

**The Roman Catholic Parish
of St. Vincent de Paul**
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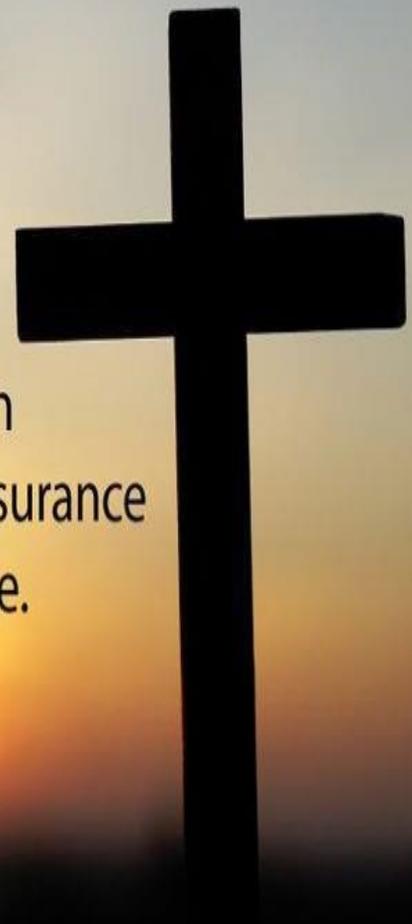
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Faith



Now faith is confidence in
what we hope for and assurance
about what we do not see.

- Hebrews 11:1

Sunday Mass Schedule

(Vigil Mass)
Saturday — 5 PM

Sunday
8:30 and 10:30AM

Confession—Saturday at 4 PM
at other times by appointment.

Weekday Mass Schedule

8:30 AM Monday - Saturday

“It would be easier for the world
to survive without the sun than to
do so without the Holy Mass.”
St. Padre Pio

SUNDAY COLLECTION REPORT

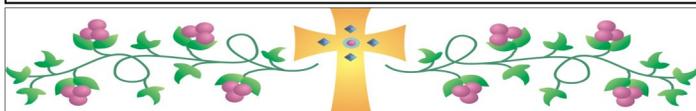
The weekend of July 30th and July 31st

Total amount in envelopes:	\$6,463
Loose:	\$1,618
Online Parish Pay:	\$2,498

Total offered: \$10,579

Parish Debt Reduction \$2,101

Thank you to those who support the mission of the parish and the sacrifices you make in doing so. Your generosity allows the services offered through the parish to continue, while the day to day costs of operating the parish are covered. May God bless your generosity and reward your faithfulness.



Daily Mass Readings

Monday

Ez 1:2-5, 24-28c; Mt 17:22-27

Tuesday

Ez 2:8-3:4; Mt 18:1-5, 10, 12-14

Wednesday

2 Cor 9:6-10; Jn 12:24-26

Thursday

Ez 12:1-12; Mt 18:21-19:1

Friday

Ez 16:1-15, 60, 63 or 16:59-63; Mt 19:3-12

Saturday

Ez 18:1-10, 13b, 30-32; Mt 19:13-15

The parish office will be closed on Friday in August. Summer office hours are Monday through Thursday 9:00 AM to 4:30 PM.

Thank you and enjoy your Summer.

MASS INTENTIONS

MONDAY

August 8th

Saint Dominic, Priest

8:30 AM Protection of Babies in the Womb

Anthony LaRezza
David "Duke" Dorsi

TUESDAY

August 9th

Saint Teresa Benedicta of the Cross, Virgin and Martyr

8:30 AM

John Calabro *(Living)*
Holy Souls in Purgatory
Frank Salvo

WEDNESDAY

August 10th

Saint Lawrence, Deacon and Martyr

8:30 AM

Carmen Rapuano
Nancy Burne
Angelo Yannotta

THURSDAY

August 11th

Saint Clare, Virgin

8:30 AM

Mary C. Bigelis *(Living)*
Brian Meade
Frank L. Bigelis

FRIDAY

August 12th

Saint Jane Frances de Chantal, Religious

8:30 AM

Connie DeMizio
Phyllis Rohling
Cathy Dolan

SATURDAY

August 13th

Saints Pontian, Pope and Hippolytus, Priest, Martyrs

8:30 AM

Deacon Bill Wagner
Carmela Pagano
Peggyann Tuma

20th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

5:00 PM
(Saturday)

Paul Scanlon
Jennie Sinagra
Beverly Guldner

SUNDAY

August 14

8:30 AM

Margaret Sheedy
Robert Heim
John McMonagle

10:30 AM

James Hurley, Jr.
Kieran and Sallye O'Doherty
Marie Maymer

PASTOR'S COLUMN

Spiritual pearls for youth and for all

The 31st World Youth Day events took place in Poland last week. Over 1.5 million pilgrims from over 180 countries participated with Pope Francis in prayer and celebrating the heritage of our Catholic faith. During his speeches and homilies the Holy Father imparted spiritual advice and wisdom to those participating. I listed here some of the ones that I felt would be something for each of us to ponder.

“Whoever welcomes Jesus, learns to love as Jesus does. So he asks us if we want a full life. And in his name, I ask you: do you want a full life? Start right this moment by letting yourself be open and attentive! Because happiness is sown and blossoms in mercy. That is his answer, his offer, his challenge, his adventure: mercy. Mercy always has a youthful face. Like that of Mary of Bethany, who sat as a disciple at the feet of Jesus and joyfully listened to his words, since she knew that there she would find peace. Like that of Mary of Nazareth, whose daring “Yes” launched her on the adventure of mercy. All generations would call her blessed; to all of us she is the “Mother of Mercy”. Let us call upon her together: Mary, Mother of Mercy. All of us: Mary, Mother of Mercy.” (*Welcoming Ceremony Address, Thursday, July 28, 2016*)

“How I would wish that we Christians could be as close to the sick as Jesus was, in silence, with a caress, with prayer. Sadly, our society is tainted by the culture of waste, which is the opposite of the culture of acceptance. And the victims of the culture of waste are those who are weakest and most frail; and this is indeed cruel. How beautiful it is instead to see that in this hospital the smallest and most needy are welcomed and cared for. Thank you for this sign of love that you offer us! This is the sign of true civility, human and Christian: to make those who are most disadvantaged the centre of social and political concern.” (*visit to the Children’s University Hospital, Krakow, Friday, July 29, 2016*)

“This is no time for denouncing anyone or fighting. We do not want to tear down, we do not want to give insult. We have no desire to conquer hatred with more hatred, violence with more violence, terror with more terror. We are here today because the Lord has called us together. Our response to a world at war has a name: its name is fraternity, its name is brotherhood, its name is communion, its name is family. We celebrate the fact that coming from different cultures, we have come together to pray. Let our best word, our best argument, be our unity in prayer. Let us take a moment of silence and pray. Let us place before the Lord these testimonies of our friends, and let us identify with those for whom “the family is a meaningless concept, the home only a place to sleep and eat”, and with those who live with the fear that their mistakes and sins have made them outcasts. Let us also place before the Lord your own “battles”, our “battles”, the interior struggles that each carries in his or her heart. And so, to live as a family, in fraternity, I invite all of you together to stand, to take each other’s hand and to pray in silence. All of us.” (*Prayer Vigil, Campus Misericordiae, Kraków*)

“That is our real “stature”, our spiritual identity: we are God’s beloved children, always. So you can see that not to accept ourselves, to live glumly, to be negative, means not to recognize our deepest identity. It is like walking away when God wants to look at me, trying to spoil his dream for me. God loves us the way we are, and no sin, fault or mistake of ours makes him change his mind. As far as Jesus is concerned – as the Gospel shows – no one is unworthy of, or far from, his thoughts. No one is insignificant. He loves all of us with a special love; for him all of us are important: *you* are important! God counts on you for what you are, not for what you possess. In his eyes the clothes you wear or the kind of cell phone you use are of absolutely no concern. He doesn’t care whether you are stylish or not; he cares about you, just as you are! In his eyes, you are precious, and your value is inestimable.”

“Dear young friends, don’t be ashamed to bring everything to the Lord in confession, especially your weaknesses, your struggles and your sins. He will surprise you with his forgiveness and his peace. Don’t be afraid to say “yes” to him with all your heart, to respond generously and to follow him! Don’t let your soul grow numb, but aim for the goal of a beautiful love which also demands sacrifice. Say a firm “no” to the narcotic of success at any cost and the sedative of worrying only about yourself and your own comfort.” (*Homily, Campus Misericordiae, Krakow*)

For full texts of speeches, homilies and pictures visit: w2.vatican.va the website for the Holy See.

Peace,
Fr. Richard

PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS

Those who serve in the military:

Sean Milde, Greg Scaduto, Frank Fasano, Marcia Fernandes, Richard Lister, Eric Leverone, Jay Donato, Frank Messina, Eileen Murphy, Peter Giovanni, Brian Reynolds, John E. Siedler IV, and Alex Slevens.

Those who are ill:

Roberta Parinello, Helen Murray, Larry Hebert, Larry Oster, Saverio Lacopo, Lou Aroneo, Msgr. Patrick Brown, Jack and Maria Bickel, Mary Keller, Dorothy Paul, Givi Trauwaert, Ruth Ann Rahe, Mary Bigelis, George Armenti III, MaryAnn Paster, Anne Galdieri, Terry McCloskey, Patricia Caruso-Minicozzi, Susan Holmes, Pat Moran, and Eric Binner.

Those who have died to this world

Brian Bergkamp
Requiescat in Pace

May all the faithful who have departed this world rest in your eternal peace.
Amen

READINGS FOR NEXT SUNDAY

First Reading: Jeremiah 38:4-6, 8-10

Jeremiah urged the people of Jerusalem to surrender to the enemy. This angered the princes, who then requested that Jeremiah be put to death. The king allowed the princes to leave him in a cistern without food or water. But after Ebed Melech pleaded for Jeremiah's life, the king decided to free him.

Second Reading: Hebrews 12:1-4

This letter to the Hebrews inspires all Christians to persevere, in spite of the trials they may face. Jesus endured much suffering and was rewarded by God. Despite our struggles, we must remember Jesus' ability to endure and maintain strong faith in him.



Gospel: Luke 12:49-53

Jesus tells his disciples that his message will not bring peace to the earth. Instead, even families will become sharply divided because some members will embrace him, while others condemn him.

THE SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

Reborn through the waters of Baptism and the outpouring of the Holy Spirit, we embrace



Jack David Gallic
son of Francis and Maria Gallic

claimed now by Christ for the fullness of Eternal Life.

DIOCESAN MEN'S CONFERENCE

The Diocese of Paterson Men's Conference will be held on Saturday, October 15 at St. Paul Inside the Walls in Madison. Join us from 8:30 a.m.-1:00 p.m. for the opportunity to enhance men's spirituality and encourage them to be more involved with their parishes. Former NFL receiver, Danny Abramowicz, Peter Herbeck, Director of Renewal Ministries, and Pete Burak, Director of Young Adult Outreach for Renewal Ministries will make presentations. The conference will conclude with Mass celebrated by Bishop Serratelli. More information to follow or visit insidethewalls.org.

SAVE THE DATE



Mark your calendars for the 14th Annual Woman's Retreat **September 30th to October 2nd** at Our Lady of Fatima

Shrine Washington, New Jersey. The retreat director will be Fr. Richard. Please see flyer in Narthex.

FLOWER/VOTIVE CANDLE OFFERING

The votive candle before the statue of the Blessed Mother is in honor of

Maple Ann Young

GROCERY GIFT CARDS

Grocery gift cards, will continue to be sold as a fundraiser. If you would like to purchase cards, please call the parish office at 908-647-0118 and ask for Vera. You can reserve the amount of Grocery Gift Cards and an envelope with your name will be available for you to pick up after Mass on the weekend. Or you can visit the Parish House during the week and purchase them directly. Thank you for your continued support.

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL CEMETERY

The following are not permitted on cemetery grounds: artificial flowers, plastic or ceramic statues, vigil lights, trees, shrubs, ivy grave coverings and stands, metal legs or hooks for potted plants. Flowerbeds are permitted, running the width of a headstone and extending one foot off the monument base. Modest fencing of flowerbeds is allowed. Masonry or any other fencing around flower beds considered obtrusive or hazardous is not permitted. Maintenance of permitted plantings is the sole responsibility of the family. Any decorations, plantings or borders not permitted may be removed at any time. All rules subject to change upon consideration for the safety for those who visit and for aesthetic or religious reasons.

The rules above are posted in the cemetery and given to those who purchase plots. There are a number of situations in which the rules have been ignored. Trees and shrubs which have been planted will compromise foundations and eventually cause monuments to topple. As stated above masonry borders and fencing is prohibited. Both these infractions are potential safety hazards. In addition these violations interfere with the upkeep of the cemetery.

Therefore, beginning **October 1, 2016** we will be removing trees and shrubs from the cemetery and removing any permanent masonry flower bed borders. For those with plots in the cemetery you have the option of removing or transplanting trees and shrubs yourself prior to **October 1**. You also have the option of removing any permanent borders and replacing them in accordance with the rules stated. Your understanding and cooperation is appreciated as we strive to maintain our parish cemetery.

PARISH FOOD PANTRY NEEDS

This past month we were able to assist 45 families.

The following items are in short supply :
Canned corn, green beans and mixed vegetables, coffee, tea, hot chocolate, dry milk, tuna, mac n' cheese, chicken noodle soup, vegetable soup, sardines, spaghetti, noodles, honey nut cheerios, Raison bran corn flakes. Dry small red beans, canned pinto beans, navy beans, pink beans and refried beans, tomato sauce and instant potatoes.

Thank you for your continued support.

**A HOLY HOUR FOR YOUNG ADULTS:
AN EVENING OF ADORATION,
CONFESSIONS, PRAISE AND
WORSHIP.**

Come join the young adults of the People of Hope and other young professionals for an evening of spiritual renewal on August 18th at 7:30 PM in the Church. The Holy Hour will include adoration, confession, praise and worship. Fr. Aro Varnabas ST, from St. Joseph's Shrine will preside and preach on the Year of Mercy. All young adults are welcome! Fellowship to follow afterwards.

**THE RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF
ADULTS (RCIA)**

For adults who have never been baptized, adults who have been baptized in another Christian tradition and who believe that God is calling them to full membership in the Roman Catholic Church, adults who were baptized Catholic but have had no instruction in the faith or have not received the Sacraments of First Eucharist and/or Confirmation. Through study, faith formation and discernment adults engage the process which will bring them into fuller sacramental membership within the Church. Please contact Fr. Richard if you or someone you know would be interested or if would like to have more information. Sessions will begin in October.

**SNOW REMOVAL AND
LANDSCAPING BIDS**

We are looking for proposals for snow removal and landscaping on our campus. If you or someone you know is interested, please contact the parish house, 908 647 0118 and ask for Mary Woods or email her at mwoods@stvdpc.org. Thank you.

FAITH FORMATION/RELIGIOUS EDUCATION



*1st-10th Grade
Faith Formation*

Registration forms are still available and due as soon as possible. If your child will be attending for the first time, please contact Deirdre Nemeth (1st-8th) or Amilee Bishop (9th and 10th) in the Faith Formation office for information and registration forms at 908-647-6772.

You can also visit www.stvincentschurch.org for the 2016-17 schedule, program description and registration form.

1ST-8TH GRADE CURRICULUM THEMES

St. Vincent de Paul's Faith Formation is a combination of classroom Family Faith events (described in last week's bulletin) and classroom sessions. There are a total of fourteen age-level classroom sessions that take place immediately after each Mass on Sunday beginning in October. Below is a detailed description of the curriculum. While children are in class, parents are welcome to attend an adult faith class or enjoy coffee and fellowship with other parents.

GRADE	CURRICULUM THEME	ADDITIONAL INFO
1 ST	GOD AS FATHER, SON & HOLY SPIRIT. SACRAMENTS.	Sacramental preparation is a two year program beginning in 1st grade and concluding in 2nd grade with First Penance and First Eucharist. <i>Book: Finding God - Loyola Press</i>
2 ND	FIRST PENANCE & FIRST EUCHARIST	First Holy Communion is in May. <i>Book: God's Gift Eucharist - Loyola Press</i>
3 RD	BIBLE	An introduction to the Bible and major people and exciting events of the Old Testament leading up to Jesus. <i>Book: Catholic Children's Bible - St. Mary's Press</i>
4 TH	CATHOLICISM *	*4 Themes of Catechism: 1. God (Father, Son, Holy Spirit) 2. Sacraments & Liturgy 3. Ten Commandments/Morality 4. Prayer <i>Book: Finding God - Loyola Press</i>
5 TH	CONSECRATION TO MARY	Mary, as the Mother of God, is the Queen of Heaven and earth and our greatest intercessor. Consecration means to give our hearts and concerns to Mary who will lead each of us to a deeper union with her son, Jesus. <i>Book: A Children's Consecration to Mary - Under Mary's Mantle</i>
6 TH	BIBLE	An overview of the Bible as God's plan to save us from sin and death and bring us to eternal life. The Old Testament is the history of God's Covenant with the Chosen people. <i>Book: Great People of the Bible - St. Mary's Press</i>
7 TH	CATHOLICISM*	Bishop Barron's "Catholicism Series" for Middle School
8 TH	THEOLOGY OF THE BODY	This curriculum is based on Saint Pope John Paul II's Theology of the Body and sheds a beautiful light on the dignity of each person as being made in the image and likeness of God. Family Faith: As a follow-up to the 6th/7th Grade Family Faith session on Theology of the Body, "Made in God's Image", this year (on Nov.13), 8th Graders and their parents will attend a session that presents a deeper level of Theology of the Body. In light of Saint Pope John Paul II's writings, the "whys" behind the Church's beautiful teachings on chastity and the importance of "waiting" until marriage will be explained and discussed as a family and community. <i>Book: Theology of the Body for Teens - Ascension Press</i>