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February 2, 2025
The Presentation of the Lord



Holy Mass—Baptism—Marriage

<u>Saturday:</u> 4:00 p.m. <u>Sunday:</u> 9:00 a.m., 12 noon, 3:00 p.m. (En Español) <u>Weekday Holy Masses:</u> 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, the website, or call for current information.

<u>Baptism:</u> 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. There are requirements for 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 on Saturdays at 11:00 a.m. or 12 noon.

Date	Holy Mass Intentions	Readings
Saturday February 1 <i>The Presentation of the Lord</i>	4:00 p.m. + James McGraw	Malachi 3: 1-4 Psalm 24: 7-10 Hebrews 2: 14-18 Luke 2: 22-40
Sunday February 2 <i>The Presentation of the Lord</i>	9:00 a.m. Parishioners (Living & Deceased) 12 noon + John Glynn 3:00 p.m. + Maria Guadalupe Hernandez	Malachi 3: 1-4 Psalm 24: 7-10 Hebrews 2: 14-18 Luke 2: 22-40
Monday February 3 Saint Blaise, Bishop, Martyr; Saint Ansgar, Bishop	12 noon William and Brian Hew	Hebrews 11: 32-40 Psalm 31: 20-24 Mark 5: 1-20
Tuesday February 4	12 noon + Gerard Skubina	Hebrews 12: 1-4 Psalm 22: 26b-28, 30-32 Mark 5: 21-43
Wednesday February 5 Saint Agatha, Virgin, Martyr	6:15 p.m. In Thanksgiving by Dennis and Marissa Mahon and Family	Hebrews 12: 4-7, 11-15 Psalm 103: 1-2, 13-14, 17-18a Mark 6: 1-6
Thursday February 6 Saint Paul Miki and Companions, Martyrs		Hebrews 12: 18-19, 21-24 Psalm 48: 2-4, 9-11 Mark 6: 7-13
Friday February 7		Hebrews 13: 1-8 Psalm 27: 1, 3, 5, 8b-9c Mark 6: 14-29
Saturday February 8 Saint Jerome Emiliani; Saint Josephine Bakhita		Hebrews 13: 15-17, 20-21 Psalm 23: 1-6 Mark 6: 30-34

Sunday, February 9

Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time
Isaiah 6: 1-2a, 3-8
Psalm 138: 1-5, 7-8
1 Corinthians 15: 1-11
Luke 5: 1-11

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.



Flowers for The Altar

Flowers for the Altar were donated in memory of Marguerite Hommick Jandreau.



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' FEBRUARY PRAYER INTENTION - FOR VOCATIONS TO THE PRIESTHOOD AND RELIGIOUS LIFE

Let us pray that the ecclesial community might welcome the desires and doubts of those young people who feel a call to serve Christ's mission in the priesthood and religious life.





For all our Dearly Beloved **Departed**



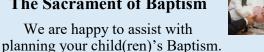
The names of those who have recently passed from this life to the next will remain on the bulletin necrology for nine weeks. They will then be transferred to the permanent parish necrology, also known as the Book of the Dead. Mass Intentions for loved ones after this time will be printed the week that the Holy Mass is scheduled.

Lord Jesus, remember especially in loving mercy:

Errol Trafton, Stan Hartdegen, Edward Lowe, Delfina Solis, Shelvy Jean Barnes, Jim Strickland, Gene Richard Rush, Orlando David, Sandra Krzyzanski, Steve Schlisselt, James McGraw, John Glynn, Maria Guadalupe Hernandez, Gerard Skubina,

and all those who have gone before us.

The Sacrament of Baptism



Parents and Godparents are required to attend an online Baptism preparation class.

Email **kvondebur@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.
- Paperwork 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.

Inclement Weather

In case of inclement weather, please check our website for any adjustments to the Mass schedule, or call the church. Any changes made will always be in the interest of the safety of our parishioners.

IN YOUR PRAYERS



To request prayers for yourself, or for loved ones who are sick, or who

have special intentions, please print the name(s) clearly in the Book of Petitions, which is 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 Pleus, Fr. Omar Loggiodice, Fr. Selvaraj, Mrs. Werner Pleus, Virginia Loggiodice, Olga S. Torres, Rita Bek, Joni Pfaff, Sister Mary Treasure of Innocence, Marylou Bishop and family, Rochelle and Louis Focaracci and family, Joanne Pastor and family,

Lucy and Marty Nicholson and family, Walt Reisinger, Bryan Family, Green Family, Beav Palmer, Camie Pew, Janeth McLean, Christian Hernandez, Lachney families, de Blanc families, Trump families, Lance families, Lolita Geraldine McKimmins, Wallen family, Dennis Culbertson, Ryan Shaddy, Brennan families, Caroline Clark, Hyppolite F. Renous and family, Kathy Jo Walton,

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.

From St. Faustina's Diary

Our Duty Meditation

December 16, [1936]. I have offered this day for Russia. ... After Holy Communion, Jesus said to me, I cannot suffer that country any longer. Do not tie my hands, My daughter. I understood that if it had not been for the prayers of souls that are pleasing to God, that whole nation would have already been reduced to nothingness (Diary, 818).

When once I asked the Lord Jesus how He could tolerate so many sins and crimes and not punish them, the Lord answered me, I have eternity for punishing [these], and so I am prolonging the time of mercy for the sake of [sinners]. But woe to them if they do not recognize this time of My visitation. My daughter, secretary of My mercy, your duty is not only to write about and proclaim My mercy, but also to beg for this grace for them, so that they too may glorify My mercy (Diary, 1160).

My Prayer Response With St. Faustina

Lord Jesus, thank You for instructing St. Faustina not only to write about Your mercy toward sinners but also to beg for mercy for them.

The words of Jesus appear in boldface type.



FIRST FRUITS OF OUR LABOR

January 18-19, 2024



Saturday	4:00 p.m.	\$ 2,013.00	153
Sunday	9:00 a.m.	\$ 1,513.00	295
Sunday	12:00 noon	\$ 1,162.15	282
Sunday	3:00 p.m.	\$ 295.85	51
Mail-In		\$ 1,098.00	
Offertory Online		\$ 1,962.04	
Total Offertory		\$ 8,044.04	781
2nd Collection Pro-Life Fund		\$ 1,412.32	

Thank you for your generosity!



NEW YEAR, NEW YOU!

Are you struggling with your past and overwhelmed with emotions such as shame, guilt, sadness, loss, depression, anger. PATH (Post Abortion Treatment & Healing) offers help and healing to women and men wounded by abortion. We are hosting our next Rachel's Vineyard Retreat February 21-23, 2025. There you will find compassionate, confidential support to begin your healing journey.

For more information about the retreat or our other healing offerings, or to register, please call 404.717.5557.

Visit our website at healingafterabortion.org

Retrouvaille

Retrouvaille is a volunteer peer ministry that provides the means for married couples to work through and overcome the troubles they are facing in their marriage relationship.

Due to the recent winter storm, the January Atlanta Retrouvaille marriage retreat has been rescheduled to Feb. 7th. For more information and registration, go to the

website: <u>helpourmarriage.org</u> or call Rubina at (404) 234-6006.

Gospel Reading Sunday, February 2, 2025

Luke 2:22–40

Simeon recognizes the infant Jesus as the promised Messiah.

Today the Church celebrates the Feast of the Presentation of Jesus in the temple. The Presentation, which is celebrated 40 days after Christmas, is not mentioned in the other Gospels. Only Luke tells the story, most likely because he writes for Gentile Christians who are not familiar with the Jewish rite of presentation and purification. In addition, the intent of Luke's Gospel is to show that God's promise to Israel, fulfilled in Jesus, extends to Gentiles. Luke recognizes Joseph and Mary as faithful Jews who bring Jesus to the Temple in Jerusalem. Here they present their firstborn son to the Lord. Jesus is thus consecrated as required by the Law of Moses. Present in the temple at this time are Simeon and Anna. Both are awaiting the restoration of God's rule in Israel.

Simeon had been promised by the Holy Spirit that he would see Christ the Lord, the Messiah, before he died. The holy man immediately recognized the infant Jesus as the promised Savior, a "light for revelation to the Gentiles, and glory for your people Israel." Anna also recognized Jesus as the fulfillment of the promise of redemption and spoke about him to all.

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Here Today The Discalced Carmelite Saints Saint Teresa Benedicta of the Cross 1891 - 1942-- Feast Day Aug 9th

"The soul of a child is soft and impressionable. Whatever influence enters there can easily form it for a lifetime. When the facts of salvation history are introduced in early childhood and in an appropriate form, this may easily lay a foundation for a saintly

Edith Stein, The Science of the Cross

Couples Celebrating 50th and 60th Anniversaries in 2025

The Archdiocese of Atlanta would like to honor couples married in 1965 and 1975 with a invitation to a Golden/Diamond Wedding Anniversary Mass on Saturday, February 8, 2025, at noon at St. Brigid Catholic Church. A reception will follow the Mass for the anniversary couples and their families. Please go to http://tiny.cc/anniversarymass to RSVP for this event and for additional information.

Mínistry Schedule: February 8-9, 2025

	Set-Up	Deacon/ Livestream	Lector	Eucharistic Minister/ EMOHC/special positions	Guardian	Usher	Servers (Senior Server, Candle Bearer/ Paten, etc.)
Saturday 4:00 PM	Millie Reisinger	<u>Deacon</u> Jimmy Williams	Carolyn Attaway	Deacon Jimmy Williams	Deb Heinrich Regina Harding	Skip Heinrich Volunteer Needed	Volunteer Needed Volunteer Needed Volunteer Needed
Sunday 9:00 AM	Millie Reisinger	<u>Livestream</u> Clyde Kiess	Jeanie Blowers	Brian Blowers	Millie Reisinger Monica Williams	Cliff Grimm Bill Hew David Fenner	Christopher Holland Zachary Holland Nicholas Condoluci
Sunday 12 Noon	Millie Reisinger		Maria Stormont	Mary Marks	Bob Babecka Kerry Lambert	Don Imbordino Jim Stormont Volunteer Needed	Donald Gettemy Vincent Gettemy
Sunday 3:00 PM	Carmen Perez	<u>Deacon</u> Jose Perez	Maria Theresa Da Cruz	Asistente 1 Luis Garcia Asistente 2 Juan Guardado	Maria Guardado Vielka Jordan	Nelida Morales Eliezer Morales	Crucifero Sergio Neyra Cirial 1 Gerardo Neyra Cirial 2 Manuel Hernandez

The Way for Women

This is a three-day retreat for adult female survivors of abuse offered by the Archdiocese of Atlanta's Victim Assistance Program. It will take place from February 14-16, 2025, at Carmel Retreat Center in Hoschton, Ga. Registration deadline is February 7, 2025.

Contact Sue Stubbs at (404) 920-7554 or sstubbs@archatl.com for more information.

Lost and Found



We have a number of items in the Lost and Found collection, which is located in the Mail Room. If you think you may

have left an item at the Church, please check to see if it is in the Lost and Found. The items will be donated if they are not claimed.

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.

THE ST. VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY

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Our sincere gratitude to our parishioners and local residents for your time, financial donations, food donations, merchandise donations, and thrift store purchases, we are helping many 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.

We are in need of volunteers at the St. Vincent de Paul Society and at the St. Vincent de Paul Thrift Store.

If you are interested in either or both of these opportunities, please call or stop by during store hours.

Thrift Store Hours are:

M-F 10:00 A.M.-5:00 P.M. SAT 10:00 A.M.-4:00 P.M. *December 2024 Assistance Provided*

# of Families	46
# of Individuals	115
Transportation	\$3,221.53
Utilities	\$7,457.36
Food	\$4,332.35

Pro-Life Answers to False Pro-Choice Arguments (Part V)

"How can you make a fetus more important than a grown woman?"

Abortion is a human rights issue, but politically speaking, it does involve competing rights. On the one hand, you have the mother's "right" not to be pregnant. On the other hand, you have the baby's right not to be killed. The question that must therefore be answered is which right is more fundamental?

Abortion advocates argue that outlawing abortion would, in essence, elevate the rights of the unborn over and above those of the mother. However, in reality, outlawing abortion would not be giving unborn children more rights; it would simply re-establish for them the most fundamental right that no one can live without, namely the right to life.

If a baby is not to be aborted, then the pregnant mother must remain pregnant. This will also require of her sickness, fatigue, reduced mobility, an enlarged body and some new clothes. Fortunately, it is not a permanent condition. On the flip side, for a pregnant woman not to be pregnant, her child must be killed (unless she is past 22 weeks of pregnancy, in which case the baby may well survive outside the womb). Abortion costs the unborn child his or her very life and it is a thoroughly permanent condition. That is what's at stake, both for the child and for the mother. It is not an issue of who is more important, but rather who has more on the line.

Any time there are competing rights, the government must protect the more fundamental right. For example, the law requires the driver of a car to slow down and stop so a pedestrian may cross the road in front of him. This is not because the pedestrian is more valuable or important than the driver, but rather because, if the driver does not stop, it might cost the pedestrian his life.

Obviously, for a woman to remain pregnant, she gives up far more than a few minutes of drive time, but she gives up far less than her baby who would otherwise be killed. This is what it comes down to. Since the child has far more at stake, the more fundamental right to life must be upheld.

Pro-Life Articles

Notice of Mass Change

On Wednesday, February 5, Holy Mass will be celebrated at SVdP at 10:30 a.m. It will not be celebrated at 6:15 p.m.

Religious Education at SVdP

Directors of Religious Education:

Nancy Chisholm nchisholm@svdpatl.com

Mary Ware mware@svdpatl.com

Our webpage address is: www.saintvincentdepaulchurch.org.

Thank you for your generosity toward the homeless and others in need.

Please place your donations in Room 8.

- Parents of students in First Holy Communion classes—Please submit copies of your child's Birth Certificate and Baptism Certificate, if you have not already done so. If your child was baptized at SVdP, we already have the Baptism record, but not the Birth Certificate.
- A Confirmation II Retreat will take place from 1:00—5:00 p.m. on Saturday, February 8. All students who are to be confirmed are expected to attend with a parent or sponsor.

CATHOLIC ADULT FAITH ENRICHMENT

Join us Sundays, during Religious Education Classes, in St. Gerard Hall, from 10:30 a.m. – 11:45 a.m. for CAFE, (Catholic Adult Faith Enrichment) which includes Catholic news, our Faith, and a refreshment. Here is a list of the topics for discussion in the upcoming weeks:

Defending Our Faith...

- February 9 St. Thomas Aquinas
- February 23—A Vast Company of Witnesses

RCIA - Room B in the OLG RE Building

Feb. 9 - The Ten Commandments and the Precepts of the Church

Feb. 23 - Matrimony and God's Plan for Sexuality

Join The RCIA Prayer Team

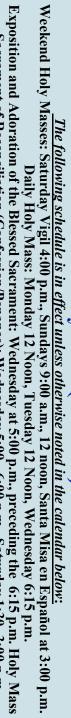
The RCIA team is interested in prayer support for the candidates and catechumens in our program this year. If you are interested in joining the RCIA prayer team please contact Bob Babecka:

The Jubilee Year of 2025

A jubilee year, also known as a "holy year," is a special year in the life of the church currently celebrated every 25 years. The most recent ordinary jubilee was in 2000, with Pope Francis calling for an Extraordinary Jubilee Year of Mercy in 2015-2016. Jubilee years have been held on regular intervals in the Catholic church since 1300, but they trace their roots to the Jewish tradition of marking a jubilee year every 50 years.



February 2025 (Revised)





Sacrament of Reconciliation (Confession/Penance): Wednesday 5:00 - 6:00 p.m., Saturday 1:30 -3:00 p.m.

	28 Charismatic Prayer Group SGH 7:30 p.m	27	26 Choir Practice 7:30-9:00 p.m.	25 Cenacle Following 12 noon Holy Mass	24	23 2nd Collection: Future Building and Emergency Needs Fund Cenacle in Spanish at 1:45 p.m. RE-RCIA
22 Honor Guard Practice 9:00-10:30 a.m.	21 Charismatic Prayer Group SGH 7:30 p.m.	20	19 Choir Practice 7:30-9:00 p.m.	18 Cenacle Following 12 noon Holy Mass	Office Closed No Holy Mass WARG Meeting Social 6:30 p.m. Rosary 7:00 p.m. Meeting 7:30 p.m.	16 No 2nd Collection: Cenacle in Spanish at 1:45 p.m. No RE– No RCIA
15	14 Charismatic Prayer Group SGH 7:30 p.m.	13	12 Choir Practice 7:30-9:00 p.m.	11 Cenacle Following 12 noon Holy Mass	10 Knights of Columbus Rosary 6:30 p.m. Dinner 7:00 p.m. Meeting 7:30 p.m. Finance Council Refreshments - 6:00 p.m. Meeting - 6:30 p.m.	9 2nd Collection: Black and Indian Missions 25th Anniversary Reception for Deacon Jose –1:30 p.m. Cenacle in Spanish at 1:45 p.m. RE–RCIA
8 Confirmation II Retreat 1:00 -5:00 p.m.	7 Charismatic Prayer Group SGH 7:30 p.m.	6	5 10:30 a.m. Holy Mass Choir Practice 7:30-9:00 p.m.	4 Cenacle Following 12 noon Holy Mass	ა	2 2nd Collection: Capital Improvements Adoration following 9:00 a.m. Holy Mass Cenacle in Spanish at 1:45 p.m. RE-RCIA
1 First Saturday Devotion 1:00 p.m.						
Saturday	Friday	Thursday	Wednesday	Tuesday	Monday	Sunday



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