

Third Sunday in Lent

March 08, 2026

# Saint Vincent de Paul Roman Catholic Church

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Rev. Michael P Reid II, Pastor

Sandra Clark, Director of Religious Education



Christ and the Samaritan Woman  
~ Henryk Siemiradzki (1890)

**Confessions:** Saturdays 9:00 a.m.; First Sundays between 9:00 a.m. and 10:00 a.m.; and by appointment

**Masses:** Saturday at 4:30 p.m.; Sunday at 7:30 a.m. & 10:30 a.m.; Monday through Friday at 8:00 a.m.; First Saturday at 8:00 a.m.; Holy Day Vigil at 5:30 p.m.; Holy Day at 8:00 a.m. and 7:00 p.m.; except Christmas, New Year

**Eucharistic Adoration:** Friday at 8:30 a.m. to 9:30 a.m.; First Sundays - Saturday at 3:30 p.m. to 4:30 p.m. and Sunday at 8:30 a.m. to 10:30 a.m.; 2nd Sunday at 2:00 p.m.

**Rosary:** Monday to Friday at 7:20 a.m.; Saturday at 4:00 p.m.; Sunday at 10:00 a.m.; 2nd Sunday at 2:00 p.m.

**Office Hours:** Monday through Thursday 8:30 a.m. to Noon, and 1:00 p.m. to 3:00 p.m.; Friday 9:30 a.m. to Noon, and 1:00 p.m. to 3:00 p.m.; Monday-Friday; Closed weekends, Holy Days & Holidays

**Parish Religious Education (K-8th):** 8:45 A.M. to 10:15 A.M. on Sundays, September - May. For more information please contact Sandra Clark: (717) 632-1461 or [smclark@pa.net](mailto:smclark@pa.net).

**Parish Thrift Shop:** Open Tuesdays, Wednesdays, Fridays, and Saturdays, 10:00 A.M. to 2:00 P.M. Located in the basement of the Parish Education Building. (717) 633-6198.

## Alternatives to Abortion:

call (717) 854-6285 or 1 (888) LIFE-AID [5433-243].

## Tender Care Pregnancy Consultation Services:

600 John Street, Hanover, PA;

Text (717) 862-7050; Call (717) 633-1200;

[Jackie@tendercare.org](mailto:Jackie@tendercare.org); [Lori@tendercare.org](mailto:Lori@tendercare.org)

## Help After Abortion:

Project Rachel (717) 857-2282; [prm@hbgdiocese.org](mailto:prm@hbgdiocese.org)

## Suicide and Crisis Hotline: 988

**Anointing of Sick:** If you, or your loved one, is going to be admitted to or is in the hospital and would like to receive the Anointing of the Sick, Confession, Holy Eucharist, or a visit from clergy or parishioner, then you MUST call the parish office.

**Baptisms:** will be scheduled on an individual basis; generally, Baptisms are celebrated Sundays at 12:30 P.M. A sacramental preparation class is required of parents and godparents.

**Weddings: Engaged couples:** please contact the Parish Office at least one year before the anticipated date of your wedding. We are looking forward to working with you as you prepare yourself spiritually for the Sacrament of Matrimony.

*Mass Intentions This Week*



**SAT MARCH 07**

8:00 am Juanita de Tlalixaquilla  
**9:00 am Sacrament of Reconciliation**

**VIGIL: 3RD SUNDAY IN LENT**

4:00 pm Rosary  
 4:30 pm Deceased Members of the Conrad & Bunty Families

**SUN MARCH 08 3RD SUNDAY IN LENT**

7:30 am People of the Parish  
 10:00 am Rosary  
 10:30 am MaryAnn Smith  
 2:00 pm **Family Holy Hour** with **Children's Rosary**

**MON MARCH 09 St. Frances of Rome, Religious**

8:00 am Fr. John Schmalhofer

**TUE MARCH 10**

8:00 am Kelly Noppenberger

**WED MARCH 11**

8:00 am Jacob Buffington



**THU MARCH 12**

8:00 am Meghan Sterett

**FRI MARCH 13**

8:00 am R. Joseph & Dolores Lawrence  
 8:30 am Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament +  
 9:30 am Benediction Adoration

**SAT MARCH 14**

**9:00 am Sacrament of Reconciliation**

**VIGIL: 4TH SUNDAY OF LENT**

4:00 pm Rosary  
 4:30 pm People of the Parish

**SUN MARCH 15 4TH SUNDAY OF LENT**

7:30 am Dale Shrader  
 10:00 am Rosary  
 10:30 am Stephen Lawrence

Everyone is encouraged to gather for the  
**ROSARY ON THE SQUARE IN NEW OXFORD**  
 to pray for America and the world at 12 Noon  
 this coming Saturday, March 14.

**VOCATIONS**

"Whoever drinks the water I shall give will never thirst."  
 (John 4:14)

Only Jesus can satisfy the deepest desires of our hearts. When we encounter Him, our lives overflow with the living water of grace. Some are called to share that grace as priests, religious brothers or sisters, or consecrated virgins. Could God be inviting you to share His living water with others? Talk to your priest or reach out to the Vocation Office at (717) 657-4804 ext. 282 or via email: vocations@hbgdiocese.org.



*Parish Life This Week*

**SUN MARCH 08**

10:00 am - Rosary / Church

**MON MARCH 09**

7:20 am - Rosary / Church

**TUE MARCH 10**

7:20 am - Rosary / Church  
 10:00 am - Thrift Shop open until 2:00 pm  
 6:00 pm - PCCW Meeting /Library

**WED MARCH 11**

7:20 am - Rosary / Church  
 10:00 am - Thrift Shop open until 2:00 pm  
**6:30 pm - Stations of the Cross**  
 7:00 pm - HDCCW Rosary / Zoom - Telephone - Home

**THU MARCH 12**

7:20 am - Rosary / Church

**FRI MARCH 13**

7:20 am - Rosary / Church  
 8:30 am - Holy Hour: Adoration  
 10:00 am - Thrift Shop open until 2:00 pm  
 12.Noon - Legion of Mary Praesidium / Library  
**2:00 pm - Stations of the Cross**  
 6:00 pm - OCIA, *Credo* / Rectory

**SAT MARCH 14**

**10:00 am - PARISH PENANCE SERVICE**  
 10:00 am - Thrift Shop open until 2:00 pm  
 1:30 pm - Lenten Reflection / Church Hall  
 ~ The Three Principles of Lent ~  
 4:00 pm - Rosary / Church

**REQUIESCAT IN PACE**

In the charity of your prayers  
 please remember our sister in Christ,

**Evelyn Keith,**

loving wife of the late Robert Keith,

May she rest in the peace of Christ  
 and with the fellowship of the saints in Heaven. Amen.

**Fiscal Year 2025-2026**

**Sunday Offerings: February 2026**  
**Thank you for your support of our Parish.**

Date	Offering	Budgeted	Difference
Feb 01 <sup>st</sup>	\$ 8,391.34	\$ 7,800.00	\$ 591.34
Feb 08 <sup>th</sup>	\$ 7,119.00	\$ 7,800.00	(\$ 681.00)
Feb 15 <sup>th</sup>	\$ 9,706.50	\$ 7,800.00	\$ 1,906.50
Feb 22 <sup>nd</sup>	\$ 7,850.66	\$ 7,800.00	\$ 50.66
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$ 33,067.50</b>	<b>\$ 31,200.00</b>	<b>\$ 1,867.50</b>
Propagation of the Faith Collection			\$ 1,257.00
Black and Indian Mission Collection			\$ 1,179.00

**Our Sunday offerings are the primary source of income to support our Parish and its ministries.**

## LITURGICAL MINISTERS SCHEDULE

EMofHC

Lector

Altar Servers

### March 07 / 08

4:30 p.m.	H. Strausbaugh	M. Lybarger	B. Wildasin
7:30 a.m.	M. Frye	C. Caracino	T. & V. Caracino
10:30 a.m.	J. Oparanozie	J. Mundorff	N. Brinkerhoff, B. Poole

### March 14 / 15

4:30 p.m.	H. Strausbaugh	M. Lybarger	A. & T. Kuhn
7:30 a.m.	J. Smith	I. Walsh	T. & V. Kuhn
10:30 a.m.	J. Oparanozie	J. Krill	C. Oparanozie, R. Ebert

## FEASIBILITY STUDY - STEIERGROUP SURVEY LINK

Our vision is bold and clear - enhance what we do well and plant the seeds that will shift us from maintenance to fulfilling our mission, confident that the Holy Spirit is leading us into a new chapter of faith. We are considering a diocesan-wide campaign aimed at addressing immediate needs and strengthening funding for our ministries for the years ahead, including: igniting faith formation and evangelization, strengthening Catholic education, investing in vocations, bolstering Catholic Charities, completing the restoration of our Cathedral, providing care to aging and sick priests, enhancing services and supporting parish priorities.

Share your feedback on these important initiatives by completing the feasibility study survey at: [steiergroup.com/survey](http://steiergroup.com/survey) or scan the QR code below and select Roman Catholic Diocese of Harrisburg.

To learn more information and to find the official Diocesan factsheet, please visit our website [svparish.org](http://svparish.org) and follow the link on our Home Page. Physical copies of the factsheet will be available in the back of church.



## Saint Vincent de Paul Roman Catholic Church

### Identity

We are a messianic people established by Christ as a communion of life, charity and truth.

### Mission

We are at work with Christ as His instruments for the redemption of all. We are sent forth by Christ into the whole world as the light of the world and the salt of the earth.

## IMMACULATE HEART OF MARY FISH FRY FRIDAYS

Join us Friday, March 20th at Immaculate Heart of Mary's Social Hall (6084 W. Canal Rd., Abbottstown) from **4:45 - 6:45 pm**. Stations of the Cross will be held at the church at 7 pm.

## CATHOLIC CHARITIES SEEKS VOLUNTEERS

Catholic Charities Harrisburg needs volunteer classroom aides and tutors for our virtual Adult English Language learning program. Both morning and evening times are available. The time commitment is 2 hours a week. All necessary training is provided and volunteers must be 18 or older. Please contact Katie at [kmartin@cchbg.org](mailto:kmartin@cchbg.org) or 717-329-6139 to learn more.

NEIGHBORS

*Helping*

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### PROVIDE-A-LUNCH

White/Wheat Bread Loaves, Hot Dog / Hamburger Rolls, Coffee Creamer, Splenda or other Sweetener

**\*Please no expired food donations**

### RUTH'S HARVEST

Small Canned Vegetables, Single Serve Fruit Cups, Single Serve Cereal, Single Serve Mac & Cheese, Individual Non-Perishable Food Items

### MEALS-ON-WHEELS

Adult Wet Wipes, Dried Fruit Snacks (no nuts), Pudding Cups, Fruit Cups, Applesauce, Snack-size Chips or Pretzels, Single-serve Microwavable Foods (mac-n-cheese, ravioli, etc.)

### CHANGING LIVES SHELTER

Non-perishable Individual Microwaveable Meals, Individual Bags of Snacks and Drink Mixes, Personal Hygiene Items, Feminine Hygiene Products, Deodorant, Shampoo, Conditioner, Body Wash, Hairbrushes

### GOD'S MEAL BARREL

Toothbrushes and toothpaste.

## LENTEN MORNING OF REFLECTION

At Immaculate Heart of Mary in Abbottstown, Sunday, March 28th from 9am - Noon. If you are interested in attending, please contact Sister Rosanne at 717-259-0611 or email [rkarmazin2011@gmail.com](mailto:rkarmazin2011@gmail.com).

## CELEBRATING LIFE

Love for God is not just a feeling—it becomes real through action. When you serve with love, you become His hands, offering Christ to the world in tangible, life-giving ways. Do your actions show that you not only serve out of duty, but out of love for God and His people?

## My Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

From a treatise on John by Saint Augustine, bishop (Tract. 15, 10-12, 16-17: CCL 36, 154-156)

### A Samaritan woman came to draw water.

*A woman came.* She is a symbol of the Church not yet made righteous. Righteousness follows from the conversation. She came in ignorance, she found Christ, and he enters into conversation with her. Let us see what it is about, let us see why *a Samaritan woman came to draw water.* The Samaritans did not form part of the Jewish people: they were foreigners. The fact that she came from a foreign people is part of the symbolic meaning, for she is a symbol of the Church. The Church was to come from the Gentiles, of a different race from the Jews.

We must then recognise ourselves in her words and in her person, and with her give our own thanks to God. She was a symbol, not the reality; she foreshadowed the reality, and the reality came to be. She found faith in Christ, who was using her as a symbol to teach us what was to come. *She came then to draw water.* She had simply come to draw water; in the normal way of man or woman.

*Jesus says to her: Give me water to drink. For his disciples had gone to the city to buy food. The Samaritan woman therefore says to him: How is it that you, though a Jew, ask me for water to drink, though I am a Samaritan woman? For Jews have nothing to do with Samaritans.*

The Samaritans were foreigners; Jews never used their utensils. The woman was carrying a pail for drawing water. She was astonished that a Jew should ask her for a drink of water, a thing that Jews would not do. But the one who was asking for a drink of water was thirsting for her faith.

*Listen now and learn who it is that asks for a drink. Jesus answered her and said: If you knew the gift of God, and who it is that is saying to you, "Give me a drink", perhaps you might have asked him and he would have given you living water.*

He asks for a drink, and he promises a drink. He is in need, as one hoping to receive, yet he is rich, as one about to satisfy the thirst of others. He says: *If you knew the gift of God.* The gift of God is the Holy Spirit. But he is still using veiled language as he speaks to the woman and gradually enters into her heart. Or is he already teaching her? What could be more gentle and kind than the encouragement he gives? *If you knew the gift of God, and who it is that is saying to you, "Give me a drink", perhaps you might ask and he would give you living water.*

What is this water that he will give if not the water spoken of in Scripture: *With you is the fountain of life?* How can those feel thirst who *will drink deeply from the abundance in your house?*

He was promising the Holy Spirit in satisfying abundance. She did not yet understand. In her failure to grasp his meaning, what was her reply? *The woman says to him: Master, give me this drink, so that I may feel no thirst or come here to draw water.* Her need forced her to this labor, her weakness shrank from it. If only she could hear those words: *Come to me, all who labor and are burdened, and I will refresh you.* Jesus was saying this to her, so that her labors might be at an end; but she was not yet able to understand.<sup>1</sup>

Live for God.

Be transformed by His Grace.

Go and make disciples.

Peace in Christ, *Father Michael*

<sup>1</sup> <https://www.liturgies.net/Liturgies/Catholic/loh/lent/week3sundayor.htm>



### THE ADAMS DEANERY PERPETUAL ADORATION CHAPEL

Announcement line: 717-632-2154

The Adoration Chapel has

**11 open hours** for adorers:

Monday: 6pm; 11pm

Thursday: 9am; 8pm; 9pm; 11pm

Friday: 5am

Saturday: 1am; 1pm; 6pm; 7pm

If you desire to give one hour a week in prayer to our Lord in the Eucharist, please contact Maxine Staub at 717-637-5683.

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SAMARITAN	SYCHAR	JACOB
JOSEPH	WELL	WOMAN
WATER	DRINK	JEW
BUCKET	CATTLE	HUSBAND

