

ST. VINCENT de PAUL CATHOLIC CHURCH WELCOMES YOU!
March 5, 2017 - First Sunday of Lent

Pastoral Administrator: Father Ken Fortener, 104 Church St., New Hope, KY. 40052, 502-549-5559

Baptisms/Matrimony: Contact Father Ken (weddings call at least 6 months before the date)

Confessions: First Saturday/Sunday of the month

MASS SCHEDULES

St. Ann's	St. Vincent de Paul
Thursday morning – 8:30 am	Mon.Tues.Wed – 8:00 am
Friday morning - 8:30 am	Saturday evening – 4:00 pm
Sunday morning - 10:00 am	Sunday morning - 8:00 am
Confessions - 6:00 pm 4 th Thurs.	Confessions – 3:15 pm 1 st Sat. of the month

MASS INTENTIONS/LITURGICAL ROLES (Mar. 6-12, 2017)

Mon. 8:00 am People of the Parishes; **Tues. 8:00 am** Elizabeth Ann Gribbons **Wed. 8:00 am** People of the Parishes

Saturday 4:00 Paul & Miriam Dawson Hagan; Charles W. Dant, Joe Brown, **Sunday 8:00 am** Joe Eddie Mouser
Nancy Nally, Buddy Taylor, Doug, Hester & Jimbo Masterson, Jeff Rea Jeanine Thompson (health)
Margaret Walker

Sat. Lector: volunteers

Sun. Lector: Wanda Davis

Eucharistic Ministers: Diane Gant, Jane Sims, Kathleen Burba Mary Lee Bray, Anna Burd, Kevin Mattingly

COLLECTIONS

2/26/17: \$1614.00

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*Lent is not a Season of Guilt, since Lent is **not** simply closed in on itself. Rather, the ultimate focus of Lent is reading ourselves ready for the Easter Event or Happening. Hence, it is a Season of Opportunity. It is a Season of Growth. It is a Season for the reflection on the fact that Life is about God and not about me. It is a Season about reflecting on the first of two-fold commandment that Jesus put forth in Matthew. Or to properly answer Jesus' question in John's Gospel: "Do you love me more than these?" Yes, it is a Season of Penance and of purging ourselves of every thing that is getting in the way of our relationship with Jesus, so we can fully embrace the Risen Lord, who is our Divine Lover this Easter Day of April 16th. That is why the ultimate focus of Lent is not Lent or penance, but the celebration of Jesus' Resurrection on Easter Sunday. Our acts of abstaining from meat, fasting, almsgiving and prayer are simply the tools the Church gives us to complete our journey and to arrive at the Easter Event properly disposed to embrace the Risen Lord. I will pray for you during this Season of Lent that you may grow ever closer to Christ the Risen Lord. Peace, Father Ken*

CONFESSIONS: Father Ken hears confessions on the 1st Sunday of month or upon request: Just call and come over.

CHURCH CLEANER /SACRISTANS: Church cleaners for **MARCH** Vicki Bryan, Mary Louise Monaghan & January Medley; Sacristan **VOLUNTEER NEEDED.**

PARISH WEBSITE: Our parish website is www.stvincentdepaulnewhope.org.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION: Religious education classes will meet this Wednesday at 6:00–7:00.

PARISH CENTER: Please, pray, reflect, and the offer your pledge for the Parish Center.

STATIONS OF THE CROSS: There will be Stations of the Cross on **Fridays at 6:00 pm.**

OUR FISH FRY!: Purchase fish dinners at the New Hope Food Mart during Lent, ask for a prayer card then turn the card in to Father or drop it in the collection basket and we will redeem it for the Church.

BAZAAR NUMBER 5!: Remember that on **Monday, March 6**, the Bazaar Ladies will continue working on the papier mache ornaments. No need to bring any supplies - everything is provided for you...just show up at **4:30** and join the fun.

CSA: Congratulations on the steady progress St. Vincent de Paul has made in the 2016 Catholic Services Appeal. We reached our financial goal and are SO CLOSE to reaching our participation goals. We only need 2 more donor households to reach that goal.

PLEASE PRAY: Please pray for our sick and shut-ins: Rose Lamkin, Martha Hutchins, Patsy Boone, Jaunita Mattingly, Kathleen Clark, Jake Wood (grandson of Andy & Barbara Sue Hall), Bobby Haydon, Sonny Morris, Agnes Williamson, Frank Masterson, Martha Bowling, Aline Thompson, Peggy Nalley, Scotty Norman, Jenny Leanhart, Lillian Ball, Laverne Masterson, Louise Morris, Randy Pinkston, Lisa Hutchins Caldwell, Sharon Lanham, Mary Evelyn Mattingly, Mitch Rust, Nora (Bunch) Mattingly, Paul Vittitow, Nancy Newton, Otis Norman, Flip Vittitow, Don Waymon, and the intentions in our book.