

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

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Pastor

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Deacon

Pray for the repose of
the soul of

Rev. Mr. Steve Bek
(1945 - 2017)

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December 4, 2022
Second Sunday of Advent



Holy Mass Times:

Saturday: 4:00 p.m., 6:00 p.m. (En Español) **Sunday:** 9:00 a.m., 12 noon
As of December 31st, the Saturday 6 p.m. Holy Mass time will move to Sunday at 3 p.m.

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 December 3 <i>Second Sunday of Advent</i>	4:00 p.m. + Kersten Anthon Mirand 6:00 p.m. + Luz Maria Oda	Isaiah 11: 1-10 Psalm 72: 1-2, 7-8, 12-13, 17 Romans 15: 4-9 Matthew 3: 1-12
Sunday December 4 <i>Second Sunday of Advent</i>	9:00 a.m. Parishioners (Living & Deceased) 12 noon + Henry Danowski	Isaiah 11: 1-10 Psalm 72: 1-2, 7-8, 12-13, 17 Romans 15: 4-9 Matthew 3: 1-12
Monday December 5	12 noon + Brandon Lacki	Isaiah 35: 1-10 Psalm 85: 9-14 Luke 5: 17-26
Tuesday December 6 <i>Saint Nicholas, Bishop</i>	12 noon Doyle and Philomena Griffith	Isaiah 40: 1-11 Psalm 96: 1-3, 10-13 Matthew 18: 12-14
Wednesday December 7 <i>Saint Ambrose, Bishop, Doctor of the Church</i>	12 noon. + Margaret McCann 6:15 p.m. Parishioners (Living & Deceased)	Isaiah 40: 25-31 Psalm 103: 1-4, 8, 10 Matthew 11: 28-30
Thursday December 8 <i>Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary</i>	12 noon Parishioners (Living & Deceased)	Genesis 3: 9-15, 20 Psalm 98: 1-4 Ephesians 1: 3-6, 11-12
Friday December 9 <i>Saint Juan Diego Cuauhtlatoatzin</i>		Isaiah 48: 17-19 Psalm 1: 1-4, 6 Matthew 11: 16-19
Saturday December 10 <i>Our Lady of Loreto</i>		Sirach 48: 1-4, 9-11 Psalm 80: 2-3, 15-16, 18-19 Matthew 17:9a, 10-13

Readings for Sunday, December 11, 2022

Third Sunday of Advent

Isaiah 35: 1-6a, 10

Psalm 146: 6-10

James 5: 7-10

Matthew 11: 2-11



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.

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.

Flowers On The Altar

Flowers on the Altar this weekend are for

The Antonelli Family





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:

Betty Blanchette, Monica Tsoungui, Roosevelt Boston, Paul Duncan III, Rick Moreno, Patricia Whittaker, Gabe Focaracci, Jeffrey Grecco, Marcela Pérez, Terry Anthony, Pam Meguiar, Jeff Strauss, Bonnie Grimm, Julio Aristozabal, Agnes Skapik, Marie Bakkegard, Mary Joseph Carter, Kersten Anthon Mirand, Luz Maria Oda, Henry Danowski, Brandon Lacki, Margaret McCann,

and all those who have gone before us.



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, Rebekah Heaton, Pat Arnold and family, Mary and Fred Speeney, Rochelle and Louis Focaracci and family, Bob Binns, Stan Chisholm, Antonio Sawyer, Bonnie Ann DeVoe, Guadalupe Botello, Hyppolite Renous, Candice Crawford,

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.



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 to acquire 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 and older, there are additional requirements.** Please contact nchisholm@svdpatl.com for details.



Preparation for 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 Consecration to the Holy Family.

This will take place in the following way:

1. Pray 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. Attend Holy Mass every Sunday and on Holy Days of Obligation.
3. Go to Confession.
4. Adore our Lord in the Blessed Sacrament.

The novena of prayers for the renewal of the parish consecration is underway. The consecration will take place *December 31 & January 1, during all Holy Masses.*
The Consecration to the Holy Family is a Knights of Columbus Faith in Action Program.



Eucharistic Revival



The Holy Spirit and the Eucharistic Celebration

(25) St. John Chrysostom too notes that the priest invokes the Holy Spirit when he celebrates the sacrifice. (26) Like Elijah, the minister calls down the Holy Spirit so that "as grace comes down upon the victim, the souls of all are thereby inflamed" (27). The spiritual life of the faithful can benefit greatly from a better appreciation of the richness of the anaphora: along with the words spoken by Christ at the Last Supper, it contains the epiclesis, the petition to the Father to send down the gift of the Spirit so that the bread and wine will become the body and blood of Jesus Christ, and that "the community as a whole will become ever more the body of Christ" (28).

POST-SYNODAL APOSTOLIC EXHORTATION SACRAMENTUM CARITATIS OF THE HOLY FATHER BENEDICT XVI



POPE FRANCIS' DECEMBER PRAYER INTENTION

Volunteer Not-for-profit Organizations

We pray that volunteer non-profit organizations committed to human development find people dedicated to the common good and ceaselessly seek out new paths to international cooperation.





From St. Faustina's Diary *Be Always Ready*



MEDITATION:

Today I said to the Lord, “When will You take me to Yourself? I’ve been feeling so ill, and I’ve been waiting for Your coming with such longing!” Jesus answered me, **Be always ready; I will not leave you in this exile for long. My holy will must be fulfilled in you.** O Lord, if Your holy will has not yet been entirely fulfilled in me, here I am, ready for everything that You want, O Lord! O my Jesus, there is only one thing which surprises me; namely, that You make so many secrets known to me; but that one secret, the hour of my death, You do not want to tell me. And the Lord answered me, **Be at peace; I will let you know, but not just now** (*Diary*, 1539).

MY PRAYER RESPONSE

Lord Jesus, prepare me for my own personal end times. May I fulfill Your will in my life and be at peace with Your perfect timing for my death and entrance into eternal life with You.

The words of Jesus appear in boldface type.

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. **The topic for Session 12 on December 7 is *The Virgin Mary*.**

Catecismo Español / Estudio Bíblica para Adultos

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

- **December 4 - Tiempos Litúrgicos y sus colores**
- **December 11 - Adviento y Navidad**



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Catholic Adult Faith Enrichment



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



Gospel for Sunday December 4

Matthew 3:1-12

John the Baptist appears in Judea preaching a message of repentance.



John the Baptist appears in the tradition of the great prophets of Israel, preaching repentance and reform to the people of Israel. In fact, the description of John found in this reading is reminiscent of the description of the prophet Elijah (2 Kings 1:8). In this reading, John directs a particularly pointed call to repentance to the Pharisees and Sadducees, parties within the Jewish community of the first century.

John marks the conversion of those who seek him out with a baptism of repentance. Other groups in this period are thought to have practiced ritual washings for similar purposes, and John's baptism may have been related to the practices of the Essenes, a Jewish sect of the first century. John's baptism can be understood as an anticipation of Christian baptism. In this passage, John himself alludes to the difference between his baptism and the one yet to come: “I am baptizing you with water, for repentance . . . He will baptize you with the Holy Spirit and fire.” (Matthew 3:11).

In this reading, John makes very clear that his relationship to the Messiah yet to come (Jesus) is one of service and subservience: “. . . the one who is coming after me is mightier than I. I am not worthy to carry his sandals” (Matthew 3:11). In the context of Matthew's Gospel, today's passage is followed by Jesus' baptism by John, an event that is attested to in all four of the Gospels and appears to have been the start of Jesus' public ministry.

John's preaching of the coming of the Lord is a key theme of the Advent season. As John's message prepared the way for Jesus in the first century, we, too, are called to prepare ourselves for Jesus' coming. We respond to John's message by our repentance and reform of our lives. We are also called to be prophets of Christ, who announce by our lives, as John did, the coming of the Lord.

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What is the HOMEBOUND MINISTRY?

Our Mission is to remind those who can't join us at Holy Mass - that they are missed, prayed for, and loved by their parish family. Once each month we gather to send a card to each of our homebound parishioners, to give them a bit of extra love and to let them know they are remembered. Do you have one hour each month that you can spend with us, sharing your heartfelt love for those who can't be with us due to illness or infirmity? If you are unable to attend Mass or know someone who is, or if you would like to join us, please contact Sandra Mackey, at (678)-907-2117, or shaymackretired@gmail.com.

Ministry Schedule - December 10-11, 2022

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

	Set-Up	Deacon	EMOHC	Lector	Guardian	Usher	Senior Server Candle Bearer & Paten
Saturday 4:00 PM	Millie Reisinger		Carmen Amodio	Deb Heinrich	Brenda Strauss Marylou Bishop	Ken Bishop Skip Heinrich	Ian Wilkins <i>Volunteer needed</i>
Saturday 6:00 PM	Carmen Perez	Deacon Jose Perez, Sr.	Deacon Jose Perez, Sr.	Carolina Neyra Ortiz	Carmen Perez Carlos Neyra	Berenice Ontiveros <i>Volunteer needed</i>	<i>Volunteer needed</i> <i>Volunteer needed</i>
Sunday 9:00 AM	Millie Reisinger		Jeanie Blowers	Brian Blowers	Jennifer Robinson Bob Babecka	Andrea Konnick Ruby Branton Bill Hew	<i>Volunteer needed</i> <i>Volunteer needed</i>
Sunday 12 Noon	Millie Reisinger	Deacon Jose Perez, Sr.	Deacon Jose Perez, Sr.	Teresa Powers	Maria Stormont John Ngeh	Jim Stormont Don Imbordino Juan Hernandez	<i>Volunteer needed</i> <i>Volunteer needed</i> <i>Volunteer needed</i>



Religious Education at SVdP

Co-Directors of Religious Education:

Nancy Chisholm

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Our webpage address is:

www.saintvincentdepaulchurch.org

- We will have class on December 4 and 11, 2022.
- Classes will not be held on December 18 and 25, 2022, or on January 1, 2023, in honor of the birth of our Lord, Jesus Christ.
- RE classes will resume on January 8, 2023.
- We wish you all a blessed Christmas filled with the love and peace of our Lord Jesus Christ.



A Rite for Advent at Home

Second Sunday of Advent



Traditionally, an Advent wreath is made of 4 candles in a circle. Each day at home, the candles are lit - one candle the first week and then another each succeeding week until December 25th.

A short prayer may accompany each lighting. The rose candle is usually lit on the 3rd Sunday of Advent. This long-standing tradition is a way to share our faith in our homes and not lose sight of the true meaning of Christmas.

The Advent wreath had been adapted into Christian tradition by the Middle Ages - around the 16th century. The wreath signifies continuous life. The 4 candles represent the 4 weeks of Advent and their light signifies Christ, the light of the world.

The second candle is lit and all pray:

O King of all nations, Jesus Christ, only joy of every heart, come and save your people.

Mass Time Change

The Saturday 6 p.m. Vigil Holy Mass that is celebrated in Spanish will move to Sunday at 3:00 p.m., beginning the weekend of December 31st and January 1st. Any scheduled Mass Intentions will move with the Holy Mass.

St. Therese of Lisieux's Prayer for Priests

O Jesus, eternal Priest, keep your priests within the shelter of Your Sacred Heart, where none may touch them. Keep unstained their anointed hands, which daily touch Your Sacred Body. Keep unsullied their lips, daily purpled with your Precious Blood. Keep pure and unearthly their hearts, sealed with the sublime mark of the priesthood. Let Your holy love surround them and shield them from the world's contagion. Bless their labors with abundant fruit and may the souls to whom they minister be their joy and consolation here, and their everlasting crown in the hereafter.

Here Today-The Discalced Carmelite Saints

St. John of the Cross

1542-1591

Feast Day December 14th

“Deny your desires and you will find what your heart longs for. For how do you know if any desire of yours is according to God?”

-The sayings of Light and Love-





FIRST FRUITS OF OUR LABOR

November 19-20, 2022



Saturday	4:00 p.m.	\$ 1,626.00	Att -147
Saturday	6:00 p.m.	\$ 208.00	Att - 51
Sunday	9:00 a.m.	\$1,045.50	Att -121
Sunday	12:00 noon	\$ 1,030.50	Att -139
Mail-In		\$ 1,415.55	
Online		\$ 1,255.00	
Total Offertory		\$ 6,580.55	Att -458

No 2nd Collection

Thank you for your generosity!



*****As of 11/27/2022*****

St. Vincent de Paul's 2022 Parish Goal: \$ 34,800.00
 Donations Received: \$ 40,912.09
 Amount Over (Under) Goal: \$ 6,112.09

Current Number of Donors for 2022: 144
Number of 2021 Donors: 169
Percent of goal received: 117.56 %

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Holy Mass during Advent

Holy Mass on Wednesdays during Advent will be celebrated at noon, due to Fr. Adrian's required presence at Penance Services and other activities throughout the deanery. Adoration and Confessions will follow Holy Mass.

Would You Like to be a Lector?

We would like to offer a NEW Lector training session on a Saturday in January, yet to be determined, based on interest and availability. If you are interested in becoming a NEW Lector, contact Albert Stumm at alstumm@yahoo.com or call (770) 608-9382.



"I am fearfully, wonderfully made"

The False Narrative About Abortion

Part 1 of a 3-Part Series



There was a common phrase regarding abortion used by a well-known elected official in the U.S. in the 1990's and used again during the 2008 U.S. Presidential Campaign. The phrase went like this, "Abortion should be safe, legal and rare." Let's take a closer look at this anti-life/pro-abortion meme and this week, examine the first part, and the word, "safe."

Was abortion safe then? Is it safe now? The short answer...not always. Many women experience both physical and psychological complications after an abortion. Physical complications can range from, but are not limited to, blood clots, internal lacerations, infection, sepsis, hemorrhage and damage to the bowels and bladder. In some cases, a 'legal' abortion has resulted in a woman's death. Emotional complications can range from, but are not limited to, depression, anxiety, and feelings of loss, grief, and heart-wrenching guilt after having a 'legal' abortion.

And how safe are abortions for babies? Aborted babies are dead babies; thus, babies ALWAYS have an UNSAFE and DEADLY experience with abortion. Unborn babies were and still are, NEVER safe from being chemically burned, suctioned, vacuumed, dismembered, and yanked out of their mother's womb for those who choose to abort. (Next week we will discuss part two of this meme and the word, "legal.")

Through Christ,

Carole Ann



Worldwide Marriage Encounter



Married Couples and Priests : "May the God of endurance and encouragement grant you to think in harmony with one another, in keeping with Christ Jesus." Strengthen, renew, and rekindle your marriage sacrament by attending the next Worldwide Marriage Encounter Experience on February 24-26 or April 14-16. You can also look for virtual experiences and get more information and apply online at wwme.org/apply or by calling 678-242-WWME.

Por Encuentro Matrimonio Mundial: wwme.org/?lang=es
 SVdP Parish WWME Contact: juliepoe777@gmail.com.

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.

