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ST. VINCENT MARTYR

Welcome!



SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

JANUARY 14, 2024

My Dear Parishioners,

Well, my dear parishioners, we are back to normal. The Christmas season ended last Sunday night with the feast of the Epiphany. On Monday, we celebrated the Feast of the Baptism of the Lord and Ordinary Time began on that day. I take this opportunity on behalf of Fr. Kris, Fr. Yojan, and Carlos to thank each and every one of you for the generosity you lavished upon us during the Christmas season. The many and varied gifts are greatly appreciated by us. We are blessed to minister to such a caring and appreciative parish of St. Vincent Martyr. I will offer a Mass of Thanksgiving for each of you on Monday, January 22.

On Tuesday, January 2, I was honored to be invited to join the mayor, town council and guests at our Town Hall for the Reorganization meeting. Congratulations to our Mayor Bob Conley for his re-election and to our loyal and dedicated parishioner, John Forte as he was elected Town Councilman. John has a great mind and a great heart and gives generously to the town and parish that has helped to form him. Congratulations to MaryBeth, his wife and to his children, Clara, Andrew and his father-in-law, Joachim. John, we are very proud of you. Be assured of our prayers as you continue to serve our town and parish.

This weekend, our beloved Sr. Noreen and her sister in Christ, Sr. Theresa Bruno, will give a presentation on retired religious. Last Thursday, we celebrated the Feast of Mother Seton. Elizabeth Ann Seton began her life as an episcopalian woman. She came from a very affluent background; she married and raised a family. Upon the sudden death of her husband, she converted to the Catholic faith and began what we now know as the Sisters of Charity. She and her community dedicate their lives to nursing care, parochial schools and educating the working poor. We are blessed here in Madison to be so near to St. Elizabeth University and to have the gift of the Sisters of Charity serving us this many years past. A big thanks to Sr. Noreen Holly, our beloved principal who gives her life and her love to our school and parish. Sr. Noreen comes from County Kerry in Ireland, which is lovingly called the Kingdom, because it is Ireland's most beautiful county. Sister is blessed with Irish humor, wit and most of all, her deep faith in Jesus and Mary. Thank you, Sister, for everything you and your community do with the love and affection of our entire parish and school.

I was delighted to welcome Fr. Kris back on Tuesday from his trip to his family in Poland. While there, he baptized his little niece and it was wonderful that he was able to spend time with his family during the Christmas season. It is nice to have Fr. Kris home, ready and excited to do God's work. Fr. Yojan arrived safely in Marrinilla on Monday morning. He is having a wonderful time with his mother, Martha, his family, and friends. Fr. Yojan works very hard both as Catechetical Director for the diocese and in our parish. He returns in two weeks. We will miss him during these weeks but are glad that he is able to have special time with his family and friends. Carlos arrived home on Friday after spending time with his mother, Luz, father Carlos and family. He has gone right back to seminary school and he and the other seminarians are doing their retreat this weekend. We look forward to seeing him soon.

Our heartfelt appreciation goes to Linda, our organist who will be retiring after over 33 years as St. Vincent Martyr's organist. We had a wonderful party this past week to thank her for her dedication and love. We wish her well in her retirement. Thank you and may God continue to bless you, Linda!

Fr. Yojan

Mass Intentions



- 5:00 pm SATURDAY, JANUARY 13**
Deceased Members of the Bell & Dragone Family, Salvatore Simonelli, Maggie Stickler, Vincent & Catherine Vecchiarelli, Ellen, Michael & Dr. Mary Liston
- 7:00 pm**
For the People of the Parish, Living & Deceased
- 7:15 am SUNDAY, JANUARY 14**
Anna & Michael Chipoletti, Maria Adelina Ferreira
- 9:00 am**
Maria Salvacion Garza, Hedy Axelrod, Roberto Orbe
- 10:30 am**
Charles & Lucy Santucci, Albert Brocaglia, Josephine Paradiso, William O'Brien
- 12:00 pm**
Palmina DeBiasse, Sam & Lucy DeMarzo, Patricia M. Needham
- 5:00 pm**
Joseph DeBari
- 8:30 am MONDAY, JANUARY 15**
Rocco Iossa, Deane Elmlblad
- 12:00 pm**
For the People of the Parish, Living & Deceased
- 8:30 am TUESDAY, JANUARY 16**
Tom Walsh, Toni Chiarolanzio, Robbie Gregorio
- 12:00 pm**
For the People of the Parish, Living & Deceased
- 8:30 am WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 17**
Jean McGuirk, Lucy Santucci, Robert Ward, Diane DeQuinzio
- 12:00 pm**
Gerardo Bledt, Peter Hampson
- 8:30 am THURSDAY, JANUARY 18**
Carmela Lorino
- 12:00 pm**
Thomas Vecchione
- 8:30 am FRIDAY, JANUARY 19**
Deano Elmlblad
- 12:00 pm**
For the People of the Parish, Living & Deceased
- 8:30 am SATURDAY, JANUARY 20**
Maria Adelina Ferreira
- 5:00 pm**
Sebastian & Mary Ardolino, Fran Stiner, Jim Corlett, Mary H. Warshany, Ralph Cervone, Lucy Santucci
- 7:00 pm**
For the People of the Parish, Living & Deceased
- Sunday, January 21**
- 7:15 am**
Maria Adelina Ferreira, Sarah DeProssino, Louis & Jerry Salerno
- 9:00 am**
Joe Strelec, Edmund Russell, William Craig
- 10:30 am**
Dick Williams, Lucy Santucci, Phyllis Paquette, George Gosen, Antonette Martone
- 12:00 pm**
Mary & Nicholas Papa Family, Ann, Frank & Marlene Papa, Rocco Iossa
- 5:00 pm**
Kelly Esposito

Sacraments

... A TIME TO BE BORN

Graham Bryan Anderson, Sloane Eleanor Anderson, Gina Elizabeth Crimmins and Filomena Rossiello baptized on December 23, 2023
Alaina Ro Carranza and Aidan Stephen O'Loughlin baptized on December 31, 2023
Liam Marco Garcia, John Daniel Lyons and Carter Santino Mason baptized on January 7, 2024



...A TIME TO HEAL

Ira Vosper, Andrew Vaccaro, Kevin Conroy, Tom Farley, Jackie Kruger, Gloria Thomas, Aida Corvelli, Carol Jarmen, Bonnie Riley, Alice Giordano, Jake Mocko, Lucyena Vermont, Patricia DeRiggi, Richard Galterio, Dante Gianfortune, Peggy Dellanno, Joan Graziano, Sadie Lynn Harrigan, Bobbie Murphy, Marilyn Rand, Carmela & Hal Moeller, Diego Benitez, Christopher Dyer, Christine Drew

...A TIME OF GREAT JOY

Vincent James Pedulla & Carolyn Emily Cochran married on December 29, 2023
Matthew Damian Tuorto & Lindsay Mae Sullivan married on December 31, 2023
Eric Daniel Meyer and Domenica Mousa married on January 5, 2024



... A TIME TO DIE

Donald Rasweiler, Domenica D'Addio



The Altar Bread & Wine is in Memory of
Kazimierz Walczak
for the Week of January 14-20

PARISH OFFICE HOURS

The office is closed on Monday, January 15 in observance of Martin Luther King, Jr. Day

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Parish Vision Statement

Our Vision: St. Vincent Martyr, a Roman Catholic community where all are welcome and belong, is growing our faith in Jesus Christ, and personally moved by the Spirit, is bringing love, mercy, compassion, and justice into the world.

MASS PRESIDERS SCHEDULE

SATURDAY, JANUARY 20

5:00 pm—Fr. Owen / 7:00 pm—Guest

SUNDAY, JANUARY 21

7:15 am—Fr. Owen / 9:00 am—Fr. Owen /
10:30 am—Fr. Owen / 12:00 pm—Fr. Owen /
5:00 pm—Fr. Owen

Mass Schedule

Saturday—8:30 am, 5:00 pm, 7:00 pm (Spanish)

Sunday—7:15 am, 9:00 am, 10:30 am

12:00 pm, 5:00 pm

Daily Mass

Monday-Friday 8:30 am, 12:00 noon; Saturday 8:30 am

Reconciliation Saturday

7:45 am First Saturday; 4:00-4:30 pm,

6:00-6:45 pm (Spanish)

Holy Days of Obligation

6:30 am, 8:30 am

12:00 pm, 7:00 pm, 8:00 pm (Spanish Mass)

Stewardship

Today's gospel truly speaks to the calling of Jesus' first disciples. Jesus takes the initiative to call us into a relationship with Him. It is up to us how we respond. When He asks, "what are you looking for?" we must discern what it is that we are searching for. Our relationship with God is a direct result of listening and heeding God's call to follow. Are we too busy? Is now not a good time? But if not Now, When? We can either heed the call or turn a deaf ear. We must fine tune our hearing and respond humbly to His call.

The telling of the time that this occurred at 4:00 in the afternoon is significant. The disciples do not forget the significance of that moment. Don't we all remember the place and time of the significant events in our lives? Where were you on 9/11? You never forget the event and you are never the same as long as you live. As with the disciples, it is with us. We, too, must listen and say yes like the disciples to bear witness to Jesus and to recognize that we will follow and bring others to the perfect relationship with Him.



Top row, from left: Brother Charles Douglas, SSJ, 88; Sister Marianna Danko, SSMI, 80; Father James Day, OSST, 77.
Bottom row, from left: Sister Celeste Burgos, MHSH, 79; Sister Brenda Cherry, OSP, 84.

The Retirement Fund for Religious Appeal is January 13th and 14th, 2024

You can help. "Religious are blessed to serve," says Dominican Father Bertrand Ebben, age 90. Please donate to the Retirement Fund for Religious next week. Your gift will provide essential care for nearly 25,000 senior sisters, brothers and religious order priests who have dedicated their lives to serving others. Let us show our gratitude to these selfless individuals by giving generously.

HOPE HOUSE FOOD COLLECTION



Next weekend is our food collection for Hope House, Dover. Items such as cold cereal, oatmeal, coffee, tea, jelly, rice, pasta, tomato products, canned vegetables, soups, peanut butter, paper products and more. Please drop off at the church garage between 9-5 on January 20 & 21. Thank you for your continued generous support!

HOPE HOUSE THANKS YOU!

December 29, 2023

Fr. Owen Moran
St. Vincent Martyr
26 Green Village Road
Madison, NJ 07940

Dear Fr. Moran:

On behalf of the Board of Trustees, the staff and our clients, I gratefully acknowledge donations made by your Parish on 9/18/23, 10/23/23, 11/20/23, and 12/18/23 of 4,850 lbs. of groceries for the Hope House Food Pantry. It is through the kindness and compassion of friends like you that allow us to *"provide help, and create hope"* for those in need.

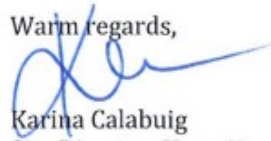
Through your benevolence, Catholic Charities in the Diocese of Paterson makes a difference in the lives of thousands of people each day. Catholic Family and Community Services, Straight and Narrow, and the Department for Persons with Disabilities strive to provide services to people in need, advocate for justice, and call to people of good will to do the same.

Hope House services are extended to many members of the community and our staff is committed to helping people in need. Supporting clients in their personal struggle to make a better life takes a commitment to the person and not the problem. The result is not simply a stronger individual or family, but rather a stronger community. In the end, a stronger community is the measure of a successful community-based social service agency.

Hope House is stronger and better able to serve the community because of you. We could not reach out to so many if you had not reached out to us. All of us at the Catholic Charities, Diocese of Paterson Family, thank you for your generosity and for your continued support and kindness.

Thank you again for your donation.

Warm regards,



Karina Calabuig
Site Director, Hope House

FIRST FRIDAYS OF THE MONTH



In XVII century, Jesus asked a French nun, St. Margaret Mary Alacoque, to promote devotion to His Sacred Heart on the first Fridays of the month. Following this request, we have introduced to our parish all day long adoration of the Blessed Sacrament. Adoration will begin at 9 am and end with benediction at 6 pm, with a break for the noon Mass, on every first Friday of the month. While sign-up is not mandatory, we would like to ask those who plan on attending this prayer time to please sign up at the entrances of the church or through the sign-up genius on our parish website as the Blessed Sacrament cannot be unattended. More information is on our website. Thank you.

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0844AAA62AA2FAC61-46815204-january#/>

Schedule for First Fridays Adorations of the Blessed Sacrament:

February 2, March 1, April 5, May 3, June 7

Sacred Heart of Jesus, pray for us!

Alpha 6 Begins in February!



We will begin our 6th Alpha Experience this February. Our 11 sessions will be held weekly.

Feb. 15, 22, 29, Mar. 7, 14, 21, Apr. 4, 11, 18, May 2

In-person with dinner at 6:30 PM

We are happy to partner with the Presbyterian Church of Chatham Township again this year!

WHY ATTEND THE ALPHA COURSE?

Alpha provides an opportunity to look at faith with a beginners mind.

Alpha discussions bring us closer to others in our parish and community.

Alpha gives faithful Catholics a path and a language to fulfill their baptismal call to evangelize.

Alpha time together on Thursday evenings begins with fellowship and ends the week with an upbeat experience of community.

WHAT IS THE ALPHA COURSE?

The ALPHA Course is a series of sessions designed to explore the Christian faith in a welcoming, nonjudgmental environment. Each session includes an engaging video, and then small group discussion. There is no obligation to say anything... and there is nothing you cannot say!

Visit our website for more information and to register. <https://www.svmnj.org/alpha> or scan



KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

"To All Men of The Parish - The Knights of Columbus of the Dr. McDowell Council of Madison and Florham Park invite you to an informational meeting to learn more about our group. The Knights of Columbus offers men a place to lead their families and communities and put their Faith into Action. Through our activities we strive to make a meaningful difference in our Parishes and our Communities. Please join us, learn more, and talk to some of our members.

When: Tuesday, January 16th

Time: 7:00 p.m.

Where: The Knights of Columbus Hall

The hall is located on the property of Holy Family Parish
Tucker Street - Between Orchard and Briarwood Roads in Florham Park

Hope To See You there!



MARCH FOR LIFE

Join fellow parishioners for the annual
March for Life in Washington DC

Friday, January 19, 2024

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Julie McGurn: mcgurn.julie@gmail.com

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witnesses to God's never-failing grace and love."*

-- Bishop Kevin Sweeney



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BEREAVEMENT MINISTRY SUPPORT GROUP

Open to parish members over the age of 18 who are interested in sharing prayer, music and fellowship. The group meets monthly in the Parish Center unless otherwise noted. The upcoming meeting dates are Mon. Feb. 5, Tues., Mar. 5, Tues., Apr. 9, Mon. May 6 and Mon. June 3** at 6 pm (**meeting in Church).

Interested participants can email: svmbereavement@gmail.com or call 973-520-7221 to sign up and for more information.



SVM YOUTH MINISTRY APPALACHIA HELP WEEKS ARE SEEING SOME CHANGES

Changes are taking place with the St. Vincent Martyr Youth Ministry's Appalachia Help Weeks Program this year. We began this ministry in 2009 under the leadership of Fred Mercadante and will continue to work with Fred as the President of Certain Place Ministries (CPM). Certain Place Ministries is now the operator of the Appalachia Help Weeks and on November 3, 2023 CPM became its own tax-exempt non-profit entity. This will bring some changes to the program; however, much will remain the same on our end. It is important that all parishioners know and understand this new way of offering the Appalachia Help Weeks. Detailed information can be found on our parish web site. Go to www.svmnj.org, click on "Learn", followed by "Appalachia" in the drop-down box. **All registration fees and donations will now be made to Certain Place Ministries and not St. Vincent Martyr Parish.** This can be done directly on line or by mail. The mailing address is listed below. Donors will receive acknowledgment of their tax-exempt gift by Certain Place Ministries. St. Vincent Martyr Youth Ministry and Parish will continue its strong partnership with Fred and CPM in the operations of our Appalachia Help Weeks program. Thank you in advance for your continued support and feel free to contact Anne Marie Gisoldi at Annemarie.gisoldi@svmnj.org or 973-377-4000x 300 or Fred directly at fredmercadante@gmail.com.

Certain Place Ministries
16608 N. 56th Place
Scottsdale, AZ 85254.

YOUTH MINISTRY



1. The winter alpha team will meet on Sunday, Jan. 14th at 7:00 pm in the youth center.
2. The March Antioch team will meet in the youth center on Tuesday, Jan.16th from 7-9pm.
3. The 10th grade youth gathering, Rite of Creed, is on Sunday, Jan 22nd as listed on your calendar. Please arrive between 9:20-9:30 am as the session will begin promptly at 9:30 am in the gym and conclude with parents participating with their teen for the Rite at the 10:30 am liturgy in church. Parents, please meet your teen at 10:25 am at the church.

MOMS WITH LITTLE ONES

Calling all moms (and caretakers) with babies and toddlers to join our Moms with Little Ones group for a fun bi-weekly get together. This group is a great way to make new friends within our SVM and Madison community. The group meets currently on Tuesday mornings below the Parish offices.

Please text Christine at 908-752-3416 for further information and to be included on the email list of when and where the gatherings take place. We have so many kid friendly activities planned! We welcome you to join us.

BIBLE STUDY FAITH SHARING

Please consider joining the Sunday Night Bible Study Group this winter for 'The Holy Spirit' booklet by Fr. Mitch Pacwa on Sunday evenings from 6 to 8 pm at various parishioners homes on January 14/21/28 and February 4/11/18/25. Books will be provided once you register with Christine Farner at 973-593-9243 or christinefarner@yahoo.com



Christmas Flower Memorials

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CHRISTMAS OUTREACH 2023

Once again, I am immensely grateful to you, the community of St. Vincent Martyr, for your generous support of the 2023 Christmas Outreach. On Thanksgiving weekend, we hung 650 tags on the Giving Tree. The tags contained gift requests from 7 organizations within our diocese as well as 35 local families or individuals. The parish community's response was immediate and overwhelmingly generous and helped ensure that on Friday December 15 and Saturday December 16 we were able to distribute over 900 gifts to the organizations and families to help make their Christmas a joy-filled one. In addition, over \$ 3,500 was donated to the Social Ministry to be used for the Outreach.

A thousand thanks to everyone who supported the Outreach either by contributing gifts or by making a financial donation to the Social Ministry – your kindness and generosity is much appreciated. A thousand thanks to the individuals and families who adopted a local family and fulfilled their requests (9 families in all were adopted) – your generosity ensured that the family/families you adopted was able to enjoy a very special Christmas this year.

Finally, there is no way that the Outreach could have run so smoothly without the help of a number of hardworking elves. Thanks to Barbara Eutsler who helped cut the tags, to Allison Zarinko and Angie O'Dell who helped hang the tags on the tree, and to Sharon Sage who typed up the announcements that went into the bulletin each week.

A special thank you to Tom Kenny and Randal Matthis for making sure the Christmas trees were in the north and south vestibules and that there were tables in the St. Christopher Room and in the Community Room for the gift sorting and bagging. Thanks too, to Barbara Eutsler, Angie O'Dell, Kathy Rowan, Taylor Buckley, Susan Petrocco, Barb Parker, Becky Mascolo, Pam Berstler and Marty Salerno, Victoria Cooney, Kristen Machat. Anne Scarcella, Allison Zarinko, Adrian Buckley, the students at St. Vincent Martyr School and their parents who gave up their time on Sunday December 10 to help transport gifts from the church to the Community Room, write Christmas Cards, and sort, bag and move the bagged gifts to the St. Christopher Room. I am eternally grateful to Pam Berstler and Susan Petrocco who gave up their Wednesday to shop for, and wrap, outstanding gifts.

The combined assistance of all the many parish elves helped make the 2023 Outreach a resounding success and a truly joy-filled experience. Thank you!

May the coming year be filled with love, joy, peace, and God's abundant blessings,
Jeanne Buckley

San Vicente Mártir

14 de enero de 2024
Experiencia Hispana

Mis queridos feligreses,

Bueno, queridos feligreses, volvemos a la normalidad. La temporada navideña finalizó la noche del pasado domingo con la fiesta de la Epifanía. El lunes celebramos la Fiesta del Bautismo del Señor y ese día comenzó el Tiempo Ordinario. Aprovecho esta oportunidad en nombre del P. Kris, P. Yojan y Carlos para agradecerles a todos y cada uno de ustedes por la generosidad que nos brindaron durante la temporada navideña. Apreciamos mucho los numerosos y variados obsequios. Tenemos la suerte de ministrar a una parroquia tan solidaria y agradecida de San Vicente Mártir. Ofreceré una Misa de Acción de Gracias para cada uno de ustedes el lunes 22 de enero.

El martes 2 de enero, tuve el honor de ser invitado a unirme al alcalde, al concejo municipal y a los invitados a nuestra reunión del Ayuntamiento para la Reorganización. Felicitaciones a nuestro alcalde Bob Conley por su reelección y a nuestro leal y dedicado feligrés, John Forte, quien fue elegido concejal de la ciudad. John tiene una gran mente y un gran corazón y da generosamente al pueblo y a la parroquia que ha ayudado a formarlo.

Felicitaciones a MaryBeth, su esposa y a sus hijos, Clara, Andrew y su suegro, Joachim. John, estamos muy orgullosos de ti. Tenga la seguridad de nuestras oraciones mientras continúa sirviendo a nuestra ciudad y parroquia.

Este fin de semana, nuestra querida Hna. Noreen y su hermana en Cristo, Hna. Theresa Bruno, darán una presentación sobre los religiosos jubilados. El jueves pasado celebramos la Fiesta de la Madre Seton. Elizabeth Ann Seton comenzó su vida como mujer episcopal. Ella provenía de una familia muy acomodada; se casó y formó una familia. Tras la repentina muerte de su marido, se convirtió a la fe católica y fundó lo que hoy conocemos como las Hermanas de la Caridad. Ella y su comunidad dedican sus vidas a la atención de enfermería, las escuelas parroquiales y la educación de los trabajadores pobres. Tenemos la suerte de estar tan cerca de St. Elizabeth University aquí en Madison y de tener el don de las Hermanas de la Caridad sirviéndonos durante tantos años. Un gran agradecimiento a la Hna. Noreen Holly, nuestra querida directora que da su vida y su amor a nuestra escuela y parroquia. La Hna. Noreen viene del Condado de Kerry en Irlanda, al que cariñosamente se le llama el Reino porque es el condado más hermoso de Irlanda. La hermana está bendecida con el humor irlandés, el ingenio y, sobre todo, su profunda fe en Jesús y María. Gracias Hermana por todo lo que usted y su comunidad hacen con el amor y cariño de toda nuestra parroquia y escuela.

Tuve el placer de darle la bienvenida al P. Kris regresó el martes de su viaje con su familia en Polonia. Mientras estuvo allí, bautizó a su pequeña sobrina y fue maravilloso poder pasar tiempo con su familia durante la temporada navideña. Es bueno tener al P. Kris en casa, listo y emocionado por hacer la obra de Dios. P. Yojan llegó sano y salvo a Marinilla el lunes por la mañana. Está pasando un tiempo maravilloso con su madre, Martha, su familia y amigos. P. Yojan trabaja muy duro como Director Catequético de la diócesis y de nuestra parroquia. Regresa en dos semanas. Lo extrañaremos durante estas semanas, pero nos alegra que pueda pasar un tiempo especial con su familia y amigos. Carlos llegó a casa el viernes después de pasar tiempo con su madre, Luz, su padre Carlos y su familia. Ha regresado al seminario y él y los demás seminaristas harán su retiro este fin de semana. Esperamos verlo pronto.

Nuestro más sincero agradecimiento a Linda, nuestra organista que se jubilará después de más de 33 años como organista de San Vicente Mártir. Tuvimos una fiesta maravillosa la semana pasada para agradecerle por su dedicación y amor. Le deseamos lo mejor en su jubilación. ¡Gracias y que Dios te siga bendiciendo Linda!



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