

# 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)

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January 21, 2024 Third Sunday in Ordinary Time



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 January 20 <i>Third Sunday in Ordinary Time</i>	4:00 p.m. Valerie Jones	Jonah 3: 1-5, 10 Psalm 25: 4-9 1 Corinthians 7: 29-31 Mark 1: 14-20
Sunday January 21 Third Sunday in Ordinary Time	9:00 a.m. Parishioners (Living & Deceased) 12 noon + Judith Antonelli 3:00 p.m. In Thanksgiving - Ballesta Santas family	Jonah 3: 1-5, 10 Psalm 25: 4-9 1 Corinthians 7: 29-31 Mark 1: 14-20
Monday January 22	12 noon + Wierzcholek Family	2 Samuel 5: 1-7, 10 Psalm 89: 20-22, 25-26 Mark 3: 22-30
Tuesday January 23 Saint Vincent, Deacon, Martyr; Saint Marianne Cope, Virgin	12 noon + Rosemarie Glover	2 Samuel 6: 12b-15, 17-19 Psalm 24: 7-10 Mark 3: 31-35
Wednesday January 24 Saint Francis de Sales, Bishop, Doctor of the Church	6:15 p.m. + Nancy Tokarz	2 Samuel 7: 4-17 Psalm 89: 4-5, 27-30 Mark 4: 1-20
Thursday January 25 The Conversion of Saint Paul the Apostle		Acts 22: 3-16 Psalm 117: 1-2 Mark 16: 15-18
Friday January 26 Saints Timothy and Titus, Bishops		2 Timothy 1: 1-8 Psalm 96: 1-3, 7-8a, 10 Mark 4: 26-34
Saturday January 27 Saint Angela Merici, Virgin		2 Samuel 12: 1-7a, 10-17 Psalm 51: 12-17 Mark 4: 35-41

#### Sunday, January 28

Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time
Deuteronomy 18: 15-20
Psalm 95: 1-2, 6-9
1 Corinthians 7: 32-35
Mark 1: 21-28

## 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 William Bickleman and for living and deceased members of the Bickleman family.



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' JANUARY PRAYER INTENTION - For The Gift Of Diversity In The Church

Let us pray that the Holy Spirit helps us recognize the gift of different charisms within the Christian community, and to discover the richness of different ritual traditions in the heart of the Catholic Church.





#### 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:
Patrick Miller, June Fennelly, Eileen Parker, Werner
Pleus, Donald Pastor, Michael Daigle, Jr., Mike Holder,
Lucia Ochoa de Villegas, Dell Chastain, Patricia Sosbee,
John Nicholson, Monitta Bottomlee, Judith Antonelli,
Wierzcholek family, Rosemarie Glover, Nancy Tokarz,
Bruce Collins, Corinne Masche.

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:

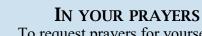
- Baptisms will not be scheduled until parents and Godparents have attended the class and all paperwork has been turned in.
- This includes a St. Vincent de Paul Parish Registration Packet (if the family is not already registered), the Baptism Registration Form and Sponsor Certificates for both Godparents.
- For children who are seven or older, there are additional requirements. Please contact <u>nchisholm@svdpatl.com</u> for details.



Tell souls not to place within their own hearts obstacles to My mercy, which so greatly wants to act within them. My mercy works in all those hearts which open their doors to it. Both the sinner and the righteous person have need of My mercy. Conversion, as well as perseverance, is a grace of My mercy (Diary, 1577).

#### MY PRAYER RESPONSE:

Lord Jesus, help me to be more present to Your presence in my heart. I pray for the grace of Your mercy that I may persevere in keeping my heart open to You. And I pray that the hardened hearts of sinners may be softened for conversion, which is also a grace of Your mercy.



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, Petronita Rodriguez, Arcadro Vilaforo, Mercedes Amaya, Lidia Abvela de Estefania, Hyppolite Renous and family, Londono-Villegas family, Villegas-Ochoa family, Fr. Brian Sheridan, MS, Fr. Paul Rainville, MS, Margaret Adams, Michael Frizie, Col. Roland Craig, John Dunaway, Wayne and Kathy Beyea, Stanley Britain,

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.

## **A Special Valentine Event**

The first annual SVdP Father - Daughter dance will be held on February 10<sup>th</sup> from 5:30 to 8:00 p.m. in Simpson Hall. Tickets are now on sale after all of the Saturday and Sunday Holy Masses.

Dancing, refreshments, crafts and other activities will take place. Tickets are \$30 for Father and one daughter. There is a charge of \$10 for each additional daughter.



# 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 January:
Knight of the Month—Matthew Ludovici

And
Family of the Month—The Enio Fraga family

#### Information on Safe Environment and Reporting Child Abuse

#### The Discalced Carmelite Saints Saint Elizabeth of the Trinity 1880-1906 -- Feast Day Nov 8th

...God has an immense desire to enrich us with His graces, but it is we who determine the amount to the extent that we know how to let ourselves be immolated by Him...

St. Elizabeth of the Trinity



Matrimony: A calling to forgive! "Mercy is the force that reawakens us to new life and instills in us the courage to look to the future with hope."

Retrouvaille offers a welcoming and loving space to couples who have been living with the misery of a failing marriage. Retrouvaille offers hope: hope that it is not too late, hope of a different and better marriage. Retrouvaille helps couples to show each other mercy through the opportunities it provides to listen, to forgive, to be reconciled and to move into their futures believing that God loves them and with His help and their efforts, their marriages can be healed and restored. Retrouvaille provides help for marriage problems/difficulties/crises. For more information about our upcoming Retrouvaille Weekend program, January 26-28,2024, contact:

Mus and Rubina @ (404) 234-6006 or visit our website: *HelpOurMarriage.org*.

### **Epiphany Procession at SVdP**

At the 9:00 a.m. Holy Mass on Epiphany Sunday we saw the visit of the Wisemen come alive once again at SVdP. Aiden Grisham, Robert Birdsall and Mason Lloret played the roles of Melchior, Caspar and Balthasar as they processed into the church to present their gifts of gold, frankincense and myrrh to the child, Jesus.



## "Keeping Christ in Christmas" Poster Contest

We would like to thank all of the children who submitted entries, and their parents, for participating in the Knights of Columbus poster contest, "Keeping Christ in Christmas." There were many excellent entries.

Congratulations to the 2023 contest winners: Evelyn Grisham (Pre-K – Kindergarten) Roy Lawrence (1st - 2nd Grade) Darlyne Monterroso (3rd - 4th grade) Addison Grisham (5th - 6th grade) Vincent Gettemy (7th - 8th grade)



#### Gospel Reading January 21 Mark 1: 14-20



Jesus calls the fishermen, Simon and Andrew, James and John, to be his disciples.

The Gospel of Mark does not begin with a narrative about Jesus' birth. Instead Mark begins by reporting on the preaching of John the Baptist. John is described as the voice in the wilderness sent to prepare the way of the Lord. Immediately after describing the work of John the Baptist, Mark reports on Jesus' baptism and his temptation in the desert. Jesus' public ministry begins after the arrest of John the Baptist. Mark wants his readers to understand the important connection between the end of the ministry of John the Baptist and the beginning of Jesus' own ministry.

As we learn at the beginning of today's Gospel reading, Jesus preaches the Kingdom of God in continuity with the preaching of John the Baptist. Like John the Baptist, Jesus' pronouncement of the kingdom is a call to repentance. Yet Jesus' preaching is greater than John's. Jesus begins the time of fulfillment; the Kingdom of God is already here. This will be demonstrated again and again, both in Jesus' words and in the actions that follow. Jesus' healings and forgiveness of sins are signs of the Kingdom of God that he announces in his teaching.

In contrast to last week's Gospel, in Mark's Gospel Jesus takes the initiative in calling his first disciples. As mentioned last week, it was more typical of first-century rabbinical schools for students to seek out rabbis, asking to be their disciples. In Mark's Gospel, Jesus breaks with this tradition and invites his disciples to learn from him. Jesus is said to have first called four fishermen, Simon, Andrew, James, and John. Simon and Andrew are brothers. Jesus promises that he will make them "fishers of men." James and John are also brothers. Mark does not report Jesus' words of invitation to them, but he does report that they left their fishing immediately; their father, Zebedee, was left behind in the boat.

Mark's Gospel is told with a great sense of urgency and immediacy. Jesus is a person of action, and events occur in rapid succession. We see this in today's Gospel. Time is of the essence; the fishermen immediately put aside their livelihood to become Jesus' disciples. The Kingdom of God is here and now. The time of fulfillment is at hand. How might our lives be different if we more fully shared this sense of the immediacy of God's kingdom?

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#### 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.

# Ministry Schedule: January 27-28, 2024

	Set-Up		Lector	Eucharistic Minister/ EMOHC	Guardian	Usher	Servers (Senior Server, Candle Bearer/Paten, etc.)
Saturday 4:00 PM	Millie Reisinger	Deacon Jimmy Williams	Deb Heinrich	Deacon Jimmy Williams	Julie Poe Carmen Amodio	Bob Binns Skip Heinrich	Vincent Gettemy  Donald Gettemy
Sunday 9:00 AM	Millie Reisinger	Live Stream Clyde Keiss	Christie Harrison	JoAnne Burch	Millie Reisinger Carolyn Attaway	Randy Brown  Dennis  Mahon  David Fenner	Zachary Holland  Christopher Holland  Nicholas Condoluci
Sunday 12 Noon	Millie Reisinger		Jeanie Blowers	Michael Terrill	Rochelle Focaracci Rick Brunner	Jim Stormont  Maria Stormont  Volunteer Needed	Volunteer Needed Volunteer needed
Sunday 3:00 PM	Vielka Jordan	Deacon Jose Perez, Sr.	Hilda Fuentes	Asistente 1 Marco Castro Asistente 2 William Alvardo	Vielka Jordan Carmen Perez	Nelida Morales Carlos Neyra	Crucifero Luis Garcia Cirial 1 Manuel Hernandez Cirial 2 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 December, 2023, we provided assistance to 79 individuals in 31 families, including:

\$ 1,182.62 in food \$ 5,476.79 in Housing \$ 4,885.80 in Transportation \$ 4,581.00 in Utilities

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.



# FIRST FRUITS OF OUR LABOR

January 6-7, 2023



Saturday	4:00 p.m.	\$ 2,239.09	Att - 122
Sunday	9:00 a.m.	\$ 3,022.00	Att -238
Sunday	12:00 noon	\$ 1,271.36	Att -218
Sunday	3:00 p.m.	\$ 329.00	Att –90
Mail-In		\$ 90.00	
Online		\$ 2,215.00	
Total Offertory		\$ 9,166.45	Att -668
2nd Coll. Capital Improvements		\$2,014.40	

Thank you for your generosity!



Archdiocese of Atlanta Annual Appeal 2023 As of 01/11/24

 St. Vincent de Paul's 2023 Parish Goal: \$ 35,000.00

 Donations Received: \$ 51,440.13

 Amount Over (Under) Goal: \$ 16,440.13

Current Number of Donors for 2023: 134 Percentage of Goal Received: 146.97%



Are you hurting from a past abortion? Join us for PATH's life-changing weekend February 9-11, 2024 where you will find spiritual healing for your soul wound of abortion. We will walk alongside you as you dive deep and help you connect the dots to many triggers and symptoms that have kept you stuck in life.

Give yourself the gift of healing this New Year.

To register, or if you have any questions, call or text Liz Youngs at (404) 717-5557.

Email: <u>programdirector@pathatl.com</u>
All communications are strictly confidential.



#### A MESSAGE FOR THE PRO-ABORTION MEMBERS OF CONGRESS



A worried woman went to her gynecologist and said, "Doctor, I have a serious problem and desperately need your help! My baby is not even one year old and I'm pregnant again. I don't want kids so close together."

So, the doctor said, "And what do you want me to do?" She replied, "I want you to end my pregnancy, and I'm counting on your help."

The doctor thought for a while, and after some silence he said to her, "I think I have a better solution for your problem. It's less dangerous for you, too."

She smiled, thinking that the doctor was going to fulfill her request. He continued, "You see, in order for you to not have to take care of two babies at the same time, let's kill the one in your arms. This way, you could rest before the other one is born.

If we are going to take the life of one of them, it does not matter which one it is. There would be no risk to your body if you chose the one in your arms."

The horrified woman said, "No, doctor. How terrible! It's a crime to kill a child!"

The doctor had made his point. If only the pro-abortion Members of Congress would get it!

**Pro-Life Articles** 

## Religious Education at SVdP

Directors of Religious Education:

Nancy Chisholm Mary Ware

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Our webpage address is:

www.saintvincentdepaulchurch.org.

- All students preparing for First Holy Communion are required to have a copy of their Birth Certificate and Baptism Certificate on file at SVdP. If you were baptized at SVdP, we have the Baptism Certificate already, but still need the Birth Certificate. If you were baptized elsewhere, we need copies of both documents. Please submit these by January 28, 2024.
- We will have a meeting for parents of prospective 2024 First Holy Communion recipients in SVdP RE classes on January 28<sup>th</sup>at 10:30 a.m. in St. Gerard Hall. We will go over FHC activities scheduled up to and including the First Holy Communion Mass on May 4<sup>th</sup>.

# January 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.

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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	1 12 noon Holy Mass Office Closed	2 Office Closed	3	4	5 Charismatic Prayer Group SGH 7:30 p.m.	6 First Saturday Devotion 1:00 p.m.
		Fatl	Father Adrian away-No Holy Mass or Adoration	oly Mass or Ad	oration	
7 2nd Collection: Capital Improvements Adoration following 9:00 a.m. Holy Mass Cenacle in Spanish at 1:45 p.m. RE	Knights of Columbus 6:30 p.m. Rosary 7:00 p.m. Dinner 7:30 Meeting	9 Cenacle Following 12 noon Holy Mass	10 Choir Practice 7:30-9:00 p.m.	=	12 Charismatic Prayer Group SGH 7:30 p.m.	13
14 2nd Collection: Arch. Hispanic Ministries Cenacle in Spanish at 1:45 p.m. RE	Office Closed No Holy Mass WARG 6:30 p.m. Social 7:00 p.m. Rosary 7:30 Meeting	16 Cenacle Following 12 noon Holy Mass	17 9:00 a.m. Holy Mass Confessions at 5:00 p.m. 6:15 p.m. Holy Mass	18	19 Charismatic Prayer Group SGH 7:30 p.m.	20
21 2nd Collection: Pro Life Cenacle in Spanish at 1:45 p.m. RE	22	23 Cenacle Following 12 noon Holy Mass	24 Youth Activities Night Choir Practice 7:30-9:00 p.m.	25	26 Charismatic Prayer Group SGH 7:30 p.m.	27
28 2nd Collection: Future Bldg. & Emergency Needs FHC Parent Meeting 10:30 SGH Cenacle in Spanish at 1:45 p.m. RE		30 Cenacle Following 12 noon Holy Mass	31 Choir Practice 7:30-9:00 p.m.			