



ST. VINCENT DE PAUL CATHOLIC CHURCH

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Office Hours: Monday-Thursday (8:30 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.)
The parish business office is closed on Friday.

Pastoral Staff

Rev. Fr. Adrian Pleus

Pastor

Rev. Fr. Omar Loggiodice

Priest in Residence

Rev. Mr. Jose Perez

Deacon

Pray for the repose of
the soul of

Rev. Mr. Steve Bek (1945 - 2017)

Rev. Mr. Jim McDermott

Deacon

Rev. Mr. Jimmy Williams

Deacon

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Receptionist*

March 3, 2024
**Third Sunday
Of Lent**

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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 2 <i>Third Sunday of Lent</i> | 4:00 p.m. Rita Samba | Exodus 20: 1-17 Psalm 19: 8-11 1 Corinthians 1: 22-25 John 2: 13-25 |
| Sunday March 3 <i>Third Sunday of Lent</i> | 9:00 a.m. Parishioners (Living & Deceased) 12 noon + Werner Pleus 3:00 p.m. + Bill Klopp | Exodus 20: 1-17 Psalm 19: 8-11 1 Corinthians 1: 22-25 John 2: 13-25 |
| Monday March 4 <i>Saint Casimir</i> | 12 noon Rhoda Caulfield Lucy Nicholson | 2 Kings 5: 1-15b Psalms 42: 2-3; 43: 3-4 Luke 4: 24-30 |
| Tuesday March 5 | 12 noon + Florence Hommick + Mary Elizabeth Hommick | Deuteronomy 3: 25, 34-43 Psalm 25: 4bc-5ab, 6-7bc, 8-9 Matthew 18: 21-35 |
| Wednesday March 6 | 12 noon Jeanneret Family Fink Family | Deuteronomy 4: 1, 5-9 Psalm 147: 12-13, 15-16, 19-20 Matthew 5: 17-19 |
| Thursday March 7 <i>Saints Perpetua and Felicity</i> | | Jeremiah 7: 23-28 Psalm 95: 1-2, 6-9 Luke 11: 14-23 |
| Friday March 8 <i>Saint John of God, Religious</i> | | Hosea 14: 2-10 Psalm 81: 6c-11b, 14,17 Mark 12: 28-34 |
| Saturday March 9 <i>Saint Frances of Rome, Religious</i> | | Hosea 6: 1-6 Psalm 51: 3-4, 18-21b Luke 18: 9-14 |

Sunday, March 10
Fourth Sunday of Lent
2 Chronicles 36: 14-16, 19-23
Psalm 137: 1-6
Ephesians 2: 4-10
John 3: 14-21



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.



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:

| | | | |
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| Tuesday, March 5 | <i>St. Peter's</i> | Thursday, March 14 | <i>St. Mary Magdalene</i> |
| Thursday, March 7 | <i>St. George</i> | Monday, March 18 | <i>St. Theresa</i> |
| Wednesday, March 13 | <i>St. Bernadette</i> | Wednesday, March 20 | <i>Our Lady of Perpetual Help</i> |



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, Monitta Bottomlee, Corinne Masche, Jorge Buchio, Lila Campos Benitez, Maria Teresa Brown, Richard Hill, Werner Pleus, Bill Klopp,
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, Jerry Bettinger, Gary Waters, Mike Miller, A. J. Gammon, Peter Penland, George Marks, Roger Nalls, Valerie Jones, Walsh Family, Hyppolite F. Renous, Bryce Perez and Family, Melodie Wallen and Family, Sue Laprade, Tim Laprade, Linda Lintz,

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

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|---|-----------------------|
| St. Vincent de Paul's 2023 Parish Goal: | \$ 32,800.00 |
| Donations Received: | \$ 6,108.40 |
| Amount Over (Under) Goal: | (\$ 26,691.60) |

Current Number of Donors for 2024: 18
Percentage of Goal Received: 18.62%

(As of February 22, 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 17-18, 2024



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| Saturday | 4:00 p.m. | \$ 1,595.00 | Att - 133 |
| Sunday | 9:00 a.m. | \$ 1,912.81 | Att -220 |
| Sunday | 12:00 noon | \$ 1,668.25 | Att -170 |
| Sunday | 3:00 p.m. | \$ 270.00 | Att -95 |
| Mail-In | | \$ 675.00 | |
| Online | | \$ 2,245.00 | |
| Total Offertory | | \$ 8,366.06 | Att -618 |

No 2nd Coll.

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.



Women of St. Vincent de Paul

We are holding a Lenten Retreat
Saturday, March 9th
8:30 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.
St. Gerard Hall

Ladies, please join us as we focus on prayer and strengthening our relationship with God and with each other.

Please sign up on the Board we have located in the Narthex.

Gospel Reading - March 3

John 2:13-25

Jesus drives out the moneychangers from the Temple and says that he will destroy the temple and raise it up again.

In today's Gospel we read about how Jesus overturned the tables of the merchants and the moneychangers in the Temple at Jerusalem. In order to understand the relevance of Jesus' action, we must learn more about the activities that were going on in the temple area. Worship at the Temple in Jerusalem included animal sacrifice, and merchants sold animals to worshippers. Moneychangers exchanged Roman coins, which bore the image of the Roman emperor, for the temple coins that were needed to pay the temple tax.

Jesus' action at the Temple in Jerusalem is recorded in all four Gospels and is often understood to be among the events that led to Jesus' arrest and Crucifixion. We must read the Gospel of John carefully, especially in its presentation of Jesus' relationship to Judaism. The Gospel of John was the last of the four Gospels to be written, and its narrative reflects the growing divide between the Jewish community and the early Christian community. Thus, greater emphasis on the distinction between Christianity and Judaism is found in John's Gospel.

Reflecting upon the destruction of the Temple of Jerusalem (A.D. 70), John recalls Jesus' cleansing of the Temple and uses that story to interpret this later event. John explains to his audience, an early Christian community, that temple worship would no longer be necessary because it was surpassed in the passion, death, and Resurrection of Jesus. After clearing the Temple of the merchants and the moneychangers, John's Gospel tells us that the people asked for a sign of Jesus' authority to do such an audacious act. In response, Jesus predicted his death and Resurrection. Throughout John's Gospel, the language of signs is distinctive. Jesus' miracles are called signs, and the people look to these signs for proof of his authority. Here we learn that the sign par excellence will be Jesus' passion, death, and Resurrection.

During Lent we reflect upon the meaning of this sign for us and for our world. We might take this opportunity to consider the quality of our prayer and worship. In our prayers we seek to deepen our relationship with the person of Christ. In our worship with the community, we gather to experience anew the passion, death, and Resurrection of Jesus and its significance in our lives. Christ promises to be present with us when we gather for prayer.

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Here Today

The Discalced Carmelite Saints

St. Teresa of Jesus

1515-1582 Feast Day October 15

"You pay God a compliment by asking great things of Him."

-St. Teresa of Avila-

Ministry Schedule: March 9-10, 2024

| | Set-Up | | Lector | Eucharistic Minister/ EMOHC | Guardian | Usher | Servers (Senior Server, Candle Bearer/Paten, etc.) |
|---------------------|------------------|--|----------------|---|---------------------------------|--|--|
| Saturday 4:00 PM | Millie Reisinger | <u>Deacons</u> Jimmy Williams Jose Perez | Nancy Chisholm | Deacon Jimmy Williams | Deb Heinrich Mary Marks | Ryan Trafton Skip Heinrich <i>Volunteer Needed</i> | Donald Gettemy Vincent Gettemy <i>Volunteer Needed</i> |
| Sunday 9:00 AM | Millie Reisinger | <u>Livestream</u> Clyde Keiss | Brian Blowers | Jeanie Blowers | Millie Reisinger Bob Babecka | Ken Bishop Randy Brown Dennis Mahon | <i>Volunteer Needed</i> <i>Volunteer Needed</i> <i>Volunteer Needed</i> |
| Sunday 12 Noon | Millie Reisinger | | Matthew Byrd | Maggie Hernandez | Rick Brunner Enio Fraga | Juan Hernandez Latesha Tsoungui Don Imbordino | <i>Volunteer Needed</i> <i>Volunteer needed</i> |
| Sunday 3:00 PM | Carmen Perez | <u>Deacon</u> Jose Perez | Carmen Perez | <i>Asistente 1</i> Marco Castro <i>Asistente 2</i> Victor Monterroso | Vielka Jordan Nelida Morales | Luis Garcia <i>Volunteer needed</i> | <i>Crucifero</i> Eliezer Morales <i>Cirial 1</i> Manuel Hernandez <i>Cirial 2</i> Darwin Monterroso |



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 January 2024, we provided assistance to 40 families, with:

\$ 14,735.27 in Housing expenses
\$ 2,143.06 in Transportation expenses
\$ 12,919.07 in Utility 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. & SAT 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.
- 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 still 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.**

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
Pray For Your Enemies



My daughter, in this meditation, consider the love of neighbor. Is your love for your neighbor guided by My love? Do you pray for your enemies? Do you wish well to those who have, in one way or another, caused you sorrow or offended you? Know that whatever good you do to any soul, I accept it as if you had done it to Me (Diary, 1768).

My Prayer Response

Lord Jesus, help me to pray for my enemies and for those who have caused me sorrows. Teach me to live Your word: "Whatever you did for one of these least brothers of Mine, you did for Me" (Mt. 25:40).

**The words of Jesus appear in boldface type*

Blatantly Inconsistent

Americans are bi-polar when it comes to abortion.

On the one hand, 74% of the states in America have laws defending the unborn, at some stage of gestation, against acts of violence. These states declare it an act of homicide if the child is killed. Twenty-one of these states consider a non-fatal attack on the unborn a criminal offense. Fully half of the states also have passed Born Alive Infant Protection Acts, requiring that physicians treat an infant that is born alive at any stage of development. These are but a few of the many laws that protect the unborn and treat them as human beings with "inalienable rights." That is, if they are "wanted."

If they are not wanted (or "unplanned") abortion at any point in pregnancy is considered an acceptable means of "terminating a pregnancy." What could be more schizophrenic than deciding someone's worth (and life) solely on the basis of subjective opinion? If the child is killed when the mother intended to keep it, it is considered homicide and the perpetrator is a criminal. If the child is terminated when the mother does not intend to keep it, the abortionist in question can use the most brutal means imaginable, and no one (except us pro-lifers) bats an eye.

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)



LENT

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.

| 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. |
| 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. |
| 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 |
| 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 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 | | | | | | |