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"Whoever is not against us is for us."

Mark 9:

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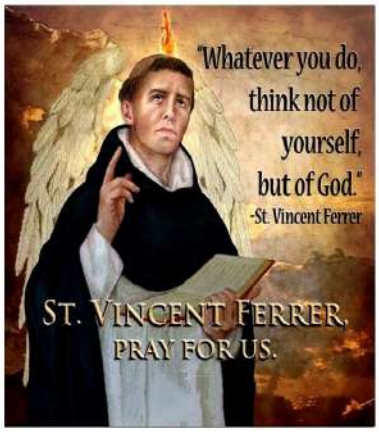

MASS SCHEDULE

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.

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TWENTY-SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
SEPTEMBER 29TH 2024

MASS INTENTIONS:

Saturday, September 28th **5:00 p.m.**
World Day of Migrants and Refugees
Rev. Fr. Dennis J. Farrell - In memoriam
Requester by Margaret and James Bambara

Sunday, September 29th **8:00 a.m.**
World Day of Migrants and Refugees
Petra Kidd - Birthday blessing

11:00 a.m.
World Day of Migrants and Refugees
The People of Saint Vincent Ferrer Parish - Blessing
Dr. Marina Brown - In thanksgiving

Monday, September 30th **9:00 a.m.**
Memorial of Saint Jerome, Priest and Doctor of the Church
Ann Marie St. Pierre-Baron - In memoriam
Requested by Ketty Numa

Tuesday, October 1st **9:00 a.m.**
Memorial of Saint Therese of the Child Jesus , OCD, Doctor of the Church
Charmaine Knight - Birthday blessing

Wednesday, October 2nd **9:00 a.m.**
Memorial of the Holy Guardian Angels
Murielle Elysée - Birthday blessing
Requested by the Elysée Family

Thursday, October 3rd **9:00 a.m.**
Jaylon Newby - Birthday blessing
Requested by Jackie Gopaul and Family

First Friday, October 4th **9:00 a.m.**
Sacred Heart of Jesus/Immaculate Heart of Mary Novena
Memorial of Saint Francis of Assisi, OFM
Blessing of Pets
Shirley Mercury - Birthday blessing

First Saturday, October 5th **9:00 a.m.**
Memorial of Saint Faustina Kowalska, OLM,
Memorial of Blessed Francis Xavier Seelos, CSsR
The people of Haiti - Blessing

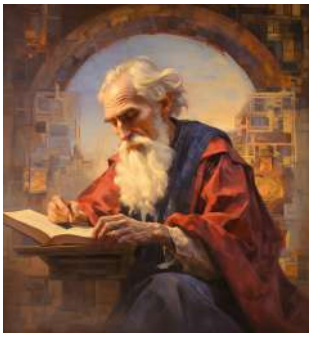
Mass Intentions

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.

GIFTS AND INTENTIONS:

Bread and Wine:
Bishop Robert J. Brennan - In thanksgiving
Altar Flowers:
Bishop Emeritus Nicholas A. DiMarzio - In thanksgiving
Sanctuary Candle:
Rev. Fr. Coman V. Brady - In memoriam
Altar Candle:
Emile Zaua Pswarayi - Birthday blessing
Altar Candle:
Rev. Msgr. Joseph Nugent - In memoriam
Mary's Chapel Candle:

St Joseph's Candle:
Rev. Fr. Raymond Dundon - In memoriam



Saint Jerome (347-420)
Feast Day September 30

Noted for his Latin (Vulgate) translation of the Bible.

"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.

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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?

Twenty-sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time:
Nm 11:25-29; Ps19:8, 10, 12-14; Jas 5:1-6;
Mk 9:38-43, 45, 45-48.
Moses and Jesus both attest to the fact that the work of the Spirit cannot be confined by an institution, and that no one can claim a monopoly on the Spirit charism (1,3) or wisdom (Ps). Beware of growing rich while neglecting the rights and needs of others (2).

Monday:
Jb 1:16-22; Ps 17:1-3, 6-7; Lk 9:46-50.
Job probes the mystery of providence and of human suffering (1). Though tested, he did not sin (Ps). Even the lowest among us is precious in God's sight.

Tuesday:
Jb 3:1-3, 11-17, 20-23; Ps 88:2-8; Lk 9:51-56.
Job cries out to the Lord (Ps), cursing the day of his birth (1). Rather than cursing the Samaritans, Jesus is patient with those who do not accept him (2).

Wednesday:
Jb 9:1-12, 14-16; Ps 88:10b-15; Mt 18:1-5, 10.
How can a mere mortal bring proceedings against an all knowing God (1) whose faithfulness is from old (Ps)? Even the lowest among us is precious in God's sight (2).

Thursday:
Jb 19::21-27; Ps 27:7-9, 13-13; Lk 10:1-12.
Job longs to see God (1) in the land of the living (Ps). Jesus sends fourth the seventy [-two] who proclaim the reign of God (2).

Friday:
Jb 38:1, 12-21; 40:3-5; Ps 139:1-3, 7-10, 13-14.
Lk 10:3 -16.
The Lord is ever near us (Ps). His ways are beyond our understanding (1). Not all will accept the good news (2).

Saturday:
Jb 42:1-3, 5-6, 12-17;
Ps 119:66, 71, 75, 91, 125, 130; Lk 10:17-24.
Job acknowledges his limited understanding when compared to God's eternal wisdom (1, Ps). The mystery of the Father's love is revealed to the disciples.

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

Scripture Reflection
Read Sunday's Gospel: Mk 9:38-43, 45, 47-48

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

There is no one who performs a mighty deed in my name who can at the same time speak ill of me. How should I deal with those who disparage my faith? What deeds am I called to do for my brothers and sisters?

Anyone who gives you a cup of water to drink because you belong to Christ, amen, I say to you, will surely not lose his reward. How do I treat my brothers and sisters in Christ? How can I come to the aid of those who thirst for Christ?

If your hand causes you to sin, cut it off. What sinful habits or behaviors do I need to remove from my life? When have I been the cause of someone else's sin?

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

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Grades 1-8

Registration forms 2024-2025 are available 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, cash or money order only.

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

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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 Eucharist Is The Heart Of Our Life In Christ

A Zero-Sum Game of Love

God doesn't believe in a zero-sum game. The story in Numbers and the beginning of the Gospel today make that clear. One person's gain is not equivalent to another person's loss. There is not one small pie to divide, where my slice diminishes yours.

Both Moses and Jesus know this. Moses refuses to be drawn into the argument. God's Spirit is free to rest on anyone, and its abundance is cause for celebration, not resentment. Jesus is even more clear. Judgment does not depend on some badge of membership, even if the badge is "follower of Jesus." The standard is right action—acts of mercy and love.

In the face of this, the disciples have reason to be anxious. Jesus' words push past the established limits of "who belongs" and "who has the right." In Jesus' eyes, any act of mercy is an extension of his mission of love. Anyone who gives a cup of water to the thirsty out of love, belongs.

So, what do we make of this lack of a zero-sum game of love? Perhaps we are being invited to look around for unlikely allies. It's more difficult than it sounds. Our mindsets and expectations often do not see the possible colleagues and partners there before our eyes. When we look for who belongs, we often look for people who speak like us, who think and look like us. Perhaps if we simply look for partners in human kindness, for people of good will, we might discover it is we who are being welcomed into an incredible, beloved community already around us.

Sr. Pat Kozak, CSJ
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For a shared mission

We pray that the Church continue to sustain in all ways a Synodal lifestyle, as a sign of co-responsibility, promoting the participation, the communion and the mission shared among priests, religious and lay people.

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.

Sister Faustina Kowalska

Feast Day, October 5th

Sister Faustina Kowalska had apparitions of Jesus Christ which inspired devotion to the Divine Mercy, Jesus appeared wearing a white garment with red and pale rays emanating from his heart. Jesus told her to paint an image according to the pattern she saw, with the signature: "Jesus, I trust in You"

Jesus also told her that he wanted the Divine Mercy image to be "solemnly blessed on the first Sunday after Easter Sunday; that Sunday is to be the Feast of Mercy."

To be a Christian, it is not enough to believe, to repeat the Creed each Sunday. "Faith of itself, if it has no works is dead." (Jas 2:17)

Walter J. Burghardt, SJ
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Terror of Demons

on the

Solemnity of All Saints

Friday, November 1, 2024
Preparation begins Monday, September 30, 2024

Total Consecration to Jesus through the Blessed Virgin Mary
on the

Memorial of
Our Lady of the Rosary

Monday October 9, 2024
Preparation began Wednesday, September 4, 2024

Twenty-fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

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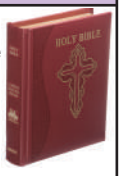

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