SAINT VINCENT FERRER

ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH

INCORPORATED MAY 17TH 1923

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"Just as Moses lifted up the serpent in the desert, so too must the Son of Man be lifted up, so that everyone who believes in him may have eternal life.

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

FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT
MARCH 10TH 2024

MASS INTENTIONS:

Saturday, March 9th **5:00 p.m.**
Cecilia L. Wong - Birthday memorial
Requested by Mary Wong

Sunday, March 10th **8:00 a.m.**
Saint Joseph Novena
Simone Parkins - In thanksgiving, birthday blessing
Requested by Claudia Hooper

11:00 a.m.
The People of Saint Vincent Ferrer Parish - Blessing
Shirley Mercury - Blessing and prosperity
Cecilia de Rodriguez - Birthday blessing
Requested by Cristina Rodriguez-Gillies
Britney Rodriguez - Birthday blessing
Requested by Cristina Rodriguez-Gillies
Chris and Cristina Gillies - Matrimonial anniversary
Melissa Nieves - In memoriam
Requested by Marie Montalvo
Rosaura Rodriguez - In memoriam
Requested by Marie Montalvo
Ruben T. Nurse - Memorial anniversary
Requested by Cristina Rodriguez

Monday, March 11th **9:00 a.m.**
Saint Joseph Novena
Marlene Saunders - In memoriam
Requested on behalf of the Parish

Tuesday, March 12th **9:00 a.m.**
Saint Joseph Novena
Briana Gopaul - Birthday Blessing

Wednesday, March 13th **9:00 a.m.**
Saint Joseph Novena
Mary Barker - In thanksgiving, blessing
Requested on behalf of the Parish

Thursday, March 14th **9:00 a.m.**
Saint Joseph Novena
Marie Charlotin and Family - In thanksgiving to Saint Michael

Friday, March 15th **9:00 a.m.**
Novena for Vocations
Saint Joseph Novena
Marie Charlotin and Family - In thanksgiving to God

Stations of the Cross **7:00 p.m.**

Saturday, March 16th **9:00 a.m.**
Saint Joseph Novena

It behooves us not to judge our brother or sister. Only God knows what we have done and what we failed to do. Only God can judge rightly. All we can do is to ask the Lord to give us sight, and leave the rest to his mercy.
Rachelle Linner © **Give Us This Day**

GIFTS AND INTENTIONS:

Bread and Wine:
Riley and Galatola Families - In memoriam

Altar Flowers:

Sanctuary Candle:

Altar Candle:
Briana Gopaul - Birthday blessing
Requested by Jackie Gopaul

Altar Candle:
Marcia Harrison - Birthday blessing
Requested by Claudia Hooper

Altar Candle:
Mary Anne Muller - Blessing

Altar Candle:
Jontay Bell - Birthday 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

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.

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.
Please make a donation with each request.

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?

Fourth Sunday of Lent:
2 Chr 36:14-6, 19-23; Ps 137:1-6; Eph 2:4-10; Jn 3:14-21.
God pardoned and raises up those who have been unfaithful (1), those who have loved the darkness rather than the light. For God so loved the world that he sent his only son (2, 3) to deliver the world from exile. (Ps)

Monday:
Is 65:17-21; Ps 30:2, 4-6, 11-12a, 13b; Jn 4:43-54;
The prophecy of eschatological hope (1) finds its fulfilment in Jesus who heals and restores to life (2), who rescues us (Ps) from death.

Tuesday:
Ez 47:1-9, 12; Ps 46:2-3,5-6, 8-9; Jn 5:1-16.
From the temple of Zion flows the stream of life-giving water (1,Ps), a symbol of the healing grace of baptism (2).

Wednesday:
Is 49:8-15; Ps 145:8-9, 13c-14, 17-18; Jn 5:17-30.
As a prophet proclaims God's faithful love for his people (1, Ps), so Jesus speaks of his union with his Father (2).

Thursday:
Ex 32:7-14; Ps 106:19-23; Jn 5:31-47.
Moses, who interceded on behalf of the Israelites (1, Ps), will accuse all unbelievers before the Father (2).

Friday:
Wis 2:1a, 12-22; Ps 34:17-21, 23;
Jn 7:1-2, 10, 25-30.
Jesus' enemies begin to plot against him (2). He professes to have knowledge of God (1), and trusts in his love (Ps).

Saturday:
Jer 11:18-20, Ps 7:2-3, 9b-12; Jn 7:40-53.
Some people wish to apprehend Jesus (2). Like a trusting lamb (1), he takes refuge in God his Father (Ps).

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Scripture Reflection
Read Sunday's Gospel: John 3:14-21.

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

For God so loved the world that he gave his only Son. How do I show love to the people in my life? How can I give more generously of myself in sharing God's love?

For God did not send his Son into the world to condemn the world, but that the world might be saved through him. When have I judged and condemned myself too harshly? When have I treated others with condemnation and judgment rather than God's love?

People preferred darkness to light, because their works were evil. What parts of myself do I try to hide from God and others? How can I move beyond shame for my actions and be open to God's mercy?

After a period of silent reflection, recite the Lord's Prayer.
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Grace is when God gives us something we do not deserve.
Mercy is when God does *not* give us what we *do* deserve.

Valerie Schultz . GUTD

Second Collection

Easter Flower Offering
This weekend's second collection is the **Easter Flower Offering.** Kindly return the Easter Flower Offering envelopes with the name of the person or persons to be honored or remembered.

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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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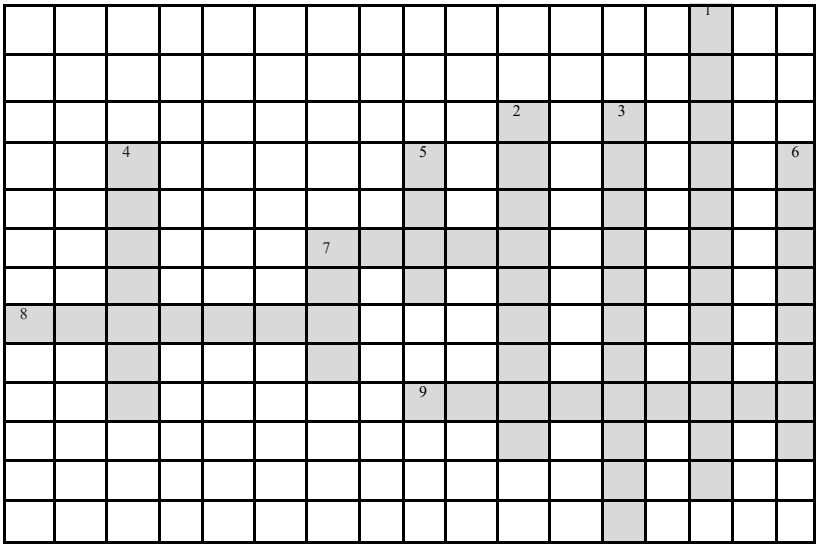
Holy Communion Crossword



Down
1.The blessing of the bread and wine to become Body and Blood of Christ
2.Holy _____ of the Mass
3.Used to clean the vessels
4.Do this in memory me!
5.The plate on which the host is laid
6.Body and blood, soul and _____ of Christ
7.I believe

Across
7.Table of Sacrifice
8.Contains the Precious Blood
9.Liturgy of the _____

Come, Join Us!

Friday's - 7:00 p.m.

To livestream Masses visit
saintvincentferrer.org

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

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

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.

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

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

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.

Lenten Journey to Easter

We walk this Lenten journey
with immigrants and refugees,
lost, unsure of their journey's end,
still longing for a home.

We walk with those in poverty,
unable to live lives of dignity,
besieged by hunger and fear,
trying to hold on day by day.

We walk with those mourning
what is happening to God's creation,
calling us all to better care and stewardship
of the earth, its creatures, and all growing things.

Saint Vincent Ferrer Roman Catholic Church
School of Religious Education

Grades 1-8

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

Pope Francis' March Intentions

For the new martyrs
We pray that those who risk their lives for the Gospel in various parts of the world inflame the Church with their courage and missionary enthusiasm.

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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Name: _____ Home/Cell # _____

Address: _____ City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

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The Eucharist Is The Heart Of Our Life In Christ

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

on the

Solemnity of Saint Joseph,
Spouse of the Blessed Mother

Tuesday, March 19, 2024
Preparation began February 15, 2024

Total Consecration to Jesus through the Blessed Virgin Mary
on the

Solemnity of the Annunciation of the Lord

Monday, April 8, 2024
Preparation for consecration begins
Wednesday, March 6, 2024

An Elemental Love

Today's New Testament readings regale us with that most fundamental of Christian convictions, that we have been loved into existence by a God whose very being is Love overflowing. St. Paul reminds us that "God is rich in mercy, because of the great love he [has] for us." And in the Gospel we find one of the most famous passages in the entire Bible, one often referenced on countless "John 3:16" placards waved by earnest evangelizers at sports events. There is no more central Christian claim, yet the very pervasiveness of this passage can make it difficult for its outrageous assertion to seep into our bones.

However, I experienced (anew) God's outrageous love when I became a grandparent last year. When visiting my new grandchild, Elliot, I saw again the power of love at its most elemental.

As I watched my sleep-deprived daughter-in-law selflessly nursing little Elliot, the Gospel refrain echoed anew . . . *for God so loved the world.*

As I witnessed my son swaying with Elliot in his arms, gently crooning a lullaby . . . *for God so loved the world.*

As I gazed with wonder into his cherubic visage and held him close . . . *for God so loved the world.*

This is our God, drawing us into the Father's divine bosom, bearing us up in Love everlasting.

Richard R. Gaillardetz. GUTD

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Crossword Answers:
Down: 1. Consecration; 2. Sacrifice; 3. Purificator; 4. Command; 5. Paten; 6. Divinity; 7. Amen
Across: 7. Altar; 8. Chalice; 3. Eucharist