



ST. VINCENT DE PAUL CATHOLIC CHURCH

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Office Hours: Monday-Thursday (8:30 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.)
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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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February 23, 2025
*Seventh Sunday in Ordinary
Time*

“Do to
others
as you
would
have
them do
to you.”



Holy Mass—Baptism—Marriage

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, 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. 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 22 <i>Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time</i>	4:00 p.m. + Duane Francis Chamberlain	1 Samuel 26: 2, 7-9, 12-13, 22-23 Psalm 103: 1-4, 8, 10, 12-13 1 Corinthians 15: 45-49 Luke 6: 27-38
Sunday February 23 <i>Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time</i>	9:00 a.m. Parishioners (Living & Deceased) 12 noon Don Brown 3:00 p.m. Fritz Ortiz, and Carmen De La Torre	1 Samuel 26: 2, 7-9, 12-13, 22-23 Psalm 103: 1-4, 8, 10, 12-13 1 Corinthians 15: 45-49 Luke 6: 27-38
Monday February 24	12 noon Debbie Chisholm	Sirach 1: 1-10 Psalm 93: 1-2, 5 Mark 9: 14-29
Tuesday February 25	12 noon + Joyce Odum	Sirach 2: 1-11 Psalm 37: 3-4, 18-19, 27-28, 39-40 Mark 9: 30-37
Wednesday February 26	6:15 p.m. In Thanksgiving by the Samba Family	Sirach 4: 11-19 Psalm 119: 165, 168, 171-172, 174-175 Mark 9: 38-40
Thursday February 27 <i>Saint Gregory of Narek, Abbot, Doctor of the Church</i>		Sirach 5: 1-8 Psalm 1: 1-4, 6 Mark 9: 41-50
Friday February 28		Sirach 6: 5-17 Psalm 119: 12, 16, 18, 27, 34-35 Mark 10: 1-12
Saturday March 1		Sirach 17: 1-15 Psalm 103: 13-18 Mark 10: 13-16

Sunday, March 2
Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time
 Sirach 27: 4-7
 Psalm 92: 2-3, 13-16
 1 Corinthians 15: 54-58
 Luke 6: 39-45

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 honor of
 Fritz Ortiz & Carmen De La Torre*



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' MARCH PRAYER INTENTION

FOR FAMILIES IN CRISIS



Let us pray that broken families might discover the cure for their wounds through forgiveness, rediscovering each other's gifts, even in their differences.





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:

Jim Strickland, Gene Richard Rush, Orlando David, Sandra Krzyzanski, Duane Francis Chamberlin, Joyce Odum,

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 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.

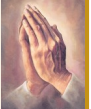
Congratulations to our February Honorees:

Knight of the Month - John Ngh

Family of the Month - Skip and Debbie Heinrich



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, Sharon Brookmayer, Linda Simpson, Karen and David Howse and family, Eliza Howse, Jorge Bucio, Lila Campos, Claudette Renous and family, Pierre Pierre-Luis, Hyppolite F. Renous and family, Michele Reisinger,

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 *Do Nothing Out of Self Will Meditation*



The greatest works are worthless in My eyes if they are done out of self-will, and often they are not in accord with My will and merit punishment rather than reward. And on the other hand, even the smallest of your acts, done with the confessor's permission is pleasing in My eyes and very dear to Me. Hold firmly to this always. Be constantly on the watch, for many souls will turn back from the gates of hell and worship My mercy. **But fear nothing, as I am with you. Know that of yourself you can do nothing (Diary, 639).**

My Prayer Response With St. Faustina

Lord Jesus, keep me on the watch for sacrifices to offer to You for the salvation of souls. I surrender my will to You. For without You, I can do nothing of value. To help me in taking up this charge, give me a good confessor to guide me.

The words of Jesus appear in boldface type .

A basket is in the narthex to collect blessed palms that were received last year on Palm Sunday. Please make every effort to return them so that they may be reverently burned or buried.



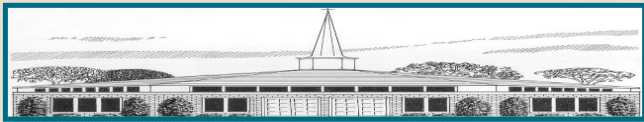
FIRST FRUITS OF OUR LABOR

February 8-9, 2025



Saturday	4:00 p.m.	\$ 1,528.00	129
Sunday	9:00 a.m.	\$ 1,234.00	262
Sunday	12:00 noon	\$ 1,061.25	269
Sunday	3:00 p.m.	\$ 165.00	61
Mail-In		\$ 1,845.00	
Offertory Online		\$ 1,857.06	
Total Offertory		\$ 7,690.31	721
2nd Collection: Black & Indian Missions		\$ 1,102.25	

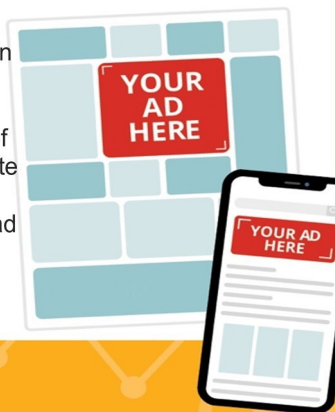
Thank you for your generosity!



AVAILABLE NOW! PRINT & DIGITAL AD SPACES

Build your business and help us grow a vibrant faith community!

Bob Cusick from LPi, our bulletin printer, will be securing new ads for our church in the coming weeks. As a valuable member of the business community, we invite you to expand your reach and grow your business with a print ad in our parish bulletin and/or a digital ad featured on ParishesOnline.com.



Bob Cusick
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We Need Your Help

SVdP Parish is seeking additional volunteers to maintain the church lawn, excluding the Prayer Garden. The Prayer Garden is maintained by the Knights of Columbus.

During warm weather, the property is mowed weekly. Volunteers will be on a rotating schedule, and normally will each mow the lawn once a month. Please notify Al Stumm or the parish office if you would like to volunteer.

Gospel Reading

Sunday, February 23, 2025—*Luke 6:27-38*

Jesus teaches his disciples to be merciful as God is merciful.

Today's gospel reading is a continuation of the teaching that began in last Sunday's gospel. We continue to hear Jesus' Sermon on the Plain. Recall that in Luke's Gospel, this teaching is addressed to Jesus' disciples. This is in contrast to the parallel found in Matthew's Gospel, the Sermon on the Mount, in which Jesus' words are addressed to both the disciples and to the crowds.

These words from Jesus' teaching are familiar to us. They constitute the crux and the challenge of what it means to be a disciple: Love your enemies, turn the other cheek, give to those who ask, do unto others, lend without expecting repayment, judge not lest you be judged.

There are several similarities between Luke's and Matthew's report of Jesus' great teaching. Both begin with the Beatitudes. Matthew includes nearly all the content that Luke does; the Sermon on the Mount in Matthew's Gospel is longer than Luke's Sermon on the Plain. There are, however, differences in language and nuance. For example, Matthew presents this portion of the teaching as a contrast between Jesus' teaching and the teachings of the law and the prophets. This is in keeping with Matthew's concern to address his predominantly Jewish audience. It is likely that Luke omits this contrast because it was unnecessary for the Gentile believers for whom Luke is writing.

Another point of contrast between Matthew and Luke's presentation is the terminology. In Luke, Jesus contrasts the behavior of his followers with the behavior of "sinners." In Matthew, Jesus contrasts the behavior desired with the behavior of tax collectors and Gentiles. Matthew concludes the teaching about love of enemies with the admonition to be perfect as God is perfect; Luke concludes by emphasizing God's mercy.

In both Gospels, Jesus' words challenge those who would follow him to be more like God. God loves us beyond our expectations, beyond anything we can possibly imagine. In response to God's love, we are to love as God loves, beyond expectations and with a depth beyond imagining.

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Fertility Care/Natural Family Planning:

This isn't your parent's old rhythm method! Learn more about your fertility, why the Church promotes Natural Family Planning (NFP), why NFP is 99% effective, and how it can positively impact your marriage (3% divorce rate!) My next Introductory Class is on **Wednesday, March 12, 2025, at 7:00 p.m.** via Zoom.

To register or for more information on future classes, contact Ann Hall at 404-915-1685 or annlabar@hotmail.com.

Ministry Schedule: March 1-2, 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		Joe Adams	Carmen Amodio	Tristan Kilgore Mary Marks	Ryan Trafton <i>Volunteer Needed</i>	Ian Wilkins <i>Volunteer Needed</i> <i>Volunteer Needed</i>
Sunday 9:00 AM	Millie Reisinger	<u>Livestream</u> Dave Krut	Diane Long	Juan Molina	Yanira Koch Mike Williams	Dennis Mahon Randy Brown David Fenner	Obinwanne Obialo Chiji Obialo Aidan Grisham
Sunday 12 Noon	Millie Reisinger		Pat Brunner	Kerry Lambert	Rick Brunner John Ngeh	Juan Hernandez Don Imbordino Jim Stormont	Donald Gettemy Vincent Gettemy
Sunday 3:00 PM	Yuridia Garcia		Vielka Jordan	<i>Asistente 1</i> Eliezer Morales <i>Asistente 2</i> Marco Castro	Maria Teresa Da Cruz Maria Sandoval	Alicia Vento Adolfo Fuentes	<i>Crucifero</i> Inmar D. Romero <i>Cirial 1</i> Darwin Monterroso <i>Cirial 2</i> Victor Monterroso



2025 Archbishop's Annual Appeal

Serving more than one million Catholics, the mission of the Archdiocese of Atlanta is to proclaim the Gospel of the Lord and grow all of north and central Georgia in faith, hope, love and service to others. Your gift and participation in the 2025 Archbishop's Annual Appeal helps make it possible by supporting the ministerial, outreach, education, formation and discipleship work of the Archdiocese of Atlanta.

To donate online: lifeofthechurch.com/donate

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

Stand before the Lord who hangs from the cross with his heart torn open. He poured out the blood of his heart in order to win your heart. In order to follow him in holy chastity, your heart must be free from every earthly aspiration. Jesus Crucified must be the object of your every longing, of your every desire, of your every thought.

Edith Stein, *The Science of the Cross*

THE ST. VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY

770-443-1533

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.-600 P.M. SAT 10:00 A.M.-4:00 P.M.

January 2025 Assistance Provided

# of Families	46
# of Individuals	117
Transportation	\$725.88
Utilities	\$ 12,270.63
Food	\$ 1,488.15
Clothing/Household/ etc.	\$997.05



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

"Women cannot be free unless they have the right to control their own reproductive lives".



There are still many pro-choice advocates who believe that a woman's right to abortion is part of an ongoing feminist struggle for equality and freedom and any restriction on abortion is threatening to women.

This sad and regressive mindset is epitomized by Justice Ruth Bader Ginsburg. When the Supreme Court recently upheld the ban on the gruesome partial birth abortion procedure, Justice Ginsburg wrote quite an astonishing dissenting opinion.

According to Ginsburg, the right to life of the unborn baby is completely ignored and subordinated to the interest of women having complete autonomy over their "reproductive decisions". In her view, if women do not have this autonomy, they are relegated to "when women were regarded as the center of home and family life with attendant special responsibilities that precluded full and independent legal status under the Constitution." In other words, a woman's right to abort her baby in the womb is central to her life and essential to her being a complete woman.

It is indeed hard to understand the depraved concept that a woman cannot be a real woman unless she has complete autonomy to direct a doctor to abort her own baby, even in the case of a partial birth abortion, when that baby is partially delivered for the purpose of killing it.

The truth of course is that abortion is not about controlling reproduction. When a woman is pregnant, it is a biological reality that reproduction has already taken place. Abortion is about taking the life of the child that has been produced and is alive.

What kind of perverted mind sees the right to abort one's own offspring as a symbol of freedom? As pro-life feminist Frederica Mathewes-Green once wrote, women have abortions for the same reason an animal will gnaw off its own leg to get out of a trap. She pointed out that abortion is not a sign that women are free, but proof that they are desperate.

"...women will never climb to equality over the dead bodies of their children..."

Melissa Simmons-Tulin, Pro-life Feminist.

RCIA - Room B in the OLG RE Building

**March 2 - Rite of Sending (12 noon Holy Mass)
Confession and Anointing of the Sick**

March 9- Prayer and Spirituality

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:

Bob@ymiCatholic.com Cell# (678) 939-3568

Congratulations!

SVdP WARG Woman of the Year Deb Heinrich

Deb is the current Vice President for the WARG, and was past Corresponding Secretary. She serves as an Extraordinary Minister of Holy Communion, Lector and Eucharistic Guardian. She volunteers at all WARG events at SVdP. Deb is an active member and Treasurer for the Dallas Chapter of the DAR, (Daughters of the American Revolution) a community service organization, which promotes Historic Preservation, Education and Patriotism. She is also a member of the Dallas Woman's Club (a civic organization) and the Paulding Fine Arts Association. She lives in Dallas with her husband Skip, is an avid potter, and enjoys many different crafts.

SVdP Youth of the Year Phylis Nnorom

Phylis is being recognized for her eagerness to help where needed, especially in our religious education program activities. During the last four years, she and her siblings have comprised the entire drama team for Vacation Bible School. She has helped with our homeless drive, Journey to Bethlehem, and volunteered at the St. Vincent de Paul Thrift Store. Recently, she served as a small group leader during our Fall Confirmation Retreat. Phylis attends Paulding High School where she excels in math and in all academics and hopes to become a psychologist in the future. She takes an active interest in learning her faith and greets all with a smile. Rarely does one see in a young person her level of enthusiasm for serving others.

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...

- **March 2—St. Catherine of Siena**
- **March 9—The Fire of His Love**

Holy Masses for Ash Wednesday will be celebrated at 12 noon and 6:15 p.m. on March 5th.



March 2025 (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 1:30 -3:00 p.m.

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<p>2</p> <p>2nd Collection: Capital Improvements AAA Commitment Sunday Adoration following 9:00 a.m. Holy Mass Rite of Sending at 12 noon Holy Mass Cenacle in Spanish at 1:45 p.m. RE-RCIA</p>	<p>3</p> <p>Cenacle Following 12 noon Holy Mass</p>	<p>4</p> <p>Cenacle Following 12 noon Holy Mass</p>	<p>5</p> <p>Ash Wednesday Holy Masses 12 noon and 6:15 p.m. Choir Practice 7:30-9:00 p.m.</p>	<p>6</p>	<p>7</p> <p>Stations of the Cross 6:30 Lenten Dinner 7:00 Charismatic Prayer Group SGH 7:30 p.m</p>	<p>8</p> <p>First Holy Communion Retreat 1:00 -5:00 p.m.</p>
<p>9</p> <p>No 2nd Collection Cenacle in Spanish at 1:45 p.m. RE-RCIA</p>	<p>10</p> <p>Knights of Columbus Rosary 6:30 p.m. Dinner 7:00 p.m. Meeting 7:30 p.m.</p>	<p>11</p> <p>Cenacle Following 12 noon Holy Mass</p>	<p>12</p> <p>Holy Mass at 12 noon Adoration and Confessions to follow Choir Practice 7:30-9:00 p.m.</p>	<p>13</p>	<p>14</p> <p>Stations of the Cross 6:30 Lenten Dinner 7:00 Charismatic Prayer Group SGH 7:30 p.m</p>	<p>15</p> <p>St. Joseph Altar</p>
<p>16</p> <p>2nd Collection: Future Building and Emergency Needs Fund St. Joseph Altar Cenacle in Spanish at 1:45 p.m. RE-RCIA</p>	<p>17</p> <p>WARG Meeting Social 6:30 p.m. Rosary 7:00 p.m. Meeting 7:30 p.m.</p>	<p>18</p> <p>Cenacle Following 12 noon Holy Mass</p>	<p>19</p> <p>Holy Mass at 12 noon Adoration and Confessions to follow Choir Practice 7:30-9:00 p.m.</p>	<p>20</p>	<p>21</p> <p>Stations of the Cross 6:30 Lenten Dinner 7:00 Charismatic Prayer Group SGH 7:30 p.m</p>	<p>22</p> <p>WARG Morning of Reflection</p>
<p>23</p> <p>No 2nd Collection Blood Drive Cenacle in Spanish at 1:45 p.m. RE-RCIA</p>	<p>24</p>	<p>25</p> <p>Cenacle Following 12 noon Holy Mass</p>	<p>26</p> <p>Holy Mass at 12 noon Adoration and Confessions to follow Choir Practice 7:30-9:00 p.m.</p>	<p>27</p>	<p>28</p> <p>Stations of the Cross 6:30 Lenten Dinner 7:00 Charismatic Prayer Group SGH 7:30 p.m</p>	<p>29</p> <p>First Reconciliation 11:00 a.m.</p>
<p>30</p> <p>No 2nd Collection Cenacle in Spanish at 1:45 p.m. RE-RCIA</p>	<p>31</p>					