

Weekly Bulletin

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SCHEDULES

Masses:

Saturday 5:00 PM
Sunday 9:00 AM

Confession:

Sunday 8:00AM-8:45AM

Eucharistic Adoration:

Friday 7:00PM-8:00PM

Religious Education:

Sunday 10:30AM-
12:00PM

1st Sat. of Month:

- Mass at 8:30AM
- Altar & Rosary Society
Meeting

Farewell

My Dear Friends,

When I first began to think of what I could write for this “farewell address,” I was inclined to attempt a subtle, eloquent text on a Scripture passage or a quote from Our Lord. Not particularly gifted at subtle, eloquent texts, I have decided instead to write a simple note of affection, gratitude, and indeed, love. I am quite sure you are relieved.

I remember vividly the moment I discovered I would be serving at “St. Vinny’s.” Seated at the Archbishop’s dining room with my classmates weeks before our ordination, we all nervously opened our assignment letters, letters that would dictate to us the Will of God. Unable to concentrate due to my nerves, my eyes fell first on the third line of the letter where the title “Saint Vincent de Paul” was found. At first, I thought this was the St. Vincent’s of Osseo. They too were in line to receive a new associate. My assumption was shattered when I read the words that preceded the name of this great parish of Frogtown - “with additional Hmong Ministry at...” What a providential surprise!

God was so good to allow me to begin my priesthood here at the “Cathedral of Frogtown.” (I want you to know that for me, St. Vincent’s will always have this title.) That letter only indicated a small fraction of what my life here at St. Vinny’s would be concerned with – so much more than mere “Hmong Ministry,” my time here has been dedicated to serving real, flesh and blood people, people with real struggles and triumphs, people whom God loves and leads, a people who have grown to mean much to me. So many of you have opened up your hearts to me and shown me that despite my own inadequacies and failures, I too can be loved. I have been invited into lives at times where only a few intimate companions are allowed access – moments of death, moral struggle, and tragedy. But I have been invited not because of who I am, but because of who I have been made to signify – Jesus Christ the Great High Priest. I cannot tell you the gratitude I have to Jesus Christ for calling me to this unmerited grace of the priesthood. I beg you for your constant prayers that I may always strive to conform my life to this holy mystery.

My dear friends, I will not forget you! For the rest of my life, I will proudly

To know, love and serve Jesus Christ

MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday 6/7

8:30 AM *Ralph Mikel Family*
5:00 PM *Don Weber*

Sunday 6/8

9:00 AM *People of the Parish*

Saturday 6/14

5:00 PM *Sean Byrne*

Sunday 6/15

9:00 AM *People of the Parish*

say that I began my priesthood at St. Vincent de Paul. I again ask you for your prayers and assure you of my own. I thank God for the gift that this community has been, and continues to be, in my life. May God be with you, and please, please, keep in touch!

St. Vincent de Paul, Pray for us!

In Christ, the Great High Priest,

Txiv Plig Erickson

GOSPEL READING AT MASS

Saturday 6/7 (Vigil)

Matthew 9: 9-13

Sunday 6/8

Matthew 9: 9-13

Monday 6/9

Matthew 5: 1-12

Tuesday 6/10

Matthew 5: 13-16

Wednesday 6/11

Matthew 5: 17-19

Thursday 6/12

Matthew 5: 20-26

Friday 6/13

Matthew 5: 27-32

Saturday 6/14 (AM)

Matthew 5: 33-37

Second Saturday Potluck Next Weekend

Remember....every second Saturday of the month all are invited to gather in Wellisch Hall for a simple potluck following the 5 PM Mass. Bring food to share!

Prayer For Vocations

Lord Jesus, as You once called the first disciples to make them fishers of men, let your sweet invitation continue to resound: Come follow Me!

Give young men and women the grace of responding quickly to your voice. Support our bishops, priests, and consecrated people in their apostolic labor.

Grant perseverance to our seminarians and to all those who are carrying out the ideal of a life totally consecrated to your service.

Awaken in our community a missionary eagerness. Lord, send workers to your harvest and do not allow humanity to be lost for the lack of pastors, missionaries, and people dedicated to the cause of the Gospel.

Mary, Mother of the Church, the model of every vocation, help us to say "yes" to the Lord who calls us to cooperate in the divine plan of salvation.

Pope John Paul II

Saturday Confession

Saturday Confession will be at the **Cathedral of Saint Paul** from 3:30PM-5:00PM

Lus ceeb toom

Vim tsis muaj tus teb xov
tooj hauv peb lub Tsev teev
Ntuj lawm, mas yog nej hu
tuaj, tus yuav teb xov tooj
yog tus khiav hauj lwm nyob
pem lub niam Tsev teev Ntuj
(Cathedral). Tso nej npe
thiab xov tooj, Txiv Plig
mam li hu rov rau nej.