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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

THE EPIPHANY OF THE LORD
JANUARY 7TH 2024

MASS INTENTIONS:

Saturday, January 6th **5:00 p.m.**
Gerad Merilus - In memoriam
Carlos Priast - In memoriam

Sunday, January 7th **8:00 a.m.**
Joyce Nasir – In memoriam
Requested by Sheryl

11:00 a.m.
Rev. Msgr. Joseph Nugent – Blessing
Requested by Gerald De Maio
Stephanie and Stacey James – Birthday blessing
Francis Bethelemy – In thanksgiving
Norma Haughton – In memoriam
Requested by Debra Mackenzie
Ingrid Addison – In thanksgiving and blessing
Requested on behalf of the Parish
Gerald De Maio – In thanksgiving and blessing
Requested on behalf of the Parish
Anna and Michael Mayo – In thanksgiving and blessing
Requested on behalf of the Parish
Sarita Thomas – In thanksgiving and blessing
Requested on behalf of the Parish

Monday, January 8th **9:00 a.m.**
Feast of the Baptism of the Lord
Desmond Forsythe - Birthday blessing
Requested by Allison Gullap

Ordinary Time

Tuesday, January 9th **9:00 a.m.**

Wednesday, January 10th **9:00 a.m.**

Thursday, January 11th **9:00 a.m.**
Sharon Harris - Birthday blessing
Requested by Antonette Harris

Friday, January 12th **9:00 a.m.**
Our Lady of Altagracia Novena

Saturday, January 13th **9:00 a.m.**
Memorial of Saint Hilary, Bishop, Doctor of the Church
Our Lady of Altagracia Novena

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

GIFTS AND INTENTIONS:

Bread and Wine:

Altar Flowers:

Sanctuary Candle:
James Bambara - Blessing

Altar Candle:
Brigitte Bien Aimé - Blessing

Altar Candle:
Leslyn Austin - Blessing and healing

Altar Candle:
Joette Campbell - Blessing

Altar Candle:
Norma Chavannes - Blessing

Annunciation Chapel Candle:

Mary's Chapel Candle:

Saint Joseph's Candle:

"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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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.

Celebrating a Century of Faith and Service
1923 - 2023

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?

Sunday: The Epiphany of the Lord.
Is 60:1-6; Ps 72:1-2, 7-8, 10-13; Eph 3:2-3a, 5-6, Mt 2:1-12.
All nations are invited to sing the Lord's praises (1,Ps) for they have been called to hear the good news (2) and worship the long awaited Messiah and King (3) with the gift of their lives.

Monday: Feast of the Baptism of the Lord.
Is 42:1-4, 6-7; Ps 29:1a, 2, 3ac – 4ab, 9b-10; Mk 1:7-11.
Jesus is the beloved Son of the Father (3). He is the light of the nations (1) and the Lord of all creation (2). To him all glory and praise (Ps)!

Tuesday:
1 Sam 1:9-20; (Ps)1 Sam 2:1, 4-8;Mk i:21-28.
The Lord makes Hanna rich (Ps) blessing her with new life (1). Jesus possesses authority over sickness and death (2).

Wednesday:
1 Sam 3:1-10, 19-20; Ps 40:2, 5, 7-10; Mk 1:29-39.
Samuel hears the word of the Lord (1) and is ready to do God's will (Ps). Jesus heals the sick and proclaims the good news (2).

Thursday:
1 Sam 4:1-11; Ps 44:10-11, 14-15, 26-26. Mk 1:40-45.
Religious piety will not protect Israel against its foes (1, Ps). Jesus is moved by the faith of the leper (2).

Friday:
1 Sam 8:4-7, 10-22a; Ps 89:16-19; Mk 2:1-12. The elders of Israel seek to follow a human (1) rather than a divine (Ps) king. Jesus possesses authority to forgive sins (2).

Saturday: :
1 Sam 9:1-4, 17-19, 10:1a; Ps 21:2-7; Mk 2:13-17.
Samuel anoints Saul as king over the tribes of Israel (1, Ps). Jesus calls Levi (Matthew) to follow him (2).

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Scripture Reflection
Read Sunday's Gospel: Matthew 2:1-12

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

We saw his star at its rising and have come to do him homage. How can I express praise and thanksgiving to God? How can I grow in my love of the Eucharistic liturgy?

When King Herod heard this, he was greatly troubled, and all Jerusalem with him. What people, places, or things cause anxiety and doubt in my heart? How can I grow in my trust of God?

And you, Bethlehem, land of Judah,/ are by no means least among the rulers of Judah. Who are the "least" in my community? How can I reach out to the people on the peripheries?

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

"Besides the times of the year that have their own distinctive character, there remains in the yearly cycle thirty-three or thirty-four weeks in which no particular aspect of the mystery of Christ is celebrated, but rather the mystery of Christ himself is honored in its fullness, especially on Sundays. This period is known as **Ordinary Time**".

Ordinary Time is not very ordinary at all. Ordinary Time, the celebration of Sunday, is the identifying mark of the Christian community which comes together, remembering that on this first day of the week the Lord of Life was raised up and creation came at last to completion. Sunday as a day of prayer and worship is a sacrament of redeemed time.

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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

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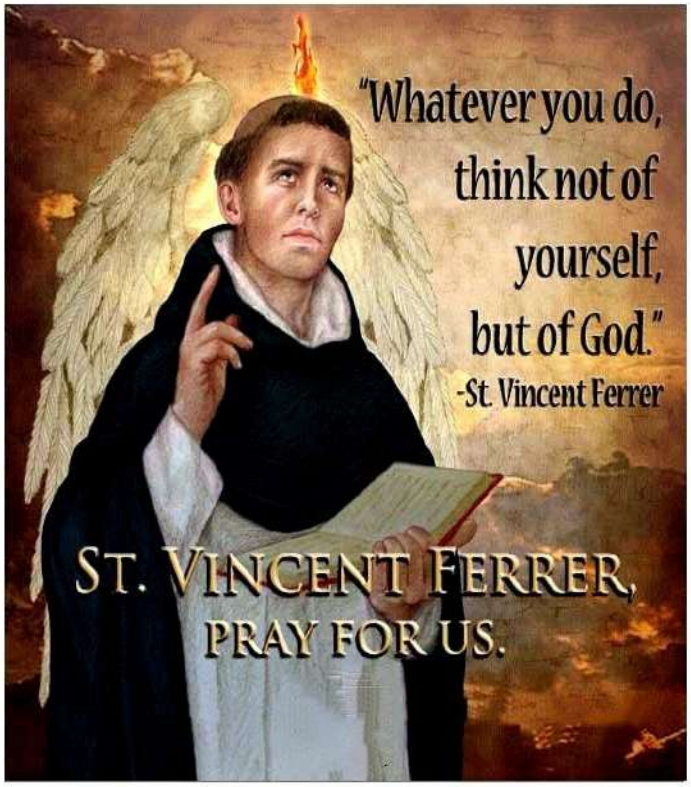

OFFICE HOURS

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.

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**The harvest is abundant;
but the laborers are few.**

Luke 10:2

The Eucharist Is The Heart Of Our Life In Christ

The Diligent Search

[W]hile the magi depart from Jerusalem to "go and search diligently for the child," Herod himself remains seated on his red velvet cushion. The magi continue their thousand-mile trek, but Herod is not curious enough to join them for the final five miles from Jerusalem to Bethlehem to see for himself. "When you have found [the child], bring me word," he commands. Scripture, yes, he has that; but not one ounce the spirit of a scientist. Indeed, he sees [the magi's] quest as dangerous. As threatening the status quo.

So often in our modern world . . . scientific pursuit and religious faith are caricatured as opposing options and we are asked to ally with one or the other. Some say it's impossible nowadays to be a scientist who also is part of a faith community. Some say they've never met a religious person who remains curious and open to pursuing tough questions. . . . [But] close observation of the natural world coupled with rigorous curiosity is a path that we can trust will lead us closer to God, not further away. When we are fearful and afraid of upsetting the status quo, we will be tempted to perch on our own red velvet cushions and look at others who have traveled different paths with suspicion. But when we love and seek truth, wherever and however it is found, we find all paths merge, eventually leading to the same place.

. . . [T]he magi—those seekers from the East, who, upon having their curiosity struck by the rising of a new star, will not stop searching for its meaning, no matter how far they must travel. And pursuing truth wherever it leads, in whatever form it comes, they arrive at the place genuine seekers always inevitably seem to end up: face to face with God.

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Thank You

Happy New Year everyone! The Ministry of Mercy thanks Father Gopaul, staff and parish family for your support and service during the past year. The Ministry of Mercy looks forward to serving you throughout the following year.
Peace, unity and love.

Marie Ange Bernier
On behalf of the Ministry of Mercy

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Second Collection

Diocesan Mission Collection
Next weekend's second collection is the ***Diocesan Mission Collection.*** The revenue from this collection will be used when the Bishop receives appeals from various missions for support from the Diocese of Brooklyn and when mission appeals are requested from the Society of the Immaculate Conception.

The Eucharist is the sum and summary of our faith. CCC 1327

Prayer before a Crèche
Lord Jesus, together with the shepherds
we draw near to your Crib.
We contemplate you, wrapped in swaddling cloths
and lying in the manger.
O Babe of Bethlehem,
we adore you in silence with Mary,
your ever-Virgin Mother.
To you be glory and praise for ever,
Divine Savior of the World! Amen.
—St. John Paul II

Pope Francis' January Intentions

For educators
We pray that educators may be credible witnesses, teaching fraternity rather than competition and helping the youngest and most vulnerable above all.

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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

Schedule for Novena of Our Lady of Altagrace

Friday (1/12): 6:30 pm - Rosary	7:15 - Novena Prayers	8:00 pm - Mass	Rev. Fr. Dumont
Saturday (1/13): 6:30 pm - Rosary	7:15 - Novena Prayers	8:00 pm - Exposition/Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament	Rev. Fr. Michel
Sunday (1/14): 6:30 pm - Rosary	7:15 - Novena Prayers	8:00 pm - Mass	Rev. Fr. Dumont
Monday (1/15): 6:30 pm - Rosary	7:15 - Novena Prayers	8:00 Exposition/Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament	Rev. Fr. H. Berrette
Tuesday (1/16): 6:30 pm - Rosary	7:15 - Novena Prayers	8:00 pm - Exposition/Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament	Rev. Fr. Jomanas
Wednesday (1/17): 6:30 pm - Rosary	7:15 - Novena Prayers	8:00 pm - Mass	Rev. Fr. Michel
Thursday (1/18): 6:30 pm - Rosary	7:15 - Novena Prayers	8:00 pm - Exposition/Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament	Rev. Fr. H. Berrette
Friday (1/19): 6:30 pm - Rosary	7:15 - Novena Prayers	8:00 pm - Mass	Rev. Fr. Jomanas
Saturday (1/20): 6:30 pm - Rosary	7:15 - Novena Prayers	8:00 - Exposition/Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament	Rev. Fr. Michel

Sunday (1/21) - 7:00 pm **Eucharistic Celebration of the Feast of Our Lady of Altagrace**
Celebrant: Rev. Fr. Hugues Berrette
Con-Celebrants: Rev. Fr. Eustache Jomanas, Rev. Fr. Pierre-Louis Michel, Rev. Fr. A.P. Gopaul and Rev. Fr. Gerald Dumont

Total Consecration to Jesus through the Blessed Virgin Mary
on the

Feast of Our Lady of Lourdes

Sunday, February 11, 2024

Preparation for consecration begins
Tuesday, January 9, 2024

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

on the

Feast of the Espousal

Tuesday, January 23, 2024

Preparation for consecration began
Friday, December 22, 2023

On the

Feast of the Presentation of the Lord

Tuesday, February 2, 2024
Preparation began Monday, January 1, 2024

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Our Lady of Altagracia Novena

9:00 a.m.
January 12 - 20, 2023

Eucharistic Celebration

9:00 a.m., January 21, 2023

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Nevèn Notredam Altagrace

De 12 a 20, Janvye, 2023
De 6:30 p.m. a 9:00 p.m.

Celebration Eucharistic

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21 Janvye, 2023

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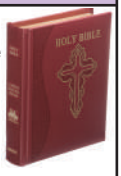

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