniors to remain independent for as long as possible.

CONTACT: Ashley & Matt Kadel by email mattkadel@gmail.com

Respect Life Ministry provides education and outreach activities throughout the year to support that all of life is sacred, from conception to death. Time is also spent weekly in the Adoration Chapel for prayer and meditation, celebrating the gift of life. Volunteers help with Respect Life baby showers held twice a year and assist speakers on Respect Life Ministries issues.

CONTACT: Debra O'Leary-Kurtz by email dolearykurtz@yahoo.com

Sound Ministers/Audio Visual Technicians assist with the sound system and recordings during Mass and various events in the Ville.

Individuals who have an interest/knowledge of computer or theatrical technology will enjoy this ministry. Volunteers receive training, and schedules are sent in advance.

CONTACT: Chris Dean at 733-1423 or email chris@svdpks.org

St. Vincent de Paul Society volunteers actively help those in need that live within the parish boundaries. When a request for help is received, two members go on a home visit to determine if assistance can be provided. Meetings are held on the second and fourth Thursday of each month at 7 pm.

CONTACT: Michele Carlini at 733-1423 or email michele@svdpks.org

St. Vincent de Paul Quilters use their talents quilting, embroidering, and sewing. They meet every Tuesday, from 9 am to noon in room 1C. They make more than 20 quilts for the annual SVdP quilt bingo in March. All proceeds are donated to the parish and local charities. New members are always welcome.

CONTACT: Parish Office at 733-1423

Volunteers on Call allow us to complete various projects needed here at our parish. Everyone has a talent, craft, or hobby. We hope you are willing to share your time and talent. It might be photography, cooking, building repair or maintenance, sewing, etc. We would love to know you are available on an "as needed" basis.

CONTACT: Michele Carlini at 733-1423 or email michele@svdpks.org



Flourish in Faith is the broad title that consists of various creative and spiritual activities centered on the arts and reflection. Guided by Sister Kathy Vasselli, the participants experience art-related prayer activities that can strengthen our focus in prayer and stimulate our creativity as we deepen our relationship with God.



Art Journaling meets every Monday from 1 to 3:30 pm in the social space at St. Vincent. It is a time to write, draw, color, reflect and explore prayer through the visual arts. No artistic ability is needed, just a desire to use the arts for centering and prayer. All adults are welcome. We invite you to join us for companionship and creative reflection experiences.

CONTACT: Sister Kathy at 733-1423 or email kathy@svdpks.org



Friday night film study uses the Ignatian reflection style to discover how contemporary films help us find out more about ourselves and understand our relationship between the world, others, and God. The group will meet once a month on Fridays at 6:30 pm in the social space. Popcorn and beverages are served at the movie.

CONTACT: Sister Kathy at 733-1423 or email kathy@svdpks.org

Greeting Card Ministry volunteers make greeting cards for the homebound of our area and sick in our parish. The cards can be used to write to family and friends without the hassle of having to shop for cards. It allows us to use our creative gifts and share them with others. The group meets on the second Tuesday of each month from 6 to 8:30 pm Cards can be created at meetings or home. If you cannot attend meetings, card supplies and directions can be provided. If you like scrapbooking, you will love this ministry!

CONTACT: Sister Kathy at 733-1423 or email kathy@svdpks.org

Saturday Retreat Mornings began with a request from the Art Journalers' desire to have a block of time to work and reflect on a more extensive project. We incorporate many different forms of the arts in new and different prayer experiences. In a quiet, reflective atmosphere, we are led through various exercises to stretch our imaginations and learn more about the arts, God, and ourselves.

CONTACT: Sister Kathy at 733-1423 or email kathy@svdpks.org



Spiritual Direction invites you to journey on the path to God, searching to deepen the relationship between you and your God. Amid a busy life, many people find it difficult to notice God's actions in their daily affairs. Yet, all of us long for a more conscious experience of God's presence and love. In spiritual direction, you reflect deeply on the experiences of your daily life. Spiritual direction invites you to journey on the path to God.

CONTACT: Sister Kathy at 733-1423 or email kathy@svdpks.org

Yoga Classes are part of our Flourish in Faith through the Arts Program. Chuck Hart leads the Yoga Class weekly, on Thursdays, from 6:30–7:30 pm, in the catacombs. Bring your mat and towel for your comfort. Chuck has a few mats for beginners. Allow yourself to practice the disciplines that aim to transform body and mind. Beginners welcome.

CONTACT: Sister Kathy at 733-1423 or email kathy@svdpks.org

Other Ministries and Organizations

Andover Community Food Bank and His Daily Bread Food Pantry serve those in need of food assistance in our communities. We currently collect food items weekly that are donated to the Andover Food Pantry and stock our Blessing Box. Volunteer opportunities are available.

CONTACT: Michele Carlini at 733-1423 or email michele@svdpks.org

Andover Caring and Sharing is held in December of each year. Volunteers are needed to help gather toys and food items for local families and senior citizens at Christmas time. Volunteers also help wrap presents and distribute gifts and food baskets to the families.

CONTACT: Michele Carlini at 733-1423 or email michele@svdpks.org

Andover Summer Lunch Program volunteers help distribute sack lunches weekly to children in need in the Andover school district during the summer.

CONTACT: Michele Carlini at 733-1423 or email michele@svdpks.org

Hands2Serve volunteers from churches around the area partner together in an attitude of service to complete projects for elderly and disabled residents in the Andover, Benton, Rose Hill, and Towanda communities. The service event is held in the spring or fall.

CONTACT: Michele Carlini at 733-1423 or email michele@svdpks.org

Harvest House is for men and women over 50 and meets on the 4th Wednesday of each month. Guest speakers are brought in to talk with the group on various subjects. Check your bulletin for upcoming events.

CONTACT: Parish office or email office@svdpks.org



Karate Club invites you to join the fun every Monday at 5:30 pm. Fees are \$10.00 per month, and ages six and older are welcome. Advance enrollment is recommended as classes fill up fast!

CONTACT: Parish office at 733-1423 or email wafs@sbcglobal.net

Medical Loan Closet if you or someone you know needs a wheelchair, walker, crutches, bath stool, etc., we are here to help. Many parishioners have donated slightly used medical equipment that we are happy to lend you.

CONTACT; Michele Carlini at 733-1423 or email michele@svdpks.org



Noah's Ark was started in 1994 when Mary Covington, a member of our parish, found out that Cloud grade school and a few other local charities needed extra help supplying those in need with Christmas gifts. Names are received along with wish lists for parishioners to purchase gifts. Presents are distributed before Christmas each year.

CONTACT: Mary Covington 841-3818 or email trashqueen11@yahoo.com



St. Augustine Indian Mission is our sister parish located in Winnebago, Nebraska. Volunteers help raise funds to help with school equipment and gather school supplies each fall. We also fund the salary for a kindergarten teacher each year.

CONTACT: Greg Anderson by email at gnkanderson@earthlink.net



Small Groups help parishioners connect with others and grow in faith. Our vision is that we will be a parish of small groups who strengthen and support each other. We believe small groups enhance our mission to grow in Christ and build the Kingdom

Current small groups include:

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| Art Journaling | Karate Club |
| Bible Study Groups | Marriage Enrichment |
| Book Study Groups | Playing Cards |
| Bridge Players | Women's Bible Study |
| Dance Lessons | Women of Friendship & Faith |
| Financial Peace | S.V.D.P. Men's Group |

If you feel called to be a small group leader, please contact Susan in the parish office. We are open to various small groups of different ages, interests, topics, and activities.

CONTACT: Susan Wilson at 733-1423 or email susan@svdps.org

Frequently Asked Questions About our Parish

How do I submit articles for the bulletin? Our weekly bulletin articles must be submitted by noon on Wednesday of that week by emailing kathleen@svdpks.org or contacting the parish office.

How do I register for parish events? You can register for parish events on our website at www.svdpks.org or by contacting our parish office at 733-1423.

How do I know the Mass times on Holy Days? All Mass times are posted on our parish website at www.svdpks.org, in our weekly bulletin, or by calling our parish office at 733-1423.

Who do I contact about baptisms? If you are a registered member of our parish, please contact Kathleen at 733-1423 or email kathleen@svdpks.org. If you are not a member of our parish, please contact Teresa Marshall-Patterson in our parish office or email teresa@svdpks.org.

What is the G.O. Board? Our G.O. Board items target specific parish needs, such as liturgy, adult and youth faith formation, building maintenance and repair, and office and computer needs. Our G.O. Board is located on our parish website and the east wall in the gathering space.

Who do I notify to have a name added to the prayer list? If you would like to inform the parish that a friend, loved one, or fellow parishioner is ill or in the hospital, please call Kathleen Gideon at 733-1423.

Who do I contact to rent the Ville, Social Space, etc.? We invite you to hold your next event here at St. Vincent. Casual or formal, small or large groups, our facility's unique design offers a variety of spaces and an excellent experience you and your guests will not soon forget. Our convenient location with plenty of parking makes us the perfect setting for your next event. You do not have to be a member of St. Vincent to rent our facility!

CONTACT: Kathleen Gideon at 733-1423 or email kathleen@svdpks.org

How do I sign up for online giving, Dillon's Community Rewards Program, or other giving opportunities? We are here to help with whatever your needs are.

CONTACT: Michele Carlini at 733-1423 or email michele@svdpks.org