

St. John Vianney Parish

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OUR MISSION

We, the Faith community of St. John Vianney, are called by God to be a people of prayer, to live the Word, and to celebrate the Sacraments. We commit ourselves to become a warm and welcoming community, reaching out to others in need. By calling forth the varieties of gifts, talents, and ministries, we seek to provide an open environment with opportunities for all to grow in holiness and loving service.

www.sjvflint.com (Church)

68th Anniversary

www.sjvkids.com (School)

Angels Outreach Ministry

We want to sincerely thank the St. John Vianney Parish for all of your kindness, generosity, and support given to the Angels Outreach Ministry for our 2009 Easter Party. We want to thank all of those who have donated. We want to thank all of our wonderful volunteers who came to help decorate the gym and who came to help at the party, you all did a great job and were a big help. We want to especially thank Fr. Tom Firestone for all of his support for the Angels Outreach Ministry. We truly appreciate the support and prayers we have received from St. John Vianney Parish. We had approximately 80 children from the community in attendance for our Easter Party. Other activities of the Angels Outreach Ministry are open gym, Camping Out With Jesus (C.O.W.J.). If you have any questions, comments, or feedback, please contact Susan Verdun at (810) 655-4059.

Thank you, Deacon Anthony and Susan Verdun

Parish Library...We have an excellent selection of books in our library. We have received some new books. Stop by and pick up a book, there are many books that will inspire and challenge us.

Parking on Bagley Street

Please make sure that when you park on the street that you do not park in front of someone's driveway. We have received complaints from our neighbors that this has been happening frequently as of late. Thank you for your consideration.

Novena of Masses



Mother's Day is a special day when we remember and thank all the significant women in our lives... mothers, grandmothers, sisters, aunts, women religious, etc. In the Church entrance you will find some Mass remembrance cards for Mother's Day which come with matching envelopes as well as offering envelopes. Complete the

offering envelope and drop it at the office or put it in the collection basket. There will be a special novena of Masses offered for all the intentions requested.

SJVS Schwinn Bike Raffle

Next weekend, April 25 and 26th there are going to be SJV School Parents in the gathering space selling Bike Raffle Tickets following each of the masses. The cost is \$3 for one ticket or \$5 for two to win either a men's or women's brand new Schwinn Bicycle! What a great opportunity to win a great bike and support the Karen Wolbert Playground at the same time! 100% of the proceeds support the playground thanks to the generosity of an SJV parishioner!

Tootsie Roll Drive



The Knights of Columbus Council 695 wishes to express their appreciation for your support with their Annual Tootsie Roll Drive, which supports the mentally and physically challenged. Our parish donation on Palm Sunday was \$738.00.

*Give thanks
to the Lord
for He is GOOD,
His love is EVERLASTING.*

Today's passage from Acts can seem like a quaint sentiment that has nothing to do with us today. "None of them ever claimed anything as his own...nor was there any needy among them." This does not strike most people as very practical - they have worked hard for what they have and feel that those in need should just work harder and make their own way. The problem is, that is not Christ's way and, if we would claim to be Christians, we must change our attitudes. We must learn to think about what is good for the whole community not just ourselves and our friends. We need to think about how we use our resources to benefit others. It is not a matter of giving things away but of helping people to discover and use their abilities. Charitable donations have a place but we need to give of ourselves - our time, our talents. What are you doing to build up the community?

*As the Father has sent me, so I send you.
- JOHN 20:21*

Please Pray For Our Parish Family, all who are sick, especially the shut-ins, the lonely and the bereaved, that they may be comforted. Please pray for the souls of all the faithful departed.



On April 25 and 26, all of us will have the opportunity to respond to the Diocesan Services Appeal. Please prayerfully consider your gift to support these important ministries. This year, 50% of all paid pledges in excess of our parish goal, will come back to our parish for local use.



Stewardship of Treasure, April 12, 2009	\$2,501.00
Easter Collection	\$9,822.30
Easter Loose Collection	\$575.70
Easter Visitors	\$203.50
Children's Stewardship (11 Envelopes)	\$11.00
Easter Flowers	\$65.00
Good Friday	\$1,129.00
Genesee Lenten Appeal	\$210.00
Book Rack	\$5.00
Total Weekly Collection	\$14,522.50
St. Vincent de Paul Poor Boxes	\$52.50

The Christian community described in Acts understood and practiced total stewardship. St. Paul reports that the believers did not claim anything as their own, but held everything in common, and distributed to each whatever was needed.



The family of Edward Krygrowski wishes to express their thanks and appreciation to everyone involved in making his funeral mass as special as it was. Also special thanks to the preparers of the funeral luncheon. We are truly blessed to belong to the St. John Vianney Family.

The Krygrowski Family

Congratulations, SJVS Flint Science Fair Winners!

Gabriela Guerra, 7th Grade: 3rd Place in Life Science = \$400 savings bond. Title: *Are Fingerprints Inherited?*

Jessica Arrington, 7th Grade: 5th Place in Life Science = \$200 savings bond. Title: *Which Plant Shoots are Better Maintained Using Chemical Solution, Water or Soil with Water?*

Casey Bielec, 6th Grade: Certificate from Flint Watershed Coalition. Title: *Soil Erosion*

Lauren Edmonds, 7th Grade: Certificate from Genesys Cellular and Molecular Biology Department. Title: *Which Metal?*

Katie Martin, 7th Grade: Certificate and Medallion for NOAA Taking Care of the Planet. Title: *Evaporation with Sugar and Salt*

Elena Waters, 6th Grade: Kenton E. Nieman Memorial Award. Title: *Plants and How They React to Microwaved Water*

Second Sunday of Easter

"They were of one heart and mind."

Acts 4

These beautiful readings for these next weeks remind us of our call as people of God today to follow the example of the earlier believers.

The first reading tells of the devotion of the early believers. It sounds like an impossible task but they responded to the Spirit guiding them. We too have that same Spirit and we are called to follow the example of the early community.

The second reading gives us truth that the love of God is given to us. Our baptism calls us to live that love in our lives. By the gifts of the Holy Spirit we are given the power to accept the call to live that love of God our love for others.

The gospel gives the account of Jesus standing with the apostles sharing the peace that only Jesus can give. We heard of Thomas doubting the event of Jesus' visit. By faith we too will know of the Risen Christ in our lives. We are also called to share that faith and love with others.

Let us pray as a community that we will be open to the call of the readings during these weeks of Easter joy and peace.

Sr. Eileen

A special word of thanks to all who helped to make our Easter a true experience of love and community. For all those who celebrate their journey of faith within the celebration of the Easter Sacrament. Those who helped prepare the hall and who served the gathering after the liturgy. Also a special word of thanks to Maureen Kelsey for sharing her faith with the students for confirmation.

**MONDAY, APRIL 20 - WEEKDAY**

10:30 a.m. Emmett and Genevieve Fox by Beverly and Family

TUESDAY, APRIL 21 - WEEKDAY

8:00 a.m. James Dubovsky Family by Tom and Mary Coyne

10:30 a.m. Kith Haven Mass - Doris Gazall by Aunt "Ike"

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 22 - WEEKDAY

10:30 a.m. Living and Deceased Benefactors of St. John Vianney's Memorial Fund

THURSDAY, APRIL 23 - WEEKDAY

8:00 a.m. Special Intentions for Helen Lengyel by son, Dave Lengyel

FRIDAY, APRIL 24 - WEEKDAY

10:30 a.m. Helen Ottman by Bob Ottman and Family

SATURDAY, APRIL 25 - VIGIL, THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER

4:00 p.m. Rose Jackovich by Ray and Linda Kerspilo

SUNDAY, APRIL 26 - THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER

8:00 a.m. Edmond Miller by Norma and Bernie McGaffigan

11:00 a.m. Jack Petrill (1st Anniversary) by his Family

7:00 p.m. Our St. John Vianney Parish Family

READINGS FOR APRIL 26**THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER**

ACTS 3:13-15, 17-19

PSALM 4

1 JOHN 2:1-5A

LUKE 24:35-48

Altar Care

Our Altar Care ministry has decided to go back to 5 teams of volunteers. You will no longer meet at a set time or day each week, you may come on the day and time that is convenient for you. Each week the Altar Care team will be listed in the bulletin for your convenience. Altar Care Team # 2 is schedule for the week of April 20-24. Thank you.

Prayer Chain Ministry

"Prayer Chain requests are welcome any time." Call Joyce at 810-630-0506, or Pat at 810-635-3716, or the church office at 235-1812. If you would like to have your request added to the bulletin so that more people can pray for you, please let the church office know. Thank you.

North End Soup Kitchen

There's still time for N.E.S.K. Volunteers to reserve a seat at this year's Volunteer Appreciation Dinner, Wednesday, April 22 from 3 to 5 p.m. This free event, held at Our Lady of Guadalupe Hall (G-2316 W. Coldwater Rd.), offers great food, door prizes and welcomes special guest Michigan Senator John J. Gleason. To make your reservation, contact Jon Manse at 810-785-6911 or jmanse@ccsgc.org today!

**MONDAY, APRIL 20**

School Resumes

5:30 p.m. Sacramental Prep Class (Rectory)

TUESDAY, APRIL 21

10:30 a.m. Kith Haven Mass

6:00 p.m. Our Lady of Perpetual Help (CH)

6:30 p.m. Gospel Choir Practice (CH)

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 22

8:00 a.m. St. Joseph Workers

9:00 a.m. Speaker for 2nd-5th grades (PC)

7:00 p.m. R.C.I.A.

THURSDAY, APRIL 23

10:00 a.m. Bible Study (CR)

6:00 p.m. Genesee County Land Bank (PC)

6:30 p.m. Choir Practice (CH)

FRIDAY, APRIL 24

10:30 a.m. School Mass

6:00 p.m. Daddy/Daughter Dance (PC)

6:30 p.m. Bingo - Fisher Hall (Team #1)

SATURDAY, APRIL 25

St. Vincent de Paul Clothing Collection
Truck in SJV parking lot

5:00 p.m. Sacrament of Reconciliation

SUNDAY, APRIL 26

St. Vincent de Paul Clothing Collection
Truck in SJV parking lot

11:00 a.m. F.R.E.P. First Communion

Altar Servers**Adult Server for April 20-24**

8:00 a.m. Larry Loje

Saturday, April 25

4:00 p.m. Mary Herman & Nolan Lawrence

Sunday, April 26

8:00 a.m. Mike McCarthy & Gerald Starkey

11:00 a.m. Andrew Bade & Nicholas Racette

7:00 p.m. Heather & Khrystal Lewis

Family Service Coordinator Needed

New and Old Calvary Catholic Cemeteries are looking for a full time Family Service Coordinator/Assistant Manager. Duties include, but not limited to, assisting families who visit the cemetery, attending committal services, data entry. Assists in supervision of grounds personnel. Some Saturdays are required. Send resume to Karen Beamer, Cemetery Manager, 4142 Flushing Rd., Flint, MI 48504, FAX 810-732-6630 or e-mail to kbeamer@dioceseoflansing.org. Deadline for resumes is April 27, 2009.

**Please Continue to Pray for Our Military and Their Families**

St. Luke N.E.W. Life Center Inc., 239-8710,
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