



ST. VINCENT DE PAUL CATHOLIC CHURCH

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Pastor

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Priest in Residence

Rev. Mr. Jose Perez

Deacon

Pray for the repose of
the soul of

Rev. Mr. Steve Bek (1945 - 2017)

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March 10, 2024
**Fourth Sunday
Of Lent**

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“Just as Moses lifted up the serpent in the desert, so must the Son of Man be lifted up, so that everyone who believes in Him may have eternal life.”

Holy Mass Times:

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, via the website, or call for current information.

Baptism: Parents who desire to have their child(ren) baptized are asked to attend a preparation class. The date of baptism will be determined once the necessary documentation has been received in the parish office.

Marriage: Marriage is a very important Sacrament and there are requirements for having 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 additional information. Note: Weddings are scheduled at 11:00 a.m. or at 12 noon on Saturdays.

Date	Holy Mass Intentions	Readings
Saturday March 9 <i>Fourth Sunday of Lent</i>	4:00 p.m. + Myra Evans + Jim Mages	2 Chronicles 36: 14-16, 19-23 Psalm 137: 1-6 Ephesians 2: 4-10 John 3: 14-21
Sunday March 10 <i>Fourth Sunday of Lent</i>	9:00 a.m. Parishioners (Living & Deceased) 12 noon + Emily LeBouef 3:00 p.m. + Captain John Nicholson	2 Chronicles 36: 14-16, 19-23 Psalm 137: 1-6 Ephesians 2: 4-10 John 3: 14-21
Monday March 11	12 noon + Sylvia Rakestraw	Isaiah 65: 17-21 Psalm 30: 2, 4-6, 11-12a, 13b John 4: 43-54
Tuesday March 12	12 noon + Jacob Duesenberry	Ezekiel 47: 1-9, 12 Psalm 46: 2-3, 5-6, 8-9 John 5: 1-16
Wednesday March 13	12 noon Diane and Don Long	Isaiah 49: 8-15 Psalm 145: 8-9, 13c-14, 17-18 John 5: 17-30
Thursday March 14		Exodus 32: 7-14 Psalm 106: 19-23 John 5: 31-47
Friday March 15		Wisdom 2: 1a, 12-22 Psalm 34: 17-21, 23 John 7: 1-2, 10, 25-30
Saturday March 16		Jeremiah 11: 18-20 Psalm 7: 2-3, 9b-12 John 7: 0-53

Sunday, March 17
Fifth Sunday of Lent
 Jeremiah 31: 31-34
 Psalm 51: 3-4, 12-15
 Hebrews 5: 7-9
 John 12: 20-33



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

Flowers for the Altar were donated in memory of Cheryl Grimm and Scott Cloonan.



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.

POPE FRANCIS' MARCH PRAYER INTENTION - For New Martyrs

Let us pray that those who risk their lives for the Gospel in various parts of the world might imbue The Church with their courage and missionary drive.





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:

Werner Pleus, Donald Pastor, Michael Daigle, Jr., Mike Holder, Captain John Christian Nicholson, Jorge Bucio, Lila Campos Benitez, Maria Teresa Brown, Richard Hill, Patricia Sosbee, Myra Evans, Jim Mages, Emily Bouef, Sylvia Rakestraw, Jacob Duesenberry,
and all those who have gone before us.



The Sacrament of Baptism



We are happy to assist with planning your child(ren)'s Baptism. Parents and Godparents are required to attend a Baptism Preparation class. Email ahew@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.**
- **This 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 are additional requirements.** Please contact nchisholm@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 February:
Knight of the Month—Kevin Ebelhar
And
Family of the Month—The David Krut family**



IN YOUR PRAYERS



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

Please pray for:

Fr. Adrian, Fr. Omar Loggiodice, Fr. Selvaraj, Mrs. Werner Pleus, Virginia Loggiodice, Olga S. Torres, Bill and Lise Gilbert, Geri Roberts, Rita Bek, Joni Pfaff, Rene Jenkins, Sister Mary Treasure of Innocence, Marylou Bishop and family, Carmen and Paul Amodio and family, Rochelle and Louis Focaracci and family, Joanne Pastor and family, Lucy and Marty Nicholson and family, Green family, Lawson family, Stacey Wood, Juan and Maria, Matthew and Christian Hernandez, Martha and Jimmy Midulla, Elsa and Ramon Velez and family, William Garrone, Hyppolite R. Renous and family, Fr. Brian Sheridan, Father Paul Rainville, Col. Roland Craig, Margaret Adams, Michael Frizie, John Dunaway, Cathrine Moore and family,

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.



In His Presence

ARCHBISHOP'S
ANNUAL APPEAL 2024

Archbishops Annual Appeal 2024

St. Vincent de Paul's 2023 Parish Goal: \$ 32,800.00
Donations Received: \$ 7,065.06
Amount **Over (Under)** Goal: **(\$ 25,734.94)**

Current Number of Donors for 2024: 27
Percentage of Goal Received: 21.54%

(As of February 29, 2024)

Have you moved? Has your email changed?

If you have moved or changed your email address, please let us know. We periodically send information via mail and by email to our parishioners, and need to have accurate contact information for the messages to be received. Please send or bring updated contact information to the SVdP office.

Information on Safe Environment and Reporting Child Abuse

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/>.



FIRST FRUITS OF OUR LABOR

February 24-25, 2024



Saturday	4:00 p.m.	\$ 1,336.00	Att - 124
Sunday	9:00 a.m.	\$ 2,021.21	Att -277
Sunday	12:00 noon	\$ 2,176.98	Att -250
Sunday	3:00 p.m.	\$ 263.28	Att -82
Mail-In		\$ 760.00	
Online		\$ 1,895.00	
Total Offertory		\$ 8,452.47	Att -733
2nd Coll. Future Building & Emergency Needs		\$2,776.10	

Thank you for your generosity!



Creighton Model Fertility Care/Natural Family Planning:

This isn't your parent's old rhythm method! Learn more about your fertility, why the Church promotes Natural Family Planning (NFP), why NFP is 99% effective, and how it can positively impact your marriage (3% divorce rate!)

My next Introductory Class is **Wednesday, March 20, 2024, at 7:00 p.m.**, via Zoom. To register or for more information on future classes, contact Ann Hall at 404-915-1685 or annlabar@hotmail.com

My colleague, **Felricia Brown**, is also offering individual online classes, and may have more flexibility. Her contact info is: gracefertility@gmail.com, Cell: (251) 421-3581.

Tea/ Silent Auction Invitation

Our Lady of Perpetual Help Auxiliary will hold a Tea/Silent Auction Fundraiser on Saturday, April 3 from 11:30 a.m. until 1:30 p.m. at St. Peter Chanel Church in Roswell. Join us in celebrating the Dominican Hawthorne Sisters' 85th anniversary of caring for cancer patients at the Home in the Diocesan-wide event. Reservation are \$50 per person, with 8 seated at a table. For silent auction donations, sponsors, program ads, payment or for more information contact our website: www.olphaux.org or mail payment made to OLPHAUX to P.O. Box 420273, Atlanta, GA. 30342. Feel free to invite friends, family members and colleagues. For questions, contact Christi (Donations Chair) at coseifring@bellsouth.net.

Gospel Reading - March 10

John 3:14-21

Jesus tells Nicodemus that the Son of Man will be raised up so that those who believe in him will have eternal life.

Today's Gospel reading is taken from John's Gospel. It consists of two parts. The first part is the final sentence of Jesus' reply to Nicodemus, the Pharisee who approached Jesus at night. Nicodemus acknowledged Jesus as someone who had come from God and seemed to want to be a follower of Jesus. Jesus greeted Nicodemus with the observation that one must be born from above to see the Kingdom of God. The dialogue between Jesus and Nicodemus that followed was about the meaning of this phrase. Nicodemus misunderstood Jesus at every point, but there was no animosity in the questions he posed to Jesus.

In the part of the conversation with Nicodemus in today's Gospel, Jesus referred to an incident reported in the Old Testament. When the Israelites grumbled against the Lord during their sojourn in the desert, God sent venomous serpents to punish them for their complaints. The Israelites repented and asked Moses to pray for them. The Lord heard Moses' prayer and instructed him to make a bronze serpent and mount it on a pole. All who had been bitten by a serpent and then looked upon the bronze serpent were cured. By recalling this story, Jesus alludes to the salvation that would be accomplished through his death and Resurrection.

The second part of today's Gospel is a theological reflection on Jesus' words to Nicodemus. The Gospel of John is known for this kind of reflection offered within the narrative. The words of the Evangelist are in continuity with the words of the prologue to John's Gospel. In these reflections, John elaborates on a number of themes that are found in his Gospel: light and darkness, belief and unbelief, good and evil, salvation and condemnation.

In John's reflection, we find an observation about human sinfulness. Jesus is the light that has come into the world, but people preferred the darkness. We wish to keep our sins hidden, even from God. Jesus has come into the world to reveal our sins so that they may be forgiven. This is the Good News; it is the reason for our rejoicing in this season of Lent and throughout our lives.

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Southwest Deanery 2024 Penance Service Dates for Lent

All services begin at 7:00 p.m. Remaining Penance Services in our Deanery are as follows:

Wednesday, March 13	St. Bernadette
Thursday, March 14	St. Mary Magdalene
Monday, March 18	St. Theresa
Wednesday, March 20	Our Lady of Perpetual Help

Ministry Schedule: March 16-17, 2024

	Set-Up		Lector	Eucharistic Minister/ EMOHC	Guardian	Usher	Servers (Senior Server, Candle Bearer/Paten, etc.)
Saturday 4:00 PM	Millie Reisinger		Nancy Chisholm	Regina Harding	Julie Poe <i>Volunteer Needed</i>	David Fenner <i>Volunteer Needed</i>	Tristan Kilgore Vincent Gettemy Donald Gettemy
Sunday 9:00 AM	Millie Reisinger	<u>Livestream</u> Dave Krut	Randy Brown	Juan Molina	Millie Reisinger Cathy Bigler	Bill Hew Cliff Grimm Dennis Mahon	Zachary Holland Aidan Grisham Nicholas Condoluci
Sunday 12 Noon	Millie Reisinger		Theresa Powers	Mike Terrill	John Ngeh Jennifer Robinson	Juan Hernandez Antoine Tsoungui	<i>Volunteer Needed</i> <i>Volunteer needed</i>
Sunday 3:00 PM	Vielka Jordan	<u>Deacon</u> Jose Perez	Vielka Jordan	<i>Asistente 1</i> Luis Garcia <i>Asistente 2</i> Inmar D. Romero	Carolina Neyra Ortiz <i>Volunteer needed</i>	Carlos Neyra <i>Volunteer needed</i>	<i>Crucifero</i> Garardo Neyra <i>Cirial 1</i> Sergio Neyra <i>Cirial 2</i> Juan Guardado



THE ST. VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY
770-443-1533



Thanks to our parishioners and local residents for their time, financial donations, food donations, merchandise donations, and thrift store purchases, we are helping hundreds of our neighbors in need every year. We provide food, clothing, payment of bills, counseling, spiritual support, and demonstrate in a personal way the love of our Lord, Jesus Christ.

In February, 2024, we provided assistance to 37 families, with:

\$ 20,845.53	in 14 Housing payments
\$ 4,041.16	in 4 Transportation payments
\$ 9,815.59	in 31 Utility payments
\$445.86	in Medical expenses

We are in need of volunteers at the St. Vincent de Paul Society. At the Society, we need caseworkers and assistants to help schedule and interview our clients and to help put food orders together in our Food Pantry.

We are in need of volunteers at the St. Vincent de Paul Thrift Store. We receive many donations every week, and need more volunteers to sort, price and place items on display. Just an hour or two a week, especially on Friday or Saturday, will be greatly appreciated.

If you are interested in either or both of these opportunities, please call or stop by during store hours. Thank you for your generosity. Thrift Store Hours are:

M-F 10:00 A.M.-5:00 P.M. & S&T 10:00 A.M.-4:00 P.M.

“Three Six Teens” Youth Activity Nights: Open to all teens in Grades 7-12

Registration is required. Visit our website or RE Office for forms.

- **Wednesday, March 13, SVDP 7:00-8:30 p.m.**
“The Kind of People He Invites”
- **Wednesday, March 27 SVDP 7:00-8:30 p.m.**
“Seder Meal”
- **Wednesday, April 10 6:15-8:30 p.m.**
“The Cost of Discipleship”

Religious Education at SVdP

Directors of Religious Education:

Nancy Chisholm

Mary Ware

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mware@svdpatl.com

Our webpage address is:

www.saintvincentdepaulchurch.org

Upcoming Events

- **March 16: First Holy Communion Retreat 1:00-5:00 p.m.— A Parent must accompany each child**
- **April 20: 11:00 a.m. - First Reconciliation**
- **April 29: 6:00 p.m. - First Holy Communion Practice**
- **May 4: 4:00 p.m. - First Holy Communion**
- **May 5: 10:30 a.m. - May Crowning and Living Rosary**
- **Please note: We are in need of substitutes to serve as the second adult in the class when Catechists are out. You will not be expected to teach the class. If you can help out, please contact Nancy or Mary.**

Lenten Guidelines

The Catholic Church calls all believers to certain practices that emphasize the communal nature of repentance, especially during the Lenten season:

- **Abstinence from meat** - This is observed on Ash Wednesday, Good Friday and all the Fridays of Lent by all Catholics 14 years of age and older.
- **Fasting** - This is observed on Ash Wednesday and Good Friday by all Catholics who are 18 years of age, but not yet 59 years of age. Those bound by this rule may take only one full meal. Two smaller meals are permitted as necessary to maintain strength according to one's needs, but eating solid foods between meals is not permitted.
- Those who are sick, pregnant, nursing, or whose health would be adversely affected by fasting and abstinence should not consider themselves bound by these norms.

Lent 2024 Information

Wednesday Holy Masses during Lent

Wednesday Holy Masses during Lent are celebrated at 12 noon due to Wednesday evening Penance Services.

Stations of the Cross and Lenten Meals during Lent

Stations of the Cross are prayed at 6:30 p.m. in the Church on Fridays during Lent. The Knights of Columbus host Lenten meals on Fridays during Lent following the Stations of the Cross.



From St. Faustina's Diary
Consume Our Miseries



Be at peace, My daughter, it is precisely through such misery that I want to show the power of My mercy (*Diary*, 133).

My daughter, all your miseries have been consumed in the flame of My love, like a little twig thrown into a roaring fire. By humbling yourself in this way, you draw upon yourself and upon other souls an entire sea of My mercy (*Diary*, 178).

My Prayer Response

Lord Jesus, consume our miseries in the flame of Your merciful love. May our humble submission to You draw upon us and upon other souls an entire sea of Your mercy.

**The words of Jesus appear in boldface type*



The Pain Suffered by the Aborted Baby



Proponents of abortion are determined to make sure that the grizzly truths regarding abortion are suppressed and are not revealed to the public and most importantly to pregnant mothers. One of these facts is the overwhelming medical evidence that the child in the mother's womb feels pain when he or she is aborted. The U. S. House of Representatives has considered legislation to redress this, such as "The Unborn Child Pain Awareness Act" such legislation would ensure that a woman was informed of the pain her unborn baby feels when he or she is aborted. Also, the legislation would have required that the woman considering an abortion expressly request or refuse anesthesia for her baby (to subdue the pain).

Tragically, these humane initiatives have failed. It is abundantly clear that abortion supporters want expectant mothers to be ignorant and uninformed. This relates to all aspects of abortion including the medical procedure and its risks, the likely psychological and emotional repercussions to the mother and the pain endured by her child.

Women deserve the truth, but the defeat of such legislation helps keep expectant mothers (and society generally) in the dark. "It is imperative we take appropriate measures to inform every woman who is seeking an abortion of the development of the unborn child to feel pain in her womb We have taken action to ensure that the pain of livestock and laboratory animals is reduced and prevented yet amazingly when it comes to the unborn child, we hesitate." - Representative Virginia Foxx (R-NC)

Pro-Life Articles

Eucharistic Congress 2024

From July 17–21, 2024, thousands of passionate Catholics will gather for a transformative experience on a scale this generation has never seen. Whether you join us for one day or all five, the grace you receive will spill out into our community when you return home, deeply in love with the Eucharist and excited about the future of the Church in America. Visit EucharisticCongress.org to learn more about the event and explore the full schedule for each day.

What: 10th National Eucharistic Congress

When: July 17–21, 2024

Where: Lucas Oil Stadium, Indianapolis, IN

Be Inspired by AM 1160 The Quest Spring Pledge Drive, "Behold, Your Mother"

AM 1160 The Quest, Your Atlanta Catholic Radio to feature local clergy and parishioners during a live broadcasting!

Tune in to AM 1160 The Quest, Your Atlanta Catholic Radio March 12-14, 2024, from 8 a.m.-1 p.m. and 3 p.m. - 6 p.m. as clergy and parishioners from the Archdiocese of Atlanta inspire us to learn more about our Mother, Mary. Tune in and be inspired while helping your 100% listener-supported Catholic radio station raise much needed operating funds. For a complete schedule, visit TheQuestAtlanta.com.



LENT

March 2024 (Revised)

The following schedule is in effect unless otherwise noted in the calendar below:

Weekend Holy Masses: Saturday Vigil 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/Penance): Wednesday 5:00 - 6:00 p.m., Saturday 2:00-3:00 p.m.



LENT

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
3 2nd Collection: Capital Improvements Adoration following 9:00 a.m. Holy Mass Cenacle in Spanish at 1:45 p.m. RE	4	5 Cenacle Following 12 noon Holy Mass	6 Holy Mass 12 noon Adoration and Confessions to follow Choir Practice 7:30-9:00 p.m.	7	8 Stations of the Cross 6:30 pm Lenten Meal at 7:00 p.m. Charismatic Prayer Group 7:30 p.m.	9 WARG Morning of Reflection 8:30 a.m - 1:00 p.m. Confession begins at 1:30 p.m.
10 No 2nd Collection Cenacle in Spanish at 1:45 p.m. RE	11 Knights of Columbus 6:30 p.m. Rosary 7:00 p.m. Dinner 7:30 Meeting	12 Cenacle Following 12 noon Holy Mass	13 Holy Mass 12 noon Adoration and Confessions to follow YAN 7:00-8:30 p.m. Choir Practice 7:30-9:00 p.m.	14	15 Stations of the Cross 6:30 pm Lenten Meal at 7:00 p.m. Charismatic Prayer Group 7:30 p.m.	16 FHC Retreat 1:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m. Confession begins at 1:30 p.m.
17 2nd Collection: Future Bldg. & Em Needs Cenacle in Spanish at 1:45 p.m. RE	18 WARG 6:30 p.m. Social 7:00 p.m. Rosary 7:30 p.m. Meeting	19 Cenacle Following 12 noon Holy Mass	20 Holy Mass 12 noon Adoration and Confessions to follow Choir Practice 7:30-9:00 p.m.	21	22 Stations of the Cross 6:30 pm Lenten Meal at 7:00 p.m. Charismatic Prayer Group 7:30 p.m.	23 Confession begins at 1:30 p.m.
24 2nd Collection: Holy Land Cenacle in Spanish at 1:45 p.m. RE	25	26 Cenacle Following 12 noon Holy Mass	27 Holy Mass 12 noon Adoration and Confessions to follow YAN 7:00-8:30 p.m. Choir Practice 7:30-9:00 p.m.	28 Holy Thursday Holy Mass 7:00 p.m.	29 Good Friday Solemn Liturgy of the Passion of Christ 3:00 p.m.	30 No Confessions Blessing of Baskets 4:00 p.m. Easter Vigil 8:00 p.m.
31 Easter Sunday 2nd Collection: Archdiocesan Seminarians Cenacle in Spanish at 1:45 p.m. No RE						