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

You have but one master, the Christ.
Matthew 23:10

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OFFICE HOURS

Monday to Friday: 9:30 a.m. - 4:30 pm
Evenings & Weekends: By appointment

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.

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

THIRTY-FIRST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
NOVEMBER 5TH 2023

MASS INTENTIONS:

Saturday, November 4th **5:00 p.m.**
All Souls Mass Remembrance
Leroy Gullap Sr. - In memoriam
Requested by the Gullap Family

Sunday, November 5th **8:00 a.m.**
All Souls Mass Remembrance
Selvon Gopaul - In memoriam
Requested by Pearly Gopaul and Family

11:00 a.m.
The People of Saint Vincent Ferrer Parish - Blessing on our 100th anniversary
Rev. Msgr. Joseph Nugent - Blessing
Requested by Gerald DeMaio
The Briffault Family - Blessing
Patrick Bernadine and Cynthia Addison-Bernadine - In thanksgiving
Requested by Kim and Quentin McKiney
Shirley McClean - Birthday blessing
Conroy Anthony Sr. - In memoriam
Conroy Anthony Jr. - Birthday memorial
Iclea Policart - In memoriam
Requested by Isabelle Scott

Monday, November 6th **9:00 a.m.**
All Souls Mass Remembrance
Robert Johnson - In memoriam
Requested on behalf of the Parish

Tuesday, November 7th **9:00 a.m.**
Election Day
All Souls Mass Remembrance
Regina McCourt - In thanksgiving and blessing
Requested on behalf of the Pastoral and Finance Councils

Wednesday, November 8th **9:00 a.m.**
All Souls Mass Remembrance
The deceased members of the Cadestin Family - In memoriam

Thursday, November 9th **9:00 a.m.**
All Souls Mass Remembrance
Feast of the Dedication of the Lateran Basilica

Friday, November 10th **9:00 a.m.**
All Souls Mass Remembrance
Memorial of Saint Leo the Great, Pope, Doctor of the Church
Anaiya Numa - Birthday blessing
Requested by Ketty Numa and Family

Saturday, November 11th **9:00 a.m.**
Veterans Day
All Souls Mass Remembrance
Memorial of Saint Martin of Tours, Bishop
Gerard Magloire - In memoriam
Requested by Jocelyn David

GIFTS AND INTENTIONS:

Bread and Wine:
Sandra Stafford - In thanksgiving and healing
Altar Flowers:
George Corbin - Healing
Requested on behalf of the Homebound Ministry
Sanctuary Candle:
Jean and Kenneth Chase - Blessing
Altar Candle:
Margaret Portes - Birthday blessing
Altar Candle:
June Goggin - Blessing
Altar Candle:
Gerald DeMaio - In thanksgiving
Altar Candle:
Joyce Ali-Bocas - Healing
Annunciation Chapel Candle:
Jean Morris - Blessing and healing
Mary's Chapel Candle:
Roy and Yvonne Redhead - Blessing
Saint Joseph's Candle:
The deceased members if the Joseph and Martin families
Requested by Claudia Hooper

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

Readings of the Week

Sunday:
Mal 1:14b — 2:2b, 8 - 10; Ps 131:1 - 3 1;
Thes 2:7b - 9, 13; Mt 23:1 - 12.
The prophet denounces those priests who in their pride have turned away from the Law, causing others to go astray (1). Jesus, too, is critical of those religious leaders who fail to practice what they preach. All, rather, are called to greatness through humility and service (3,Ps), by sharing their lives with others (2).

Read 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:
Rom 11:29 - 36; Ps 69:30 - 31, 33 - 34, 36; Lk 14:12 - 14.
Sinful humanity is mysteriously redeemed by God's mercy and love (1, Ps). No one is excluded from the table of the Lord (2).

Tuesday:
Rom 12:5 - 16b; Ps 131:1cde, 2 - 3; Lk 14:15 - 24/
Serve one another in love (1), in humility and simplicity of heart (Ps). All are invited to share in the Lord's banquet, especially the poor (2).

Wednesday:
Rom 13:8 - 10 Ps 112:1b - 2, 4 - 5, 9 Lk 14:25 - 33
Discipleship entails both prudence and the renouncement of attachments (2). But above all, it entails love (1, Ps).

Thursday:
Ez 47:1 - 2, 8 - 9, 12; Ps 46:2 - 3, 5 - 6, 8 - 9;
1 Cor 3:9c - 11, 16 - 17; Jn 2:13 - 22.
The waters flowing from the temple, the dwelling place of the Lord (Ps), bring forth life and growth (1). Jesus is the living sanctuary (3), and we, his living body in the Spirit (2).

Friday:
Rom 15:14 - 21; Ps 98:1 - 4; Lk 16:1 - 8.
The Lord has revealed to the nations (Ps) the gospel of Jesus Christ (1). As his disciples, we are to be in the world but not of it (2).

Saturday:
Rom 16:3 - 9, 16, 22 - 27; Ps 145:2 - 5, 10 - 11;
Lk 16:9 - 15.
May the God who strengthens us in the gospel (1) be praised forever (Ps)! Jesus reminds his disciples to seek only those things which will bring lasting joy (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.

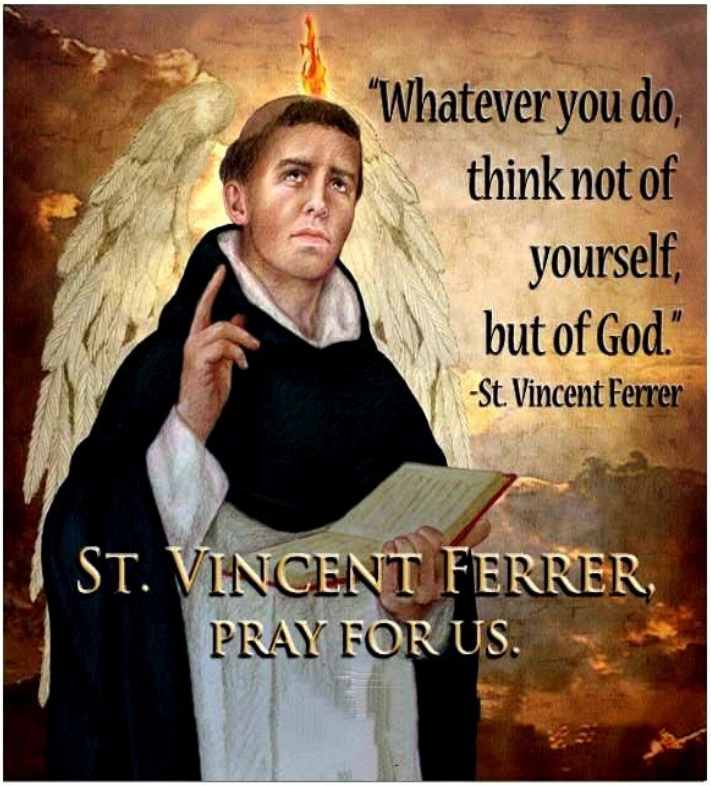
For additional information please contact the Rectory Office at 718-859-9009 or info@saintvincentferrer.org

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

Sunday Mornings

Before our first child was weaned—and for a long time after—church was an ordeal. Exhausted, we would drag ourselves out of bed, wake up a sleeping baby, wrestle her into the car seat, load up half the nursery into a diaper bag, and make our way to Mass—only to spend an hour bouncing and soothing and trying to shush our daughter's constant cries for attention.

Church was a chore. And yet, we did it. Why?

It wasn't to receive the Gospel of God that St. Paul proclaims. In fact, I would be hard pressed to recall a single sermon from all those years. Rather, we dragged our daughter (and her sisters after her) to church because we knew that we were setting an example. Like eating family dinners together, telling the truth, helping around the house, and showing kindness to strangers, going to Mass modeled a kind of life that my wife and I found meaningful and wanted to share.

Parents offer a model not only for their children, but for all of us. Christ gave himself away in love, and calls us to do the same. Sunday mornings I look around and see all these ordinary saints, with their squirrelly kids, teaching me how to imitate Christ. And I am reminded of that time when my wife abandoned any attempt to get something out of Mass for herself, and instead took our screaming daughter out of my arms, carried her to the corner of the cry room, and discretely began to nurse her. In that moment, I heard the words anew: Take. Eat. This is my body. For you.

Edward P. Hahnenberg, OP. ©Give Us This Day

Scripture Reflection

Read Sunday's Gospel: Matthew 23:1-12

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

For they preach but they do not practice. When have I failed to live according to my beliefs? How do my actions support and demonstrate my faith?

They tie up heavy burdens hard to carry and lay them on people's shoulders, but they will not lift a finger to move them. How have my actions added to the burdens that others must carry? How have I failed to assist others in carrying their burdens?

The greatest among you must be your servant. How can I offer loving service to those around me? How can I develop a servant's heart?

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

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Without our faithful parishioners, we could not fulfill the mission of our diocese.

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

Memorial Celebration for All the Faithful Departed

11:00 a. m.
November 5, 2023

Special Collection

All Souls' Day Offering
Thank you for your ***All Souls' Day offering***. The names of your loved ones will be remembered at all Masses.

My Thanksgiving Offering: A gift to my Parish
Next weekend's second collection is
My Thanksgiving Gift to My Parish. Please be generous.
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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

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For more information, please call
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GOD IS WITH US
It can be hard to grasp that the God of glory and power and undying love is always with us. Truly, this is one of the great mysteries of our Christian faith. Every time we make the sign of the cross, we are reminded of the life that is brought to light in Christ. The very life, passion, death, and resurrection of Jesus is evidence of the determination of God to love us through it all. Not only is Jesus proof of God's love, Christ's very presence with and within us is an outpouring of that love.

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Total Consecration to Jesus through the Blessed Virgin Mary
on the
Feast of the Presentation of Mary

Tuesday, November 21st, 2023
Preparation began October 19, 2023

OR

Feast of
The Immaculate Conception
of
The Blessed Virgin Mary

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

OR

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

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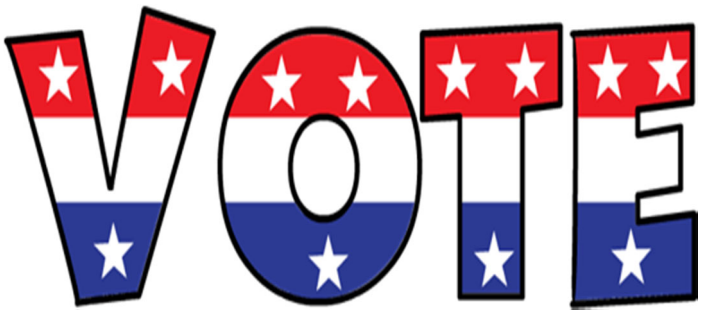
Consecration to Saint Joseph, the head of the Holy Family, the Patron of the Universal Church and Terror of Demons

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

Preparation for Consecration begins
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

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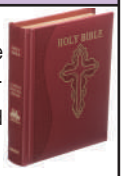

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