



ST. VINCENT DE PAUL CATHOLIC CHURCH

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The parish business office is closed on Friday.

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Rev. Fr. Adrian Pleus

Pastor

Rev. Fr. Omar Loggiodice

Priest in Residence

Rev. Mr. Jose Perez

Senior Deacon

Pray for the repose of the soul
of Rev. Mr. Steve Bek
(1945 - 2017)

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Senior Deacon

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December 21, 2025

Fourth Sunday of Advent



Holy Mass—Baptism—Marriage

Saturday: 4:00 p.m. **Sunday:** 9:00 a.m., 12 noon, 3:00 p.m. (En Español)

Weekday Holy Masses: Our weekday Holy Mass schedule and Reconciliation times are subject to change due to Holy Days of Obligation, Penance Services, etc. With that in mind we ask that you refer to our Parish Calendar, at the end of this Bulletin, the website, or call for current information.

Baptism: Parents who desire to have their child(ren) baptized must be established registered parishioners and complete a preparation class. The baptism will be scheduled once the required documentation has been received in the parish office.

Marriage: Marriage is a very important Sacrament. There are requirements for a marriage in the Church. We require six (6) months of preparation time. The wedding date should be determined in the presence of the celebrant. Please call the parish office for more information. **Note: Weddings are scheduled on Saturdays at 11:00 a.m. or 12 noon.**

Date	Holy Mass Intentions	Readings
Saturday December 20 <i>Fourth Sunday of Advent</i>	4:00 p.m. + John Costa	Isaiah 7: 10-14 Psalm 24: 1-6 Romans 1: 1-7 Matthew 1: 18-24
Sunday December 21 <i>Fourth Sunday of Advent</i>	9:00 a.m. Parishioners (Living & Deceased) 12 noon + Deacon Steve Bek 3:00 p.m. + Eduardo Emilio Garcia de La Cadena	Isaiah 7: 10-14 Psalm 24: 1-6 Romans 1: 1-7 Matthew 1: 18-24
Monday December 22	12 noon + Roger Gaudette	1 Samuel 1: 24-28 (Psalm) 1 Samuel 2: 1, 4-8d Luke 1: 46-56
Tuesday December 23 <i>Saint John of Kanty, Priest</i>	12 noon + Maria Oda	Malachi 3: 1-4, 23-24 Psalm 25: 4-5b, 8-10, 14 Luke 1: 57-66
Wednesday December 24 <i>Vigil of the Nativity of the Lord</i>	4:00 p.m. Parishioners (Living & Deceased) 6:30 p.m. The Pleus and Loggiodice families	Isaiah 62: 1-5 Psalm 89: 4-5, 16-17, 27, 29 Acts 13: 16-17, 22-25 Matthew 1: 1-25
Thursday December 25 <i>The Nativity of the Lord</i>	10:30 a.m. Staff and Volunteers of SVdP	Isaiah 52: 7-10 Psalm 98: 1-6 Hebrews 1: 1-6 John 1: 1-18
Friday December 26 <i>Saint Stephen, the First Martyr</i>		Acts 6: 8-10; 7: 54-59 Psalm 31: 3cd-4, 6, 8ab, 16bc-17 Matthew 10: 17-22
Saturday December 27 <i>Saint John, Apostle, Evangelist</i>		1 John 1: 1-4 Psalm 97: 1-2, 5-6, 11-12 John 20: 1a, 2-8

Readings for Sunday, December 28
The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph

Sirach 3: 2-6, 12-14
Psalm 128: 1-5
Colossians 3: 12-21
Matthew 2: 13-15, 19-23



The Fatima Prayer

O my Jesus, forgive us our sins, save us from the fires of hell, and lead all souls to heaven, especially those in most need of Thy mercy. Amen.



Flowers for The Altar

(For 12-20/21) Flowers for the Altar were donated in memory of Jose Cadima
(For 12-24/25) Flowers for the Altar were donated in honor of and in memory of the Chisholm & Roesch families



If you would like to donate flowers for the altar, in honor of or in memory of a loved one, please contact a member of the office staff during business hours, Monday-Thursday. The donation for flowers is \$50.

DECEMBER PRAYER INTENTION:
For Christians in areas of Conflict

Let us pray that Christians living in areas of war or conflict, especially in the Middle East, might be seeds of peace, reconciliation, and hope.



For all our Dearly Beloved Departed



The names of those who have recently passed from this life to the next will remain on the bulletin necrology for nine weeks. They will then be transferred to the permanent parish necrology, also known as the Book of the Dead. Mass Intentions for loved ones after this time will be printed the week that the Holy Mass is scheduled.

Lord Jesus, remember especially in loving mercy:

Charlie Kirk, C.G. Garcia, Jennifer Heit, Ryan Heit, Dr. Joseph Chibundu, Dawn Scannell, Viet Nguyen, Deceased Members of the Hommick family, Rick Dannehold, John Costa, Deacon Steve Bek, Eduardo Emilio de La Cadena, Roger Gaudette, Maria Oda, Deceased Parishioners of SVdP,



The Sacrament of Baptism

We are happy to assist with planning your child(ren)'s Baptism.



Parents and Godparents are required to attend an online Baptism preparation class.

Email kvondebur@svdpatl.com to register for the class and for the required forms. Please note:

- ***Baptisms will not be scheduled until parents and Godparents have attended the class and all paperwork has been turned in.***
- ***Paperwork includes a St. Vincent de Paul Parish Registration Packet (if the family is not already registered), the Baptism Registration Form and Sponsor Certificates for both Godparents.***
- ***For children who are seven or older, there is a program known as the [Order of Christian Initiation for Adults Adapted for Children](#) that is required.*** Please contact Mary Ware at mware@svdpatl.com for details.



Knights of Columbus



The Knights of Columbus is an international order of Catholic men called to lead with faith, protect our families, serve others and defend values in a busy, changing world. You will find Knights of Columbus membership brings Catholic men together in a powerful way. If you would like to join today, simply visit:

KofC.org/joinus and enter our council #12287.

Congratulations to our December

**Knight of the Month Paul Mazzuca
and
Family of the Month winner
Adolfo & Hilda Fuentes**



IN YOUR PRAYERS



To request prayers for yourself, or for loved ones who are sick, or who have special intentions, please print the name(s) clearly in the Book of Petitions, which is located on the information table in the Narthex. Prayer intentions will be listed in the Bulletin for one week and will remain in the Book of Petitions for a period of six months.

Please pray for:

Fr. Adrian Pleus, Fr. Omar Loggiodice, Fr. Selvaraj, Mrs. Werner Pleus, Virginia Loggiodice, Olga S. Torres, Sister Mary Treasure of Innocence, Marylou Bishop, Walt Reisinger, Natalie Giles and Baby, Carmen Amodio, Marguerite Avery, Richard Coleman, Tom Early, Lenny DePerno, George Marks, Patty Gilmer, Hommick Family, Nancy Lloret, Darlene Matoni, Mason Lloret, Benedetto Denigris, John Lloret, Marie and Hyppolite Renous,

and all of our family and friends who are ill or in need of prayer, but not listed. We ask the Lord to grant them comfort and healing.

From St. Faustina's Diary

Part I: With a Sinful Soul

The Goodness of God.



The mercy of God, hidden in the Blessed Sacrament, the voice of the Lord who speaks to us from the throne of mercy: Come to Me, all of you.



Conversation of the Merciful God with a Sinful Soul.

Jesus: **Be not afraid of your Savior, O sinful soul. I make the first move to come to you, for I know that by yourself you are unable to lift yourself to Me. Child, do not run away from your Father; be willing to talk openly with your God of mercy who wants to speak words of pardon and lavish His graces on you. How dear your soul is to Me! I have inscribed your name upon My hand; you are engraved as a deep wound in My Heart** (Diary, 1485).

Soul: Your response.

My Prayer Response With St. Faustina

Lord Jesus, reach out to us sinful souls. Take the first steps toward us. In our need and shame, we are afraid to approach You. So, please draw us with compassionate mercy to Your loving Heart.

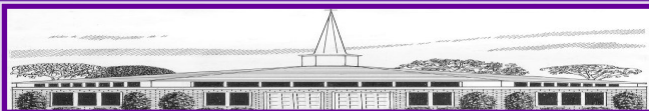
The words of Jesus appear in boldface type .

FIRST FRUITS OF OUR LABOR

December 6-7, 2025

Saturday	4:00 p.m.	\$1,796.00	142
Sunday	9:00 a.m.	\$1,216.00	295
Sunday	12:00 noon	\$1,694.50	293
Sunday	3:00 p.m.	\$ 241.00	90
Mail-In		\$ 970.00	
Offertory Online		\$ 7695.00	
Total Offertory		\$13,612.50	820
2nd Collection Retirement Fund for Religious		\$ 1,633.01	

Thank you for your generosity!



Gospel Reading—Sunday, December 21, 2025

Matthew 1:18-24

An angel appears to Joseph, directing him to take Mary as his wife and telling him that the child she will bear will be called Emmanuel.

The Gospel of Matthew tells the story of the birth of Jesus from Joseph's perspective. Today's Gospel passage is the second movement in this story. In the preceding verses of the first chapter of Matthew's Gospel, the Evangelist has listed the genealogy of Jesus, tracing his lineage through King David to Abraham. In the chapter to follow, Matthew tells of the visit from the Magi, the Holy Family's flight into Egypt, and Herod's massacre of the infants in Bethlehem. (The other stories which we associate with Christmas, the Annunciation, the Visitation, the angel and the shepherds, are found in the Gospel of Luke).

We must not gloss over too quickly the difficult circumstances described in today's Gospel. The way that Joseph and Mary face these circumstances tells us much about these holy people and their faith in God. Joseph and Mary are betrothed to be married. This is sometimes described as an engagement period, but it is more than that. Betrothal in first century Jewish culture was in fact the first part of the marriage contract. A breach of this contract was considered adultery. Mary is found to be with child. If adultery is proven, the punishment might be death. Joseph has rights under Mosaic law, but chooses to act discreetly in his plans to break the marriage contract, so as to protect Mary. Then God intervenes.

The message of the angel of the Lord given to Joseph in his dream tells us much about the child that Mary bears and his role in God's plan. He is conceived by the Holy Spirit. His name will be Jesus, which in the Hebrew means "Yahweh saves." He will be the fulfillment of the prophecy heard in today's first reading from Isaiah: "... The virgin shall be with child . . . and shall name him Emmanuel [God with us]."

Joseph does as the angel of the Lord directs. He takes Mary to be his wife and accepts the child in her womb as his own. Joseph and Mary are both cooperative with God's plan. They are both models for us of what it means to be faithful servants of God.

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Here Today

The Discalced Carmelite Saints
Saint John of the Cross
1542-1591- *Feast Day Dec 14*

My soul is occupied, And all my substance in His service;
Now I guard no flock, Nor have I any other employment:
My sole occupation is love.

-Spiritual Cantic-



2025 Archbishop's Annual Appeal

St. Vincent de Paul's 2025 Parish Goal: \$ 38,100.00
Donations Received: \$ 44,740.00
Amount **Over (Under)** Goal: (\$ 6,640.10)

Current Number of Donors for 2025: 181

Percentage of Goal Received: 117.43%

(As of December 8, 2025)

THE ST. VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY

770-443-1533

Holiday Thrift Store Hours are:

M-F 9:00 A.M.-6:00 P.M. SAT 10:00 A.M.-4:00 P.M.

The Dallas SVDP Job Bank

is looking for companies interested in hiring people who are unemployed or underemployed.

Please contact Bill Hew with the information at
billhew@svdpsocietydallas.org to provide the
following information:

The name of the hiring company, Jobs or positions to be filled, Application process –application form, resume, etc.

Assistance provided to 122 families/185 individuals

In November:

- \$ 7,590.85 in Food for 107 families
- \$ 829.90 in Housing Expenses
- \$ 3,497.78 in Transportation Expenses
- \$ 9,321.28 in Utilities
- \$ 432.75 in Clothing

Ministry Schedule: December 27-28, 2025, January 1, 2026

	Set-Up	Deacon/ Livestream	Lector	Eucharistic Minister/ EMOHC/ special positions	Guardian	Usher	Servers (Senior Server, Candle Bearer/ Paten, etc.)
Saturday 4:00 PM	Millie Reisinger		Deb Heinrich	Mary Marks	Regina Harding	Skip Heinrich	<i>Volunteer Needed</i>
					Roberta Binns	Ryan Trafton	<i>Volunteer Needed</i>
Sunday 9:00 AM	Millie Reisinger	<u>Livestream</u> Stephen Hartdegen	Therese Lawlor	JoAnne Burch	Millie Reisinger	Ken Bishop	<i>Volunteer Needed</i>
					Marylou Bishop	Cliff Grimm	<i>Volunteer Needed</i>
						Dennis Mahon	<i>Volunteer Needed</i>
Sunday 12 Noon	Millie Reisinger		Matthew Byrd	John Ngeh	Maria Stormont	Antoine Tsoungui	Donald Gettemy
					Nancy Lojo	Don Imbordino Jim Stormont	Vincent Gettemy
Sunday 3:00 PM	Vielka Jordan	<u>Deacon</u> Jose Perez	Vielka Jordan	Asistente 1 Inmar D. Romero	Juan Guardado	Alicia Vento	Crucifero Luis Garcia
				Asistente 2 William Alvarado	Maira Rodriguez	Gabriel Londono	Cirial 1 Darwin Monterroso
Thursday 12 noon	Millie Reisinger	<u>Deacon</u> Jimmy Williams	Matthew Byrd	Deacon Jimmy Williams	Millie Reisinger	<i>Volunteer Needed</i>	<i>Volunteer Needed</i>
					<i>Volunteer Needed</i>	<i>Volunteer Needed</i>	<i>Volunteer Needed</i>

Memorare

Remember, O most gracious Virgin Mary, that never was it known that anyone who fled to thy protection, implored thy help or sought thine intercession was left unaided. Inspired by this confidence, I fly unto thee, O Virgin of virgins, my mother; to thee do I come, before thee I stand, sinful and sorrowful. O Mother of the Word Incarnate, despise not my petitions, but in thy mercy hear and answer me. *Amen.*

The Archdiocese of Atlanta's 24 hour Abuse Reporting—Hotline number is 1-888-437-0764.

Archdiocese of Atlanta's Reporting Abuse webpage:
<https://archatl.com/offices/child-and-youth-protection/reporting-abuse/>

The Division of Family and Children Services: Report child abuse and neglect by phone to:
 1-855-GA CHILD



SVdP Christmas Season Mass Schedule-2025



December 24: Vigil at 4:00 p.m. and 6:30 p.m.

Christmas Carols will be sung beginning 30 minutes prior to the start of Holy Mass

Christmas - December 25: Christmas Day at 10:30 a.m.

Christmas Carols will be sung beginning 30 minutes prior to the start of Holy Mass

Solemnity of Mary The Mother of God - January 1, 2025, at 12 noon

**OCIA—ROOM B in the OLG RE Building
At 1:30 P.M. on Sundays
following the noon
Holy Mass**

December 21, 28 — Christmas Break, No Class

OCIA Sacraments Class — In Spanish

We now offer OCIA classes **in Spanish**. This class is for adults seeking Baptism into the Catholic faith, or who are already Catholic but need First Holy Communion and/or Confirmation. This class will also assist those who need to have their marriage blessed by the church. Classes will meet every Monday from 6:00—7:30 p.m. in Room 6. For additional information, please contact

Natalia Flores at (678) 637-2993.

Which Is An Accurate Description: "Pro-life" or "Pro-Choice"?

"Pro-life" is an accurate description because proponents of this position wish to preserve all life, including the life of the most defenseless in our society----the unborn baby.

"Pro-choice" is misleading because proponents of this position never offer a choice to the unborn baby and frequently never consult the baby's father. It may be the "choice" of the mother who in many instances is feeling desperate and not properly informed. It may also be the business "choice" of the for-profit abortion clinic and the fee-for-service abortionist. However, "pro-death" would be a more accurate description for the "pro-choice" position because an abortion always results in the death of an unborn baby.

In an attempt to make abortion more palatable and acceptable, abortion proponents speak of and defend what they refer to as "reproductive rights". Again, such terminology is deliberately misleading because an abortion has nothing to do with reproduction. In fact an abortion is the exact opposite of reproduction. Furthermore, the unborn baby is stripped of all "rights", so again, the description is blatantly inappropriate.

Pro-Life Articles



Fourth Sunday of Advent

**Rite for Celebrating of Advent at Home
For the Fourth Sunday of Advent, for the
Candle of Love, the following prayer may be
said for the Candle lighting at home:**

Father, we are struck with wonder at the trust you have put in us. The work which your Son began by his coming in now put into our hands to complete. He longs to come again, but his time is not ripe, we must bring him forth into the world that is pleasing to him. Until that time, known only to you, when the heavens will open and we see him once more, we raise our eyes to you and ask your blessing while we set our hands to the task you have given us. Amen

**Religious Education at SVdP
*Directors of Religious Education (DRE's):***

Nancy Chisholm

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Our webpage address is:

www.saintvincentdepaulchurch.org.

- **Birth Certificates and Baptism Certificates are required for all children preparing for First Holy Communion. Parents, please submit copies of these forms as soon as possible, if you have not already done so. If your child was Baptized at SVdP, we have the Baptism form on file, but we still need a copy of the Birth Certificate.**
- **There will be no RE classes on December 21 and 28. Classes will resume after the Christmas Break, on January 4, 2026.**
- **Parents, you should have received a copy of the prayers for your children to memorize this year. Please go over these with your children so they will be prepared to recite them in class.**



Winter Wonderland

Save the date!

The 2026 Father Daughter Dance will be held on Saturday, February 7, at 5:30 p.m. Tickets will be \$35 per family, and will go on sale in early 2026.

**Preparation for the Renewal of the
Consecration to the Holy Family**

Dearest Heavenly Father, Father of mercies, your Only Begotten Son, as He hung upon the Cross, chose the Blessed Virgin Mary, His Mother, to be our Mother also. Grant, we pray, that with her loving help, and that of her most chaste spouse, Saint Joseph, we may humbly and prayerfully prepare ourselves as the parish of St. Vincent de Paul, for consecration to the Holy Family. We humbly make our prayer in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, forever and ever. Amen.

Let us prepare for the Parish's Renewed Consecration to the Holy Family in the following way by:

1. Praying at least one decade of the Rosary (one Our Father, ten Hail Mary's and the Glory Be) and the Consecration Prayer (listed above) daily.
2. Attending Holy Mass every Sunday and on Holy Days of Obligation.
3. Going to Confession.
4. Adoring our Lord in the Blessed Sacrament.

Please join in the novena of prayers for the renewal of the parish consecration to the Holy Family.

The consecration will take place

December 27 & 28, during all Holy Masses.

The Consecration to the Holy Family is a Knights of Columbus Faith in Action Program.

Weekend Holy Masses: Saturday 4:00 p.m., Sundays 9:00 a.m., 12 noon, Santa Misa en Español at 3:00 p.m.
Daily Holy Mass: Monday 12 Noon, Tuesday 12 Noon, Wednesday 6:15 p.m.
Exposition and Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament: Wednesday at 5:00 p.m., preceding the 6:15 p.m. Holy Mass
Sacrament of Reconciliation (Confession/Denuncio): Wednesday 5:00 - 6:00 p.m. Saturday 1:30 - 3:00 p.m.

Position and Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament: Wednesday at 5:00 p.m., preceding the 6:15 p.m. Holy Mass
Sacrament of Penance/Confession/Denonçô: Wednesday 5:00-6:00 p.m. Saturday 1:30-3:00 p.m.

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<div>7</div> <div>2nd Collection: Retirement Fund for the Religions</div> <div>Rite of Entrance 12 noon Holy Mass</div> <div>Cenacle in Spanish at 1:45 p.m.</div> <div>RE</div>	<div>8</div> <div>Office Closed</div> <div>Immaculate Conception</div> <div>Holy Mass at 12 noon and 6:15 p.m.</div>	<div>9</div> <div>Homebound Ministry 9:30 a.m.</div> <div>Funeral Mass at 11:00 a.m.</div> <div>No noon Holy Mass</div> <div>Cenacle TBA</div> <div>K of C</div> <div>Rosary 6:30 p.m.</div> <div>Dinner 7:00 p.m.</div> <div>Meeting 7:30 p.m.</div>	<div>10</div> <div>Holy Mass at noon followed by Adoration and Confession 1-2 p.m.</div> <div>Choir Practice 7:30—9:00 p.m.</div>	<div>11</div>	<div>12</div> <div>OLG Procession/Holy Mass 6:00 p.m.</div>	<div>13</div> <div>Rosary For Vocations</div>
<div>14</div> <div>2nd Collection: Future Building and Emergency Needs Fund</div> <div>Adoration following 9:00 a.m. Holy Mass</div> <div>Cenacle in Spanish at 1:45 p.m.</div> <div>RE</div>	<div>15</div> <div>OCLA in Spanish 6-7:30 p.m.</div> <div>W/ARG</div> <div>Social 6:30 p.m.</div> <div>Rosary 7:00 p.m.</div> <div>Meeting 7:30 p.m.</div>	<div>16</div> <div>Cenacle Following 12 noon Holy Mass</div>	<div>17</div> <div>Holy Mass at noon followed by Adoration and Confession 1-2 p.m.</div> <div>Choir Practice 7:30—9:00 p.m.</div>	<div>18</div>	<div>19</div> <div>Grupo de Oración Carismático SGH 7:30 p.m.</div>	<div>20</div> <div>Honor Guard Practice 9:00—10:30 a.m.</div>
<div>21</div> <div>2nd Collection: Capital Improvements</div> <div>SCLAC Studies 10:30 a.m.</div> <div>Cenacle in Spanish at 1:45 p.m.</div> <div>NO RE</div>	<div>22</div>	<div>23</div> <div>Cenacle Following 12 noon Holy Mass</div>	<div>24</div> <div>No 12 noon Holy Mass</div> <div>Christmas Eve Holy Mass at 4 and 6:30 p.m.</div> <div>2nd Collection: Catholic Charities</div>	<div>25</div> <div>Christmas Day Holy Mass at 10:30 a.m.</div> <div>2nd Collection: Catholic Charities</div>	<div>26</div> <div>Grupo de Oración Carismático SGH 7:30 p.m.</div>	<div>27</div>
<div>28</div> <div>2nd Collection: Pro Life</div> <div>Cenacle in Spanish at 1:45 p.m.</div> <div>NO RE</div>	<div>29</div>	<div>30</div>	<div>31</div>	<div>1</div> <div>Mary the Mother of God - Holy Mass at 12 noon</div>		
Church Closed — No Holy Mass						