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1923-2023: Celebrating a hundred years of Ministry and Service

"The kingdom of heaven is like a landowner ... Are you envious because I am generous?'
Thus, the last will be first, and the first will be last."

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
Rosary Society 1st Sunday after 11:00 a.m. Mass	**Our Lady of Miraculous Medal Novena** after 9:00 a.m. Mass	**Charismatic Group la Paix** *Rectory basement at* 7:00 p.m.	**Our Mother of Perpetual Help Novena** after 9:00 a.m. Mass	**Mary's Apostolate Prayers for Reconciliation** 8:00 a.m.	**Legion of Mary** *Rectory basement* at 10:00 a.m.	**St. Vincent de Paul sandwich making** *Rectory basement* at 9:00 a.m.
Mary's Apostolate 3rd Sunday after 11:00 a.m. Mass	***In His Light*** **Charismatic Prayer Group** *Rectory basement at* 7:00 p.m.	***Group la Paix*** **Charismatic Mass** 4th Tuesday at 7:00 p.m.	**Jeanne Mance Guild** *Rectory basement* after 9:00 a.m. Mass	**St. Vincent de Paul** 1st Monday *Rectory* at 7:30 p.m.	**Girl Scouts** *Lower Church* 6:00 - 8:00 p.m.	**Divine Mercy Chaplet** *Chapel* after 9:00 a.m. Mass

TWENTY-FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
SEPTEMBER 24TH 2023

MASS INTENTIONS:

Saturday, September 23rd **5:00 p.m.**
World Day of Migrants and Refugees

Sunday September 24th **8:00 a.m.**
World Day of Migrants and Refugees
Saint Michael and the Archangels Novena
Joyce Ali-Bocas - Healing and blessing

11:00 a.m.
World Day of Migrants and Refugees
The People of Saint Vincent Ferrer Parish - Blessing on our 100th anniversary
Gerald DeMaio - Healing and blessing
Requested by Faith sharing group
Medad Leonidas - Birthday blessing
Lucienne Previl - Blessing
Requested on behalf of the Parish
Sean and Gillian Forbes - Matrimonial blessing
Requested by Lester and Marcia Harrison

Monday, September 25th **9:00 a.m.**
Saint Michael and the Archangels Novena
Rev. Msgr. Paul Jarvis - In memoriam
Requested by Claudia Hooper

Tuesday, September 26th **9:00 a.m.**
Saint Michael and the Archangels Novena
Memorial of Saints Cosmas and Damian, Martyrs
Duane Knight - Birthday blessing
Requested by Brian Knight and Family

Wednesday, September 27th **9:00 a.m.**
Saint Michael and the Archangels Novena
Memorial of Saint Vincent de Paul, Priest
Pauline Martin - In memoriam
Requested b The Aird Family

Thursday, September 28th **9:00 a.m.**
Saint Michael and the Archangels Novena
Memorial of Saint Wenceslaus, Martyr
Memorial of Saint Lawrence Ruiz and companions
Claudia Hooper - In thanksgiving to St. Michael the Archangels

Friday, September 29th **9:00 a.m.**
Feast of Saints Michael, Gabriel, and Raphael, Archangels
All Souls Novena
Rev. Fr. Dennis J. Farrell - In memoriam
Requested by Margaret and James Bambara

Saturday, September 30th **9:00 a.m.**
Memorial of Saint Jerome, Priest, Doctor of the Church
Mitchell Millian - Birthday blessing
Requested by Charmaine Knight

If today you hear his voice, harden not your hearts.

GIFTS AND INTENTIONS:

Bread and Wine:
Rev. Msgr. Paul Jarvis - In memoriam
Requested by Claudia Hooper

Altar Flowers:

Sanctuary Candle:

Altar Candle:

Altar Candle:

Annunciation Chapel Candle:

Mary's Chapel Candle:
Sandra Stafford - Healing

Saint Joseph's Candle:
Sandra Stafford - Healing

Baptism: Every second Saturday of the month at 11:00 a.m. The child's original birth certificate must be presented at registration.
Marriage: Couples planning to be married should speak to the priest at least 6 months before the desired date. For complete information about marriage preparation in the Diocese, visit www.pre-cana.org.
Reconciliation: Saturdays at 4:30 p.m. or by appointment.
Sick Calls: In case of an emergency - any time.

Saint Vincent Ferrer Parish Ministry Day
of
Recollection and Prayer

Saturday, November 18, 2023
9:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.

9:00 a.m.— Mass
10:00 a.m.— Discussion, reflection and prayer
12:30 p.m.— Break
2:00 p.m.— Holy Hour and Adoration
3:00 p.m.— End of Day

Celebrating a Century of Faith and Service
1923 - 2023

Readings of the Week

Twenty-fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time:
Is 55:6 - 9; Ps 145:2 - 3, 8 - 9, 17 - 18;
Phil 1:20c - 24, 27a Mt 20:1 - 16a.
How different are the Lord's ways from our own (1)! Gracious and good to all (Ps), the Lord is equally generous in compassion and love to those who are quick to respond to his invitation, as well as to those who are slow to hear his call (3). May the Lord Jesus always be our life (2).

Read Gospel of the day. Matthew 20:1-16a. Take some time to reflect in silence on one or more of the following questions:

- What word or words in this passage caught your attention?
- What in this passage comforted you?
- What in this passage challenged you?

Monday:
Ezr 1:1 - 6; Ps 126:1 - 6; Lk 8:16 - 18.
Through Cyrus, the Lord wills that the captives be freed (Ps) and return home to rebuild the Temple (1). The light of gospel truth must shine forth through our lives (2).

Tuesday: :
Ezr 6:7 - 8, 12b, 14 - 20; Ps 122:1 - 5; Lk 8:19 - 21.
The dedication of the Temple (1) is celebrated with joy (Ps). Those who hear the word and practice it constitute the family of Jesus (2).

Wednesday:
Ezr 9:5 - 9; (Ps) Tb 13: 2, 3 - 4, 7 - 8; Lk 9:1 - 6.
Ezra praises God for his goodness and pardon to sinners (1, Ps). The Twelve are sent forth to proclaim the good news and to heal (2).

Thursday:
Hg 1:1 - 8; Ps 149:1 - 6, 9 Lk 9:7 - 9.
The Lord will take delight (Ps) in the temple which is to be rebuilt (1). Herod is perplexed by the person of Jesus (2).

Friday:
Dn 7:9 - 10, 13 - 14 or Rv 12:7 - 12a; Ps 138:1 - 5; Jn 1:47 - 51
Let us join the countless hosts of angels (1a) in singing the praises of the Lord (Ps), and of his victory over sin and death (1b). They are God's faithful ministers (2).

Saturday:
Zec 2:5 - 9, 14 - 15a; (Ps) Jer 31:10 - 13' Lk 9:43b - 45.
The future temple will become the gathering place for all peoples (1, Ps). The Son of Man must suffer (2).

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Saint Vincent Ferrer Roman Catholic Church
School of Religious Education
Grades 1-8

Registration for 2023/2024 has begun

Classes begin September 24, 2023

The registration forms are online at saintvincentferrer.org under the Education tab. If you prefer a printed copy of the registration form, please call the Rectory at 718-859-9009 and we will mail the form to you. The registration fee is $50.00 per family and can be paid by cash or money order. Please bring the payment to the Rectory, 1603 Brooklyn Avenue. The office is open Monday through Friday from 9:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. There are no evening or weekend office hours.

First Communion
The preparation is a 2-year program usually starting in the First Grade

Faith Formation
Religious Education continues in the 3rd grade through the 6th grade.

Confirmation
The preparation is a 2-year program, typically in the 7th and 8th grades.
The 2 years of preparation are MANDATORY.

Mass attendance is a very important part of the Faith Formation program especially for those in the Sacramental programs. Please make every effort to join us in our celebrations.

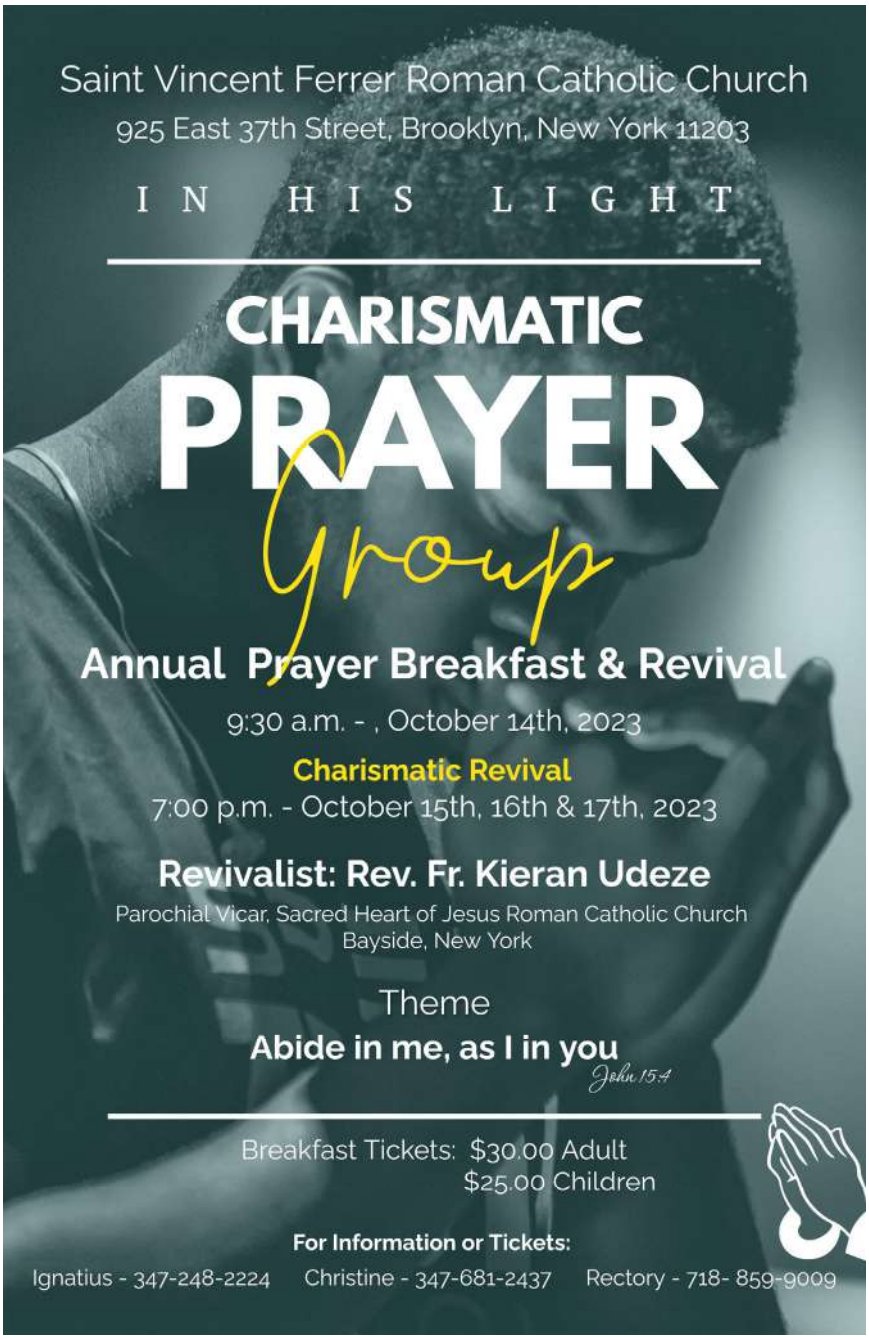
For additional information please contact the Rectory Office at 718-859-9009 or info@saintvincentferrer.org

September is National Sickle Cell Awareness Month

To livestream Masses visit **saintvincentferrer.org**

The Eucharist "is the source and summit of the Christian life."

CCC 1324



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Rev. Fr. Antonius Gopaul,
the Parish Trustees
and the Parish Council
of
Saint Vincent Ferrer Parish
extend a hearty and blessed
thank you to all for the
success of our Centennial
Celebrations

Pope Francis' September Intention

For people living on the margins

We pray for those persons living on the margins of society, in inhumane life conditions; may they not be overlooked by institutions and never considered of lesser importance.

Second Collection

Catholic Education/
St. Elizabeth Ann Seaton Trust Fund.

Thank you for your generous contribution to the **Catholic Education/St. Elizabeth Ann Seaton Trust Fund.** The revenue from this collection is for the support of Catholic education in the Diocese.

The Eucharist Is The Heart Of Our Life In Christ

He Calls Us Friends
[The landowner] paid them all the same!

Of course, the first ones hired protested. This was impossible; had they not worked ten times as much?

According to human practice, justice did not seem to have been done. . . .

It was, but in a different way. With one word, Jesus changed the whole scene in today's story. The landowner does not treat his workers as servants, not even as sisters or brothers. The landowner addresses them in another way; he calls them friends.

We are accustomed to calling one another sisters and brothers in Jesus' name. In Jesus' name, didn't he tell us that we all have one Father, our Father in heaven? And aren't we all formed from the same Mother: God's earth? Aren't we descendants from the same ancestors: Adam and Eve?

Yet Jesus hardly ever calls us brother or sister, only once, maybe twice. He called us, very explicitly, friends.

You can have a brother and not be his friend; you can have a sister and not love her at all. To be blood related is no guarantee of love or respect. The Bible is full of that type of relationship: Abel and Cain, Isaac and Ishmael, Jacob and Esau, Joseph and his brothers.

It was not for nothing that Peter had to ask, "How often do I forgive my brother?"

He calls us friends!

Of course, he is our brother, but what is nicer than having your brother as a friend or being the friend of your sister?

It is that relationship that changes all, even today's story. What a friend we have in Jesus!

As for the rest, aren't we all like workers who started at the very last hour?

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If today you hear his voice, harden not your hearts.

Scripture Reflection

Read Sunday's Gospel: *Matt 20:1-16a*

What conversion of mind, heart, and life is the Lord asking of me?

The kingdom of heaven is like a landowner who went out at dawn to hire laborers for his vineyard. How am I being called to labor for the Lord? How can I prepare my heart to hear and respond to the Lord's call?

Why do you stand here idle all day? When have I failed to act as I should? How have I become lazy in my spiritual life?

Thus, the last will be first, and the first will be last. Who in my community is seen as "last"? How can I reach out to the forgotten and marginalized?

After a period of silent reflection, recite the Lord's Prayer.

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If not now, when?

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Diocesan Eucharistic Revival

Saturday, October 7, 2023
8:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.

Maimonides Park
1904 Surf Avenue, Brooklyn, NY 11224

Register with the Parish Office for **free** tickets

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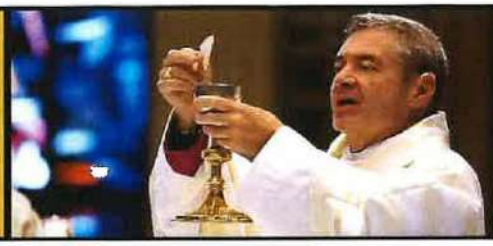
"WHOEVER EATS THIS BREAD WILL LIVE FOREVER"



Diocesan Eucharistic Revival

Saturday, October 7, 2023

Maimonides Park

1904 Surf Ave, Brooklyn, NY 11224

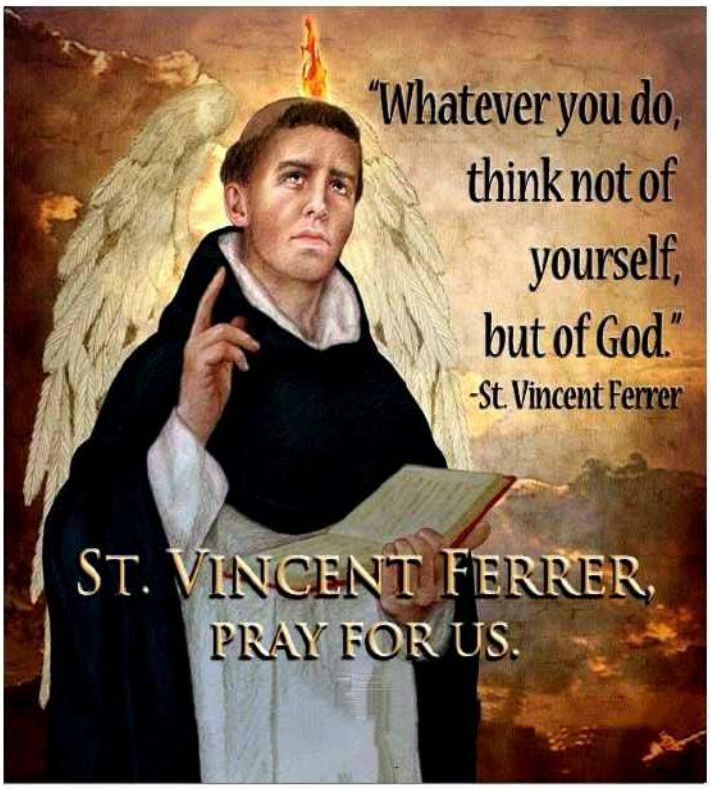
8:00 AM - 3:00 PM

FREE!

- 8:00 AM Check-in
- 8:30 AM Praise & Worhip~Rosary
- 9:45 AM Liturgical Procession & Eucharistic Liturgy
- 11:15 AM Eucharistic Procession to Eucharistic Chapel
- 11:35 AM Break-Lunch
- 12:00 PM Angelus
- 12:05 PM Youth & Young Adult Praise & Worship
- 1:00 PM Break
- 1:15 PM Family Catechesis- Speaker Dcn. Matt Halbach
- 2:15 PM Break
- 2:30 PM Vocations Testimonials
- 3:00 PM Benediction and Send Off

We hope you join us to fill the stadium with the love of Christ in the Eucharist.
Bring your family and friends to share in the experience with your brothers and sisters in Christ.

Please contact your parish for more information on how to register. We encourage public transportation, parking in the area is very limited. Concession stands will be open.



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MASS SCHEDULE

Monday - Saturday: 9:00 a.m.
Saturday: 5:00 p.m. - Vigil Mass
Sunday: 8:00 a.m. & 11:00 a.m.
HOLY DAYS: 9:00 a.m.

Homebound Ministry

Please contact the Rectory Office if you are homebound or know of any parishioner who is homebound or anyone going for a medical procedure who would like to be anointed by a priest and/or receive the Holy Eucharist.
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Consecration to Saint Joseph, the head of the Holy Family, the Patron of the Universal Church and Terror of Demons

Solemnity of All Saints

Wednesday, November 1, 2023
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September 30, 2023

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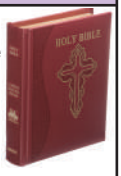

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