

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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Priest in Residence

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Deacon

Pray for the repose of
the soul of

Rev. Mr. Steve Bek
(1945 - 2017)

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November 27, 2022
First 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 November 26 <i>First Sunday of Advent</i>	4:00 p.m. + Thomas Halliburton, Sr. 6:00 p.m. Fr. Omar Loggiodice & Deacon José Perez	Isaiah 2: 1-5 Psalm 122: 1-9 Romans 13: 11-14 Matthew 24: 37-44
Sunday November 27 <i>First Sunday of Advent</i>	9:00 a.m. Parishioners (Living & Deceased) 12 noon + Anna Hafner	Isaiah 2: 1-5 Psalm 122: 1-9 Romans 13: 11-14 Matthew 24: 37-44
Monday November 28	12 noon + Matthew Maiher + Olive Maiher	Isaiah 4: 2-6 Psalm 122: 1-9 Matthew 8: 5-11
Tuesday November 29	12 noon The Hamilton Family	Isaiah 11: 1-10 Psalm 72: 1-2, 7-8, 12-13, 17 Luke 10: 21-24
Wednesday November 30 <i>Saint Andrew, Apostle</i>	12 noon. + Ellen Massago + Jerome Massago	Romans 10: 9-18 Psalm 19: 8-11 Matthew 4: 18-22
Thursday December 1		Isaiah 26: 1-6 Psalm 118: 1, 8-9, 19-21, 25-27a Matthew 7: 21, 24-27
Friday December 2		Isaiah 29: 17-24 Psalm 27: 1, 4, 13-14 Matthew 9: 27-31
Saturday December 3 <i>Saint Francis, Xavier, Priest</i>		Isaiah 30: 19-21, 23-26 Psalm 147: 1-6 Matthew 9:35—10: 1, 5a, 6-8

Readings for Sunday, December 4, 2022

Second Sunday of Advent

Isaiah 11: 1-10
Psalm 72: 1-2, 7-8, 12-13, 17
Romans 15: 4-9
Matthew 3: 1-12



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 Caulfield 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, Jennifer Gould, Tate Foran, Mary Joseph Carter, Thomas Halliburton, Sr., Anna Hafner, Matthew and Olive Maiher, Ellen Massago, Jerome Massago,

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 Loggiodyce, Fr. Selvaraj, Mr. and Mrs. Werner Pleus, Virginia Loggiodyce, 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, Ken Grimm and family, Stan Chisholm, Beau Palmer, Green family, Hodges family, Joey Fink, Desiree Fink, Dudley DeCastro, Frank Evans, Hyppolite Renous, Marissa Mahon, Jonathan Mahon, Carol McMahan, Teddia Renous, Antonio Sawyer,

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 on *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



Against this backdrop we can understand the decisive role played by the Holy Spirit in the eucharistic celebration, particularly with regard to transubstantiation. An awareness of this is clearly evident in the Fathers of the Church. Saint Cyril of Jerusalem, in his *Catecheses*, states that we "call upon God in his mercy to send his Holy Spirit upon the offerings before us, to transform the bread into the body of Christ and the wine into the blood of Christ. Whatever the Holy Spirit touches is sanctified and completely transformed."

**POST-SYNODAL APOSTOLIC EXHORTATION
SACRAMENTUM CARITATIS OF THE HOLY FATHER**



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 *Suffering to Rescue Souls*



MEDITATION:

My daughter, your struggle will last until death. Your last breath will mark its end. You shall conquer by meekness (*Diary*, 1597).

I have need of your sufferings to rescue souls (*Diary*, 1612).

MY PRAYER RESPONSE

Jesus, help me not to waste my sufferings, little or great, because You need my sufferings to rescue souls. Keep me meek before You as I suffer and pray for souls.

**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.

- Class will not take place November 30 due to the Thanksgiving Holiday.
- The topic for Session 12 on December 7 is *The Virgin Mary*.

Spanish Catechism/Bible Study for Adults

Sunday mornings during RE Class
Room 6
10:30 a.m.—11:45 a.m.

- Diciembre 4 - Tiempos Litúrgicos y sus colores
- Diciembre 11 - Adviento y Navidad



Journey To Bethlehem



On Friday December 2nd & Saturday December 3rd all parishioners are invited to attend the **8th Annual Journey To Bethlehem Live Nativity Production** to be held in the Prayer Garden, and **Mistletoe Market** located in Simpson Hall. This family event is open to parishioners, their families and our neighboring communities. Please spread the word to family, friends and coworkers. Hours are from 6-9 p.m. This moving reenactment of our Savior's Birth is just what is needed to help us remember the true meaning of Christmas.



Vendors Needed for Mistletoe Market



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For additional information please contact Terrie Fraga at t.fraga@comcast.net.



Gospel for Sunday November 27

Matthew 24:37-44



Jesus tells his disciples that the coming of the Son of Man will catch many people unprepared. Jesus tells his disciples that they are to always be ready for the day of the Lord.

Today is the first Sunday of Advent, which is also the first Sunday of a new liturgical year for the Church. Season includes the four Sundays that precede Christmas. It is a time of preparation for the coming of the Lord. In this season, we recall two central elements of our faith: the final coming of the Lord in glory and the incarnation of the Lord in the birth of Jesus. Key themes of the Advent season are watchful waiting, preparation, and justice.

In this new liturgical year, the Gospel of Matthew will be the primary Gospel proclaimed (Lectionary Cycle A). In today's Gospel, we hear Jesus speak about the need for wakefulness, for watchful waiting, for the coming of the Son of Man.

Matthew's Gospel is dated by most scholars after 70 A.D. Most believe that Matthew wrote for a primarily Jewish community, but one that was no longer centered on the Temple in Jerusalem. These were Jewish Christians trying to come to terms with their relationship to Judaism in a new situation: Judaism after the destruction of the Temple in Jerusalem. There may have been Christians who believed that the events of the world around them gave evidence of the imminent return of the Lord in glory.

The passage from Matthew we read today is rather straightforward. No one knows the precise time of the coming of the Lord in glory, so watchful waiting and vigilance are required. The passage speaks to the uselessness of looking for signs; there will be none. As a thief sneaks in during the night, so will the Lord's coming in glory be.

The question for us as members of the Christian community, then, is how do we prepare for this? Today's passage speaks more about the manner of waiting, rather than the details of the preparation. Jesus compares the vigilance required of Christians to the vigilance of a homeowner who knows the plans of the thief. If one knows that the thief's action is imminent, one remains watchful. As Christians, we know *that* our Lord is coming even if we cannot know the precise timing. Jesus calls us to be watchful and vigilant, like the homeowner. If we become lax in our Christian living, we may be caught unprepared.

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**Knights of
Columbus**

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.

If you would like to join today simply visit KofC.org/joinus and enter our council #12287. Use the code **"BLESSEDMCGIVNEY"** when prompted for free membership. For more information contact: Grand Knight, Ken Bishop – (770) 241-5226 or Membership Director, Randy Brown – (770) 401-7527.

Ministry Schedule - December 3-4, 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	Joe Adams	Doreen Jeanneret Kenneth Bishop	Ryan Trafton Bob Binns	<i>Volunteer needed</i> <i>Volunteer needed</i>
Saturday 6:00 PM	Hilda Fuentes			Vielka Jordan	Luz Gonzalez-Gomez Carlos Neyra	Nelida Morales Carolina Neyra Ortiz	Eliezer Morales <i>Volunteer needed</i>
Sunday 9:00 AM	Millie Reisinger		Yanira Koch	Therese Lawlor	Millie Reisinger Cathy Bigler	Randy Brown Dennis Mahon Bob Roesch	<i>Volunteer needed</i> <i>Volunteer needed</i>
Sunday 12 Noon	Millie Reisinger		Kerry Lambert	Al Stumm	Don Imbordino Michael Terrill	Jim Stormont Maggie Hernandez Juan Hernandez	<i>Volunteer needed</i> <i>Volunteer needed</i>

Religious Education at SVdP

Co-Directors of Religious Education:

Nancy Chisholm

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mware@svdpatl.com

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.



Here Today-The Discalced Carmelite Saints

Saint Elizabeth of the Trinity
1880-1906-- *Feast Day November 8th*



“You Do not be discouraged by the thought of your miseries: in times of greatest suffering, think that the Divine Sculptor is using the chisel to beautify His work, and remain at peace beneath the Hand which shapes you.”

-Letter to Madam A.-

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.



Rite for the Beginning of Advent at Home



First Sunday of Advent

The first day the wreath is in the home the leader may say:

As our nights grow longer and our days grow short, we look upon these earthly signs, light and green branches, and remember God's promise to our world: Christ, our Light and our Hope, will come. Listen to the words of Isaiah the prophet: "The people that walked in darkness have seen a great light; on those who lived in a land as dark as death a light has dawned. You have increased their joy and given them gladness. They rejoice in your presence as those who rejoice at harvest, as warriors exult when dividing spoil. (Is. 9: 1-2)

Then all pray:

O God, Rejoicing, We remember the promise of your Son. As the light from this candle, may the blessings of Christ come upon us, brightening our way and guiding us by his truth. May Christ our Savior bring life into the darkness of our world, and to us, as we wait for his coming. We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen.

The first candle is lit and all pray:

O Emmanuel, Jesus Christ, Desire of every nation, Savior of all peoples, Come and dwell among us.

Bulletin Announcements!

Send Bulletin announcements to Nancy Chisholm at bulletineditor@svdpatl.com by 9:00 a.m. on Sunday for publication the following weekend. Holiday Bulletin announcements **are due one week earlier.**

FIRST FRUITS OF OUR LABOR

November 12-13, 2022

Saturday	4:00 p.m.	\$ 1,485.00	Att -102
Saturday	6:00 p.m.	\$ 198.00	Att - 32
Sunday	9:00 a.m.	\$1,204.59	Att -175
Sunday	12:00 noon	\$ 2,191.00	Att -159
Mail-In		\$ 1,395.00	
Online		\$ 1,620.00	
Total Offertory		\$ 8,093.59	Att -468
2nd Collection Future Bldg. & Emergency Needs		\$ 2,451.40	

Thank you for your generosity!



*****As of 11/17/2022*****

St. Vincent de Paul's 2022 Parish Goal: \$ 34,800.00
Donations Received: \$ 40,862.09
Amount Over (Under) Goal: \$ 6,062.09

Current Number of Donors for 2022: 144
Number of 2021 Donors: 169
Percent of goal received: 117.42 %

Catholic Adult Faith Enrichment

Throughout the month of November we are reviewing
“*What We Believe, The Beauty of the Catholic Faith.*”

We are discussing:

- What Catholics truly believe
- What Catholics truly are and how we are called to live
- Blessings of creation, redemption, and the newness of life in the Holy Spirit
- The profound gifts of the sacraments
- How to be more Christ-like through prayer, conversion, and love - And more!

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



Worldwide Marriage Encounter

Married Couples and Priests: “Take time to thank God for the gift of your marriage by participating in a 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.



“I am fearfully, wonderfully made”

The Unborn

By Bishop Michael Pfeifer, OMI
July 2022— (Part 4)



As shepherds of our people in the USA, we are deeply disturbed that our president has chosen to use his power as the nation's chief executive to promote and facilitate and even codify abortion in our country, rather than offering resources for pregnant women in need.

Our president and his political supporters are seeking every possible avenue to deny unborn children the most basic human and civil life, the right to life. We pray and encourage our president and his supporters to increase support to care for mothers and babies rather than seeking to facilitate destruction of defenseless and voiceless human beings.

As we support the personhood of the unborn and born, we keep in mind the words of Justice Samuel Alito supported by Justice Clarence Thomas, “the constitution makes no reference to abortion, and no such right is implicitly protected by any constitutional provision”. The Dobbs decision returns the profoundly moral question to the states, giving them the authority to protect human life through a democratic process and the ability to empower pregnant women by providing them with the resources they need to flourish. It presents an opportunity for America to return to a culture of life that values families, women, and motherhood.

God created the human person in the divine image and likeness as the pinnacle of all creation. Each of us shares in the image of God's glory. Through Christ, God further revealed to us the dignity of all human life. Christ's sacrifice on the cross powerfully demonstrates God's desire for us to share in eternal life with him. The value of human life must be truly great for the son of God to make it the instrument of our salvation. Human life as a gift from God is sacred and inviolable. May we commit ourselves to Christ and his mother with urgent prayer, fasting, dialogue and pastoral action so that our country and every state will uphold the dignity of each unborn child. **THE UNBORN ARE COUNTING ON US.**

Bishop Michael Pfeifer, O.M.I.

Bishop Emeritus of the Diocese of San Angelo, Texas

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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.

