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Happy Thanksgiving!

In all circumstances, give thanks,
for this is the will of God for you in Christ Jesus.
1 Thes 5:18

THIRTY-THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
NOVEMBER 19TH 2023

MASS INTENTIONS:

Saturday, November 18th **5:00 p.m.**
World Day of the Poor
Mr. & Mrs. Joubert Claude - In memoriam
Requested by Jocelyne David

Sunday, November 19th **8:00 a.m.**
Christ the King Novena
World Day of the Poor
Claudia Hooper - Birthday blessing
Requested by Yvrose Auguste

11:00 a.m.
World Day of the Poor
The People of Saint Vincent Ferrer Parish - Blessing on our 100th Anniversary
Antoinette Harris - Birthday blessing
Linda Aldridge - Health and Mary's blessing
Mr. & Mrs. Hamerton and Altagrace Mathieu and Family - In thanksgiving
Margaret and James Bambara - Blessing and thanksgiving
Requested on behalf of the Parish
Cherry and Ernest Williams - Blessing and thanksgiving
Requested on behalf of the Parish
Fabiola Bell - Blessing and healing
Requested by the Noriega and Bell Families

Monday, November 20th **9:00 a.m.**
Christ the King Novena

Tuesday, November 21st **9:00 a.m.**
Memorial of The Presentation of the Blessed Virgin Mary
Marie Ange Lamarque - In memoriam
Requested by Jocelyn David

Wednesday, November 22nd **9:00 a.m.**
Christ the King Novena
Memorial of Saint Cecilia, Martyr
Guy Arnold Pierre-Louis - In memoriam
Requested by the Philogene Family

Thursday, November 23rd **9:00 a.m.**
Christ the King Novena
Memorial of Saint Clement I, Pope, Martyr
Memorial of Saint Columban, Abbot
Memorial of Saint Agustin Pro, Priest, Martyr
Blessing of Food

Happy Thanksgiving

Friday, November 24th **9:00 a.m.**
Christ the King Novena
Memorial of Saint Andrew Dũng-Lạc, Priest, and Companions, Martyrs
Ketty Numa - In thanksgiving

Saturday, November 25th **9:00 a.m.**
Christ the King Novena
Memorial of Saint Catherine of Alexander, Martyr
Guy Arnold Pierre-Louis - In memoriam
Requested by the Philogene Family

GIFTS AND INTENTIONS:

Bread and Wine:

Altar Flowers:

Sanctuary Candle:

Altar Candle:
Ingrid Perry - Blessing

Altar Candle:

Altar Candle:
Monica Walker - Blessing

Altar Candle:
Fabiola Bell - Blessing and healing

Annunciation Chapel Candle:

Mary's Chapel Candle:
Sandra Stafford - Healing and thanksgiving

Saint Joseph's Candle:
Claudia Hooper - Blessing

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.

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.
#718-859-9009

To livestream Masses visit
saintvincentferrer.org

Celebrating a Century of Faith and Service
1923 - 2023

Sunday:
Prv 31:10 - 13, 19 - 20, 30 - 31; Ps 128:1 - 5 1;
Thes 5:1 - 6 Mt 25:14 - 30.
Those who use their gifts and talents in the service of one another (3), especially the poor and the needy (1), are blessed indeed (Ps). They shall be known as children of the light, and will be ready for the Lord's return (2).

Read the Gospel of the day. 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:
1 Mc 1:10 - 15, 41 - 43, 54 - 57, 62 - 63;
Ps 119:53, 61, 134, 150, 155, 158; Lk 18:35 - 43.
Antiochus IV Epiphanes seeks to introduce Hellenism into Palestine and abolish Jewish law (1). Many resolve to resist such oppression (Ps). Jesus heals a blind man (2).

Tuesday:
2 Mc 6:18 - 31; Ps 3:2 - 7; Lk 19:1 - 10.
Trusting in the Lord (Ps), Eleazar is killed, becoming a model of courage and virtue (1). Meeting Jesus, Zacchaeus repents of his sins (2).

Wednesday:
2 Mc 7:1, 20 - 31; Ps 17:1, 5 - 6, 8, 15; Lk 19:11 - 28.
Steadfast in the paths of the Lord (Ps), a mother and her sons remain faithful to the Law (1). By using wisely our many blessings, growth in the kingdom takes place (2).

Thursday:
Sir 50:22 - 24; Ps 138:1 - 5 (945.3); 1 Cor 1:3 - 9 (944.1);
Lk 17:11 - 19.
As suggested: What wonders God has done (1)! Let us thank the God (Ps) who heals us (3) and calls us to communion with Christ (2).

Friday:
1 Mc 4:36 - 37, 52 - 59; (Ps) 1 Chr 29:10 - 12;
Lk 19:45 - 48.
With songs of praise (Ps), the Temple is purified and rededicated (1) in December, 164 BC (recalled annually in the Jewish feast of Hanukkah, "the feast of lights" [Josephus, Antiquities 12:7:7]). The Temple is to be a house of prayer (2).

Saturday:
1 Mc 6:1 - 13 Ps 9:2 - 4, 6, 16, 19 Lk 20:27 - 40
Antiochus, whose army is turned back (Ps), expresses sorrow for the trials he wrought upon Jerusalem (1). Jesus affirms the reality of bodily resurrection (2).

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

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.

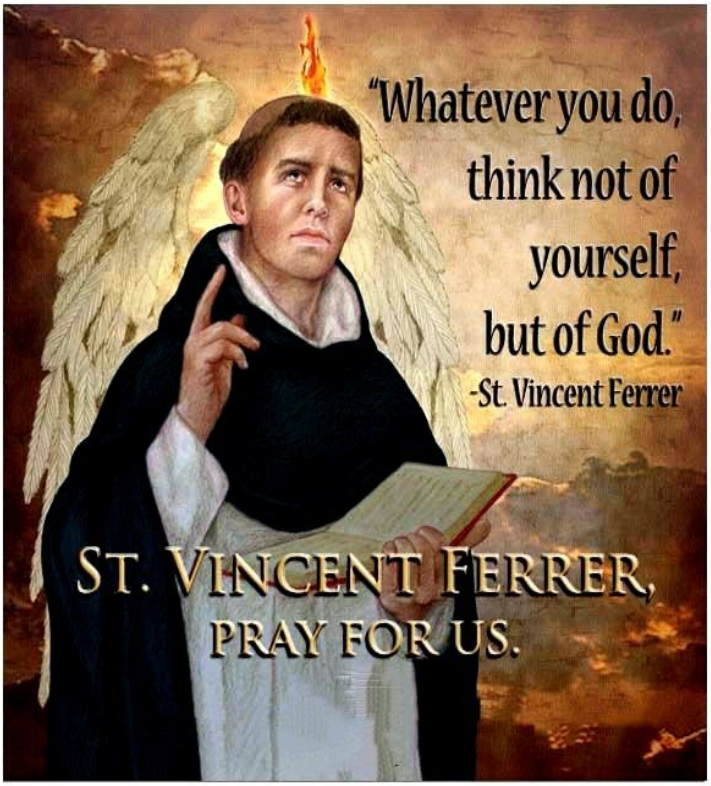
For additional information please contact the Rectory Office at 718-859-9009 or info@saintvincentferrer.org

Thank you for getting to Church on time.
God is waiting for you!

Praise the Lord!

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

CCC 1324



The challenge for each of us is to expand our vision and our hearts to embrace the whole family of God. Can we look beyond our blood relatives and beyond our national boundaries to include all God's children in our love and concern? Only then can we be true brothers and sisters of Christ Jesus.

Fr. Lawrence E. Mick – © Give Us This Day

Pope Francis' November Intention

For the Pope

We pray for the Holy Father; as he fulfills his mission, may he continue to accompany the flock entrusted to him, with the help of the Holy Spirit.

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The Eucharist Is The Heart Of Our Life In Christ

Ready to Risk and to Do

In this parable Jesus has used some tension-arousing material that is quite unusual for him. The stuff he uses in this story is neither religious nor moral. Jesus puts his hearers in a world in which affairs are harsh and predatory. Anyone who doesn't go for broke cannot last.

What a claim underlies this parable! Jesus is talking about God's plan for the world, the new thing that God wants to create in the midst of the old society. In short: he is speaking of the reign of God. This new world of God, says Jesus, will not succeed by cowardice, with people who are immovable, who constantly want to make themselves secure, who would rather delay than act. This new society of God will only succeed with people who are ready to risk, who will wager everything on the turn of a card, who go all out and who, with utter determination, will be "doers."

So in his parables Jesus can say that the reign of God comes as pure grace, as if "by itself" (recall the parable of the seed growing by itself [Mark 4:26-29]). But he can also say that its coming demands utter commitment. Is that a contradiction? Not necessarily. But it is a paradox. Evidently both those things have to be said if one is to speak appropriately about the reign of God.

Gerhard Lohfink, ©Give Us This Day

Land of Peace Mission

Next week, our brothers and sisters representing the **Land of Peace Mission**- a nonprofit organization will be with us speaking about the Christian situation in the Holy Land and selling Crucifixes, religious art work, and rosaries- all made of olive wood which is native to Israel and Bethlehem. Since tourism has greatly depleted, Christian families in the Holy Land, who depend on tourists, have been greatly affected. The goal of this mission is to help the poor and needy families in Bethlehem and Jerusalem. Sale of these goods will help them very much and also give you the opportunity to have "something" authentic from the Holy Land. Please browse and buy some articles. It is for a good cause and also a help to your personal devotion. Visit website:

www.landofpeace.org

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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.

Scripture Reflection

Read Sunday's Gospel: Mt 25:14-30

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

But the man who received one went off and dug a hole in the ground and buried his master's money. What have I done to develop my God-given gifts? When have I hidden my faith instead of giving witness?

Since you were faithful in small matters, I will give you great responsibilities. What responsibilities has God given me? How does faithfully fulfilling my responsibilities give witness to my faith?

Come, share your master's joy. How have I experienced God's holy joy this week? How can I share that joy with others?

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

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Special Collection

Thank you for your ***Thanksgiving Offering: A gift to my Parish*** offering.

Catholic Campaign for Human Development
Next weekend our special collection will support the Catholic Campaign for Human Development. Catholics across the United States are asked to respond to Pope's Francis' World Day of the Poor by giving to the U.S. Bishops' Catholic Campaign for Human Develop. This special annual collection supports the U.S. Bishop's anti-poverty and social justice programs and assists poor and marginalized populations in communities across the United States. Learn more at *www.usccb.org/cchd*

We pray for those who have given so generously to the Annual Catholic Appeal, that the Lord will bless them abundantly for their generosity and supply all their needs and the needs of their loved ones.

God will always challenge us—through the voices of those we disagree with, through the words of the Gospel, through life-changing circumstances—to see God as more than we imagined.

Renée Darline Roden

Legacy of Faith

Remember our parish in your will.
When you update your estate plans, please consider continuing your lifelong stewardship by leaving a bequest to

Saint Vincent Ferrer Roman Catholic Church.
1603 Brooklyn Avenue, Brooklyn, NY 11210

For more information, please call
Fr. Gopaul at 718-859-9009

Novena in Honor of Christ the King of The Universe

9:00 a.m.
November 17—November 25, 2023
Eucharistic Celebration
11:00 a.m.
Sunday, November 26, 2023

All are invited

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

Become a member of Saint Vincent Ferrer Parish!

Fill out this form and drop it in the Rectory's mail slot, or collection basket or send an email to:
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Total Consecration to Jesus through the Blessed Virgin Mary

on the

Feast of
The Immaculate Conception
of
The Blessed Virgin Mary

Friday December 8, 2023
Preparation for consecration began
Sunday, November 5, 2023

OR

The Feast of Our Lady of Guadalupe
Tuesday, December 12, 2023
Preparation for Consecration began
Thursday, November 9, 2023

Saint Vincent Ferrer Roman Catholic Church

925 East 37th Street, Brooklyn N.Y. 11210

Consecration to Saint Joseph, the head of the Holy Family, the Patron of the Universal Church and Terror of Demons

The Feast of our Lady of Loreto
Sunday, December 10, 2023

Preparation for Consecration began
Wednesday, November 8, 2023

"We, the people of this continent, are not fearful of foreigners, because most of us were once foreigners. I say this to you as the son of immigrants, knowing that so many of you are also descended from immigrants."

Pope Francis on his visit to the United States

Pray that we may all learn the value and dignity of all human life, and seek to uphold it in every situation.

Mass Intentions

We encourage you to honor and/or memorialize a loved one, living or deceased, with a Mass, a gift of bread and wine, sanctuary candle, altar candle, chapel candle or altar flowers.

Requests must be submitted on or before the Friday, two weeks before the desired date. Place your request together with **your name** and **phone number** in a sealed envelope in the offering basket.

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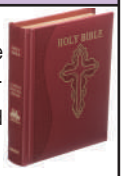

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