



# St. Vincent de Paul

## Catholic Church and Academy News

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April / May 2022

Dear Parishioners,

Apologies for the delay on the newsletters; Holy Week, Easter and the usual excuses...

With the approach of summer and a large change in routine for students and parents – mothers especially – it's good to consider a few guidelines that will help the summer to be a productive time. For students, it is important to remember that education is more than learning a few skills that will be useful later on, it is as well a development of character and spirit. To relax the schedule to an extent that basic habits of life are lost is damaging.

*Keep a schedule.* The summer vacation is meant to complement the work of education and not to destroy it. Schedule keeps a disciplined body, mind and soul. What things should be in that schedule?

- Jobs that contribute to the common good of the home
- Consistent bedtimes and wake times and meal times
- Common activities. This is not just for the sake of utility, more hands make lighter work, but also for the growth of the social virtues, especially that of charity. This applies to work as well as play.

*Keep activities which require effort.* Many things today conspire to make our children soft and unprepared for a responsible adult life.

- Reading will serve to foster mental toughness. Naturally, reading has many other benefits which improve human beings.
- Manual labor also may contribute to toughness of mind and will. As one gets tired of a job they have to exercise patience and perseverance until it is done.

Body and soul are only improved with hard work!

*Keep prayer and sacramental life!* The habit of coming to Church and school may diminish during the summer. In some ways the better reception of the sacraments is helped by the summer leisure when preparation and thanksgiving are not threatened by the busy school schedule. In the home, the family prayer is also best scheduled.

I wish you all a good and productive summer! Be assured of my continued prayers.

In Jesus, Mary and Joseph,

Fr. Michael Goldade

# Parish News

## 40 Hours Devotions

The 40 Hours devotions, traditionally held before Ash Wednesday, ended on Tuesday, March 1 with a High Mass, procession and reposition.



## St. Joseph's Table

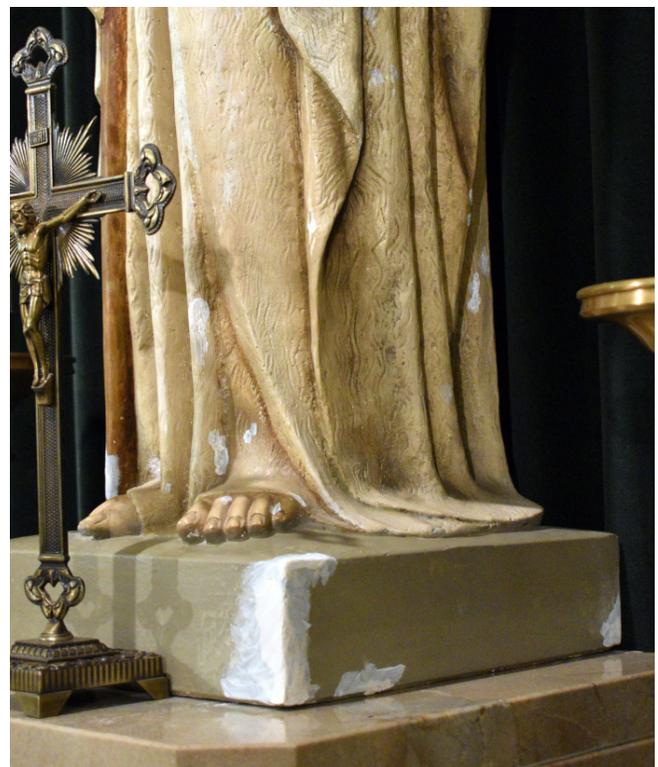
After two years, the parish was once again able to honor St. Joseph with the traditional St. Joseph's table on Sunday, March 20. The table raised funds for the poor box.



## Stations of the Cross and Statue Restoration

Mrs. Kim Walter has taken on the task of repairing and restoring the stations of the cross. The first beautifully restored station was returned prior to Lent.

Mr. Allen Sloan is working on repairing and painting the statue of St. Joseph at St. Joseph's altar.



## St. Vincent's Basketball League

The league championship game was played on Saturday, March 19. The morning opened with a game between the coaches vs. the All-Stars. The Turtlenecks and Bison then competed in the championship game, which was won by the Bisons.



## Organ Recital

Fourteen St. Vincent students (grades 3–9) performed on Monday, April 11, at 7:30 p.m. at KU in Lawrence, KS. The students were invited by our parish organist, Benton Schmidt, to assist in his organ recital in the impressive Bales Organ Recital Hall on the campus of KU.

The students sang the solemn tone of the *Salve Regina* interspersed with organ movements which were written to interpret each line of the prayer.



First Holy communions were held on Sunday, May 8.

# Academy News

## Flora Campus

The Forty Holy Martyrs Intramural Ultimate Frisbee Tournament was won by the undefeated Junior class.



## FIELD TRIPS

### I Build

The 5th, 6th and 8th grade boys visited the iBuild Showcase at Bartle Hall on April 5.

The Showcase gave students an opportunity to experience different aspects of the construction

industry. The students were able to participate in a variety of hands on activities.



### Watkins Woolen Mill

The 5th and 6th grade boys enjoyed a trip to the Watkins Mill in Lawson, Missouri on May 6. This is a preserved woolen mill dating to the mid-

19th century. The mill is protected as Watkins Woolen Mill State Historic Site, which preserves its machinery, business records and the building.



## Our Lady of Guadalupe Monastery

On April 22nd, the 11th and 12th grade boys embarked on a trip to Our Lady of Guadalupe Monastery in Silver City, New Mexico.

The boys, along with the chaperones Earl Ostertag and Bill Hamilton, rode Amtrak from Kansas City to Albuquerque, New Mexico. From there, they drove to the monastery, where they were met by Fr. Graves.



## Tracy Campus

### St. Patrick's Day

In celebration of the day, the 4th and 5th grade girls enjoyed a trip to the Steamboat Arabia.

Sr. Marie Louise's high school girls and Miss

Ostertag's 7 & 8 grade classes performed skits and musical numbers at the Tracy campus.





Ashes were also distributed to the students at the Tracy campus on Ash Wednesday by Father Trummer.



Parents were invited to attend the 6, 7, and 8th grade girls performance of *The Phantom Tollbooth*, on May 5. This was adapted by Fr. Graves from Norton Juster's book, and another stage adaptation.



The 2nd grade enjoyed a field trip to Deanna Rose Farmstead on May 4.



The 3rd grade visited Burr Oak Woods on May 5.



On May 11 the 1st grade took a field trip to Deanna Rose Farmstead.



## Mobile Music Box Outdoor Concert

On Wednesday evening, May 11th, the 6th and 7th grade girls enjoyed Symphony in the Park at Heritage Park, in Olathe, Kansas. The girls cooked dinner at school, and watched “The Transformative



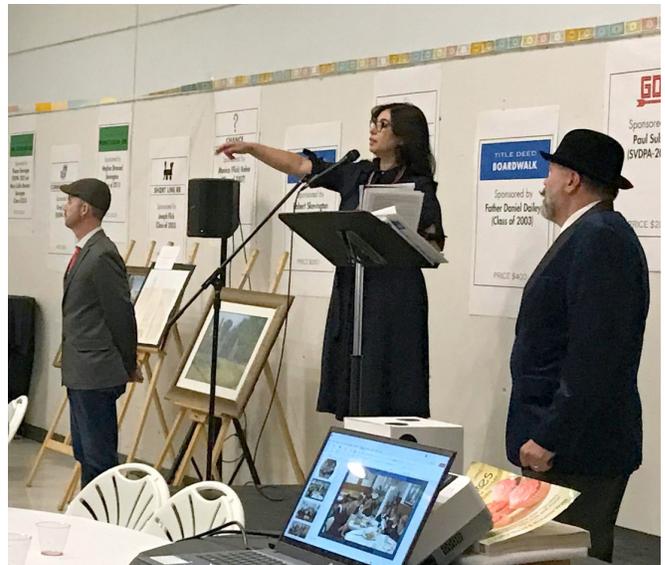
Power of Classical Music,” after which they attended the free outdoor Chamber Music concert by the Kansas City Symphony on their new Mobile Music Box stage.

## Academy Auction

The auction committee, led by Mrs. Adriene Foster, did an incredible job of making the Monopoly themed, auction a great success. The auction, held on April 30, celebrated the 30th anniversary of St. Vincent de Paul Academy.

Three of the four original teachers from 1991-1992, Mrs. Carol Shay, Mrs. Sheryl Janacaro, and Mrs. Susan Roth were in attendance. Unable to attend was Mrs. Mary Jane Klein. Many alumni supported the auction by purchasing Monopoly properties.

The auction raised \$103,000. Thank you to all who supported this event.



# St. Vincent de Paul Academy

1991 - 2022



1991-1992 — First class of St. Vincent de Paul Academy at the Flora location.

## PRINCIPALS

1982-88 Fr. Christopher Hunter	1993-95 Fr. Scott Allen	2011-15 Fr. Jordan Fahnestock
1988-90 Fr. James Doran	1995-96 Fr. Peter Scott	2015-16 Fr. Michael Goldade
1990-91 Fr. Scott Allen	1996-98 Fr. Steven Soos	2016-20 Fr. Dominic May
1991-92 Fr. James Doran	1998-2006 Fr. Kenneth Dean	2020-Present Fr. James Trummer
1992-93 Fr. Christopher Leith	2006-11 Fr. Damien Fox	



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## Upcoming Events

May 20	K - 6 grade Spring Concert
May 25	Field Day
May 26	No School - Feast of the Ascension
May 27	Graduation
June 2	Book Club
June 11	ARS appreciation lunch
June 24, 25, 26	<i>Lady Windermere's Fan</i>



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