



ST. VINCENT DE PAUL CATHOLIC CHURCH

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Pray for the repose of

the soul of

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(1945 - 2017)

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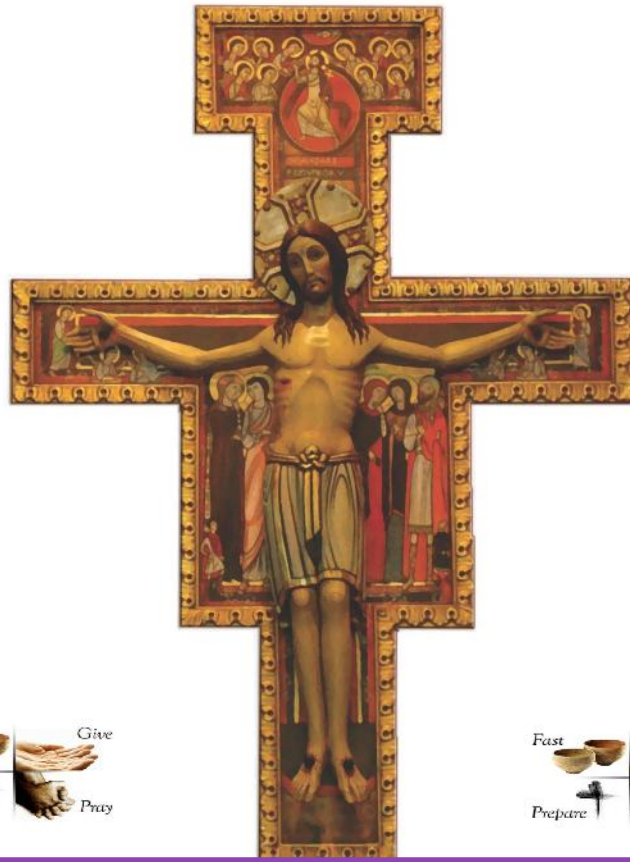
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**March 12, 2023
Third Sunday of Lent**



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 as such there are requirements necessary 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 to inquire.



 Date	Holy Mass Intentions	Readings 
Saturday March 11 <i>Third Sunday of Lent</i>	4:00 p.m. + Herman Hoffman	Exodus 17: 3-7 Psalm 95: 1-2, 6-9 Romans 5: 1-2, 5-8 John 4: 5-42
Sunday March 12 <i>Third Sunday of Lent</i>	9:00 a.m. Parishioners (Living & Deceased) 12 noon + Gabriel Focaracci 3:00 p.m. + Darlene Johnson	Exodus 17: 3-7 Psalm 95: 1-2, 6-9 Romans 5: 1-2, 5-8 John 4: 5-42
Monday March 13	12 noon Rhoda Caulfield Lucy Nicholson	2 Kings 5: 1-15ab Psalms 42: 2,3; 43: 3,4 Luke 4: 24-30
Tuesday March 14	12 noon + Mitchell Regan	Deuteronomy 3: 25, 34-43 Psalm 25: 4-9 Matthew 18: 21-35
Wednesday March 15	12 noon + Laura Martinez	Deuteronomy 4: 1, 5-9 Psalm 147: 12-13, 15-16, 19-20 Matthew 5: 17-19
Thursday March 16		Jeremiah 7: 23-28 Psalm 95: 1-2, 6-9 Luke 11: 14-23
Friday March 17 <i>Saint Patrick, Bishop</i>		Hosea 14: 2-10 Psalm 81: 6c-11b, 14, 17 Mark 12: 28-34
Saturday March 18 <i>Saint Cyril of Jerusalem, Bishop and Doctor of the Church</i>		Hosea 6: 1-6 Psalm 51: 3-4, 18-21ab Luke 18: 9-14

Readings for Sunday, March 19, 2023
Fourth Sunday of Lent

Samuel 16: 1b, 6-7, 10-13a
Psalm 23: 1-6
Ephesians 5: 8-14
John 9: 1-41

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.



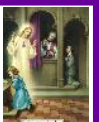
**POPE FRANCIS' MARCH
PRAYER INTENTION
For Victims of Abuse**



We pray for those who have suffered harm from members of the Church; may they find within the Church herself a concrete response to their pain and suffering.



Lenten Penance Services 2023
7:00 p.m.



St. Bernadette
St. George
Our Lady of Perpetual Help
St. Theresa
St. John Vianney

Wednesday, March 15th
Wednesday, March 22nd
Thursday, March 23rd
Monday, March 27th
Wednesday, March 29



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:
Pope Benedict XVI, Denise Fournier, Dudley DeCastro, Michael Genzale, Sr., Herman Hoffman, Gabriel Focaracci, Mitchell Regan, Laura Martinez,
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.

- **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.

Note: Baptisms are not scheduled to take place during Lent.



Eucharistic Revival



...As St. Thomas Says, the fact that the true body and the true blood of Christ are present in the Sacrament "cannot be apprehended by the senses but only by faith, which rests upon divine authority. This is why Cyril comments upon the words, *This is my body which is delivered up for you*, in Luke 22,19, in this way: Do not doubt that this is true; instead accept the words of the Savior in faith; for since He is truth, He cannot tell a lie." (6)

Encyclical of Pope Paul VI on the Holy Eucharist Mysterium Fidei

The Way For Women

This 3-day retreat for adult female survivors of abuse is offered by the Archdiocese of Atlanta's Victim Assistance Program on March 24-26, 2023, at Sautee Mountain Retreat in Clarksville, GA. The registration deadline is March 16, 2023. Please contact Sue Stubbs at (404) 920-7554 or sstubbs@archatl.com for more information.



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, Mr. and 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, Pat Arnold and family, Mary and Fred Speeney, Rochelle and Louis Focaracci and family, Stumm family, Mark Speiser, Colleen Wallen, Green family, Patricia O'Malley Roy, Dan and Alice Barth, Lachny families, DeBlanc families, Sue, Jonathan, Annabelle, Pamela Farinholt Kellum, Hyppolite F. Renous and family, Colleen McMahon and family, Merry Reed, Angelica Chagoya Ray, J. Jesus Flores, Christine Wood Townsend, Marissa Mahon,

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.



LENT

Lenten Guidelines



LENT

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.

Note: The archbishop has given a dispensation this year from the requirement of abstinence from meat on the feast of St. Patrick, March 17th.

COUPLES CELEBRATING 50th AND 60th Anniversaries in 2023

The Archdiocese of Atlanta would like to honor couples married in 1973 and 1963 with an invitation to a Golden/Diamond Wedding Anniversary Mass on Saturday April 1, at noon, at Saint Brigid Catholic Church. A light reception will follow the Mass for the anniversary couples and their families. Space is limited. Please go to <http://tiny.cc/anniversarymass> to RSVP for this event and for additional information.

Here Today-The Discalced Carmelite Saints
Saint John of the Cross 1542-1591
Feast Day December 14th

“Mine are the heavens and mine is the earth; mine are the people, the righteous are mine and mine are the sinners; the angels are mine and the Mother of God, and all things are mine; and God Himself is mine and for me, for Christ is mine and all for me. What then do you ask for and seek, my soul? Yours is all this, and it is all for you.”

Women of St. Vincent de Paul
SVDP KITCHEN SHOWER REGISTRY



Our newly remodeled kitchen needs quite a few items, and our old kitchen is in need of replacement items.

We created a Kitchen Shower Registry on both [Amazon.com](https://www.amazon.com) and [Target.com](https://www.target.com).

Please help us supply our kitchens with items that will enable us to prepare our various meals for our parish by logging on and purchasing an item or two.

The name of the Registry is “**SVDP Kitchen.**” Both Registries will be open until March 31st for online purchases. For those who would rather do in-store shopping, Target stores have a Registry Kiosk in them. Choose **SVDP Kitchen** and you can print out the registry and shop in their store. Please drop off all purchased items to Classroom #7 during normal Parish Office hours.



Gospel for Sunday March 12

John 4:5-42



In today’s Gospel, the dialogue between Jesus and a woman from Samaria is among the most lengthy and most theological found in Scripture. The most startling aspect of the conversation is that it happens at all. Jesus, an observant Jew of that time, was expected to avoid conversation with women in public. The animosity between the Jews and the Samaritans should have prevented the conversation as well.

The woman herself alludes to the break from tradition: “How can you, a Jew, ask me, a Samaritan woman, for a drink?” Yet Jesus not only converses with the woman, he also asks to share her drinking vessel, an action that makes him unclean according to Jewish law.

The initial conversation between Jesus and the woman is better understood if we consider the importance of water, especially in the climate of Israel. At first, the woman understands Jesus’ promise of “living water” in a literal sense: “Sir, give me this water, so that I may not be thirsty or have to keep coming here to draw water.” With no running water, the daily trip to the well by the women of the community was of paramount importance.

The women of the town would have traveled to the well in the early morning, but this woman came to the well at noon, the hottest time of the day. The timing of her visit is a clear sign that she is an outcast within the Samaritan community. We learn in her conversation with Jesus that she is an outcast because of her “many husbands.”

After the conversation, the Samaritan woman becomes a disciple. Even though she is an outcast and not a Jew, she returns to her town to lead others to Jesus and to wonder whether she has found the Messiah. The Samaritan townspeople return with her to meet Jesus for themselves, and many are said to come to believe in him.

The significance of the encounter between Jesus and the Samaritan woman has many levels. The first is personal: The woman is herself converted to belief in Jesus as Messiah because he knows her sin but speaks with her just the same. The second is social: Having come to know Jesus as the Messiah, the Samaritan woman becomes an evangelist to her own people. The third level of the story is educational: Jesus uses his encounter with the Samaritan woman to teach his disciples that God’s mercy is without limit. The conversion of the Samaritan townspeople is a foretaste of the kind of open community that will be created among those who believe that Jesus is the Messiah.

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Crafters First Project

All are invited to participate in our first project. Please join us on March 22 @ 6:30 p.m. Details are located in the Narthex on the side window, including supplies needed and project samples. Call Chris DePerno at (770) 726-9701.



Worldwide Marriage Encounter



Married Couples and Priests “Everyone who drinks this water will be thirsty again; but whoever drinks the water I shall give will never thirst.” Let Jesus fill your thirst for a blessed marriage. Participate in the next Worldwide Marriage Encounter Experience on April 14-16 or June 9-11. You can also look for virtual experiences and get more information and apply online at www.wme.org/apply or by calling **678-242-WWME**.

Por Encuentro Matrimonio Mundial: www.wme.org/?lang=es.

SVdP Parish WWME Contact: juliepoe777@gmail.com .



Become a member by visiting KofC.org/joinus and enter our council #12287. When prompted for free membership use the code **BLESSEDMCGIVNEY**”.

For more information contact:

Grand Knight, Ken Bishop – (770) 241-5226
or Membership Director, Randy Brown – (770) 401-7527.



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/>.

The Division of Family and Children Services - Report child abuse and neglect by phone to 1-855-GA CHILD or 1-855-422-4453, 24 hours/day, 7 days/week.

Ministry Schedule - March 18-19, 2023

Ministry volunteers who are currently serving are asked to sign up for open positions through the MSP app

	Set-Up	Deacon	Lector	EMOHC	Guardian	Usher	Servers (Senior Server, Candle Bearer/ Paten)
Saturday 4:00 PM	Millie Reisinger		Joe Adams	Mary Marks	Deb Heinrich Carmen Amodio	Ken Bishop Skip Heinrich	<i>Volunteer needed</i> <i>Volunteer needed</i>
Sunday 9:00 AM	Millie Reisinger		Randy Brown	JoAnne Burch	Jennifer Robinson Theresa Dodd	Andrea Konnick Ruby Branton Bill Hew	<i>Volunteer needed</i> <i>Volunteer needed</i>
Sunday 12 Noon	Millie Reisinger		Patricia Brunner	Kerry Lambert	Rochelle Focaracci Dianne Karampelas	Maria Stormont Jim Stormont Juan Hernandez	<i>Volunteer needed</i> <i>Volunteer needed</i>
Sunday 3:00 PM	Hilda Fuentes	Deacon Jose Perez, Sr.	Cerela Vera	Assistants to Fr. Omar <i>1-Luis Garcia</i> <i>2-Volunteer needed</i>	Vielka Jordan Nelida Morales	Carlos Neyra Carolina Neyra Ortiz	<i>Crucifero:</i> Eliezer Morales <i>Cirial 1:</i> Victor Monterroso <i>Cirial 2:</i> Darwin Monterroso

THE ST. VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY

770-443-1533

We are in need of volunteers at the St. Vincent de Paul Society and Thrift Store. Please call the number above for more information. We provide financial assistance and food to local residents in need.

During February 2023, the Dallas SVdP Society assisted the needy in the Paulding County area with:

- \$ 9,089.50 in payments for Housing for 6 families
- \$ 10,852.86 in 31 payments for utilities
- \$ 542.62 in 1 payment for Transportation

Thank you for your generosity.

Thrift Store Hours:

M-F 10:00 a.m.- 5:00 p.m. Sat. 10:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.

America's #1 Religion Podcast from Fr. Mike Schmitz: *The Bible in a Year*

In The Bible in a Year podcast, Fr. Mike Schmitz walks you through the entire Catholic Bible in 365 days, providing commentary, reflection, and prayer along the way. In addition to the 365 daily episodes, Fr. Mike Schmitz will be joined by Jeff Cavins for twelve additional special episodes to introduce each new time period. Find out more about The Bible in a Year podcast and how to listen at <https://ascensionpress.com/pages/biy-registration>.

From St. Faustina's Diary *Nothing Will Stop Me*

MEDITATION:

Today the Lord said to me, **“My daughter, My pleasure and delight, nothing will stop Me from granting you graces. Your misery does not hinder My mercy. My daughter, write that the greater the misery of a soul, the greater its right to My mercy; [urge] all souls to trust in the unfathomable abyss of My mercy, because I want to save them all. On the cross, the fountain of My mercy was opened wide by the lance for all souls — no one have I excluded!”** (Diary, 1182).

MY PRAYER RESPONSE

Thank You, Jesus, that nothing will stop You from granting me Your graces. I rely on Your Heart opened on the Cross to bathe me in Your mercy. Bathe me and the whole world in Your mercy!

The words of Jesus appear in boldface type.

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FIRST FRUITS OF OUR LABOR

February 25-26, 2023



Saturday	4:00 p.m.	\$ 1,701.00	Att -161
Sunday	9:00 a.m.	\$ 1,720.00	Att -227
Sunday	12:00 noon	\$ 1,165.16	Att -161
Sunday	3:00 p.m.	\$ 172.61	Att -56
Mail-In		\$ 2,796.25	
Online		\$ 1,821.38	
Total Offertory		\$ 9,376.40	Att -605
Ash Wednesday	Noon	\$850.10	Att -209
	6:15	\$898.00	Att -308

Thank you for your generosity!



Thank you to all who have made a gift or a pledge to the Archbishop's Annual Appeal. For those who have not made a pledge or gift but still desire to be part of the 2023 campaign, please visit our website www.archatl.com/appeal or annualappeal@archatl.com. You may also contact the Office of Stewardship at (404) 920-7600.

SVdP Faith Formation Activities

RCIA Sessions 2022-2023

RCIA classes are held on Wednesday evenings, starting with Holy Mass at 6:15 P.M. Following Holy Mass, class will begin at approximately 7:00 p.m. All are invited to attend.

- **Session 21 on March 15 - Last Things**
- **Session 22 on March 22- Paschal Mystery**
- **April 2—10:30 a.m. Practice after 9:00 a.m. Holy Mass**

Catholic Adult Faith Enrichment

We invite you to join us on Sundays during RE classes, in St. Gerard Hall!

Catecismo Español / Estudio Bíblico para Adultos

Domingos por la mañana durante la clase de RE Salón 6
10:30 a.m.—11:45 a.m.

- **Marzo 12 - Los Angeles**
- **Marzo 19 - Cuaresma**
- **Marzo 26- Semana Santa**

Youth Activity Nights - 6:15-8:30 p.m.

- **Wednesday, March 22— Seder Meal**
- **Wednesday, April 12— The Environment**
- **Wednesday May 10 — Marian Apparitions**

Abortion in America



"America you are beautiful and blessed. The ultimate test of your greatness is the way you treat every human being, but especially the weakest and most defenseless. If you want equal justice for all and true freedom and lasting peace, then America, defend life". -
Pope John Paul II

- America was founded upon the "self-evident truth" that all humans are endowed with the unalienable right to LIFE. Yet a baby is aborted every 23 seconds in the U.S. Over 4,000 babies are aborted every day.
- About 60 million babies have been aborted since the decision of Roe v Wade in January 1973. Abortion is truly "America's holocaust".
- The abortion rate in the U.S. is higher than Western Europe and Canada. It is not as high as the rates in China, Cuba and the former Soviet Union countries which have reached epidemic levels.
- Teenagers constitute around 20% of all abortions in the U.S. About 55% of minors who have abortions do not tell their parents.
- 17 states use public funds to pay for abortions, so about 15% of all abortions in the U.S. are paid for with public money. Our tax dollars fund Planned Parenthood, the nation's largest abortion provider and promoter of casual sex and abortion.

Pro-Life Articles

Religious Education at SVdP

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Our webpage address is:

www.saintvincentdepaulchurch.org.

- The Lenten Kick-Off is underway for Our RE Ministry, *Seeking Goodness Through Helping the Needy*. Please donate personal items such as deodorant, toothbrushes, toothpaste, razors, soap, candles, toilet paper, shampoo, lotion, etc. Donations may be sent to RE classrooms, the RE office, the RE workroom, or placed in Room 8.
- The Mini-Retreat for this year's First Communicants will be held on Saturday, March 25, from 1:00-5:00 p.m. We will meet in St. Gerard Hall and conclude with Holy Mass at 4:00. This is a required event for 2023 FHC recipients and a parent.

"Catechesis ~ the call to be a Witness."

Catechist Training

Ideal for ANY person engaged in teaching:

*Parent, Teacher, Catechist, Assistant,
Ministry Leader, etc.*

Dates: Sundays – March 12, 19, 26 (additional meetings to be held as needed)

Time: 1:30 – 2:30 p.m. Light Refreshments Provided

Place: Simpson Hall, Room A



March 2023 (Revised)

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

Weekend Holy Masses: Saturday Vigil 4 p.m., Sundays 9 a.m., 12 noon, Santa Misa en Español at 3 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
5 No 2nd Collection RE Elementary Activities 1:00-3:00 p.m.	6	7 Cenacle Following 12 noon Holy Mass	8 Holy Mass 12 noon Adoration and Confessions 1:00-2:00 p.m. Penance Service 7:00	9	10 Stations of the Cross - 6:30 p.m. Lenten Dinner -7:00 p.m.	11 WARG Morning of Reflection 8:30 a.m.-1:00 p.m. First Saturday Devotion 1:00 p.m.
12 2nd Collection: <i>Capital Improvement</i> RE	13 Knights of Columbus 6:30 p.m. Rosary 7:00 p.m. Meeting	14 Cenacle Following 12 noon Holy Mass	15 Holy Mass 12 noon Adoration and Confessions 1:00-2:00 p.m. Choir Practice 7:30-9:00 p.m.	16	17 Stations of the Cross - 6:30 p.m. Lenten Dinner -7:00 p.m.	18 10:00 a.m. - Altar Server Training
19 No 2nd Collection RE	20 Women's Altar Rosary Guild 6:30 p.m. Social 7:00 p.m. Rosary 7:30 Meeting	21 Cenacle Following 12 noon Holy Mass	22 Holy Mass 12 noon Adoration and Confessions 1:00-2:00 p.m. Youth Activities Night Choir Practice 7:30-9:00 p.m.	23	24 Stations of the Cross - 6:30 p.m. Lenten Dinner -7:00 p.m.	25 RCIA Morning of Reflection 9:00-12 noon Holy Mass—12 noon First Holy Communion Retreat 1:00—5:00 p.m.
26 2nd Collection: <i>Future Building and Emergency Needs Fund</i> RE	27	28 Cenacle Following 12 noon Holy Mass	29 Holy Mass 12 noon Adoration and Confessions 1:00-2:00 p.m. Choir Practice 7:30-9:00 p.m.	30	31 Stations of the Cross - 6:30 p.m. Lenten Dinner -7:00 p.m.	