

Saint Vincent de Paul

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Liturgy Schedule

Saturday 5:00 pm Vigil
Sunday: 9:00 am
Monday, Wednesday, Friday: 8:30 am
Holy Day Vigil: 7:00 pm
Holy Day: 8:30 am, and 7:00 pm
Confessions: Saturday 3:30 - 4:30 pm or
any time by appointment

Baptisms are Sundays at 1:00 pm. Prior scheduling and Parent Preparation Class are required.

Novena to the Sacred Heart is prayed every Friday after the 8:30 am Mass.

Rosary is prayed at 8:05 am Monday-Wednesday-Friday.

Eucharistic Adoration is held on Saturdays, 3:30 - 4:30 pm.

Chaplet of Divine Mercy and Benediction is on the First Sunday of the month at 3:00 pm.

Marriages require a six month preparation period by Diocesan policy. Call one of the parish priests prior to setting a date.

Funerals: Arrangements are to be made at the Parish Office before publication of the death notice.

Ministry to those who are Sick or Shut-In

Our Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion can bring the Eucharist to those parishioners who are ill, recovering from a hospital stay, shut-in, or otherwise unable to attend the Liturgies each Sunday. Please call the Parish Office to be placed on the schedule.

Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA) is the process by which adults are brought into the Catholic Faith through the Sacraments of Baptism, Confirmation and Eucharist. The RCIA meets weekly from September through April. Further information can be obtained by calling the Parish Office.

New Parishioners are always welcome. Please stop by the Parish Office to register at your earliest convenience. Thank you for joining St. Vincent de Paul Parish.



**MONDAY, December 21, St. Peter Canisius**

8:30 am Bill Malloy

TUESDAY, December 22, Late Advent Weekday

8:30 am No Mass

WEDNESDAY, December 23, St. John of Kanty

8:30 am Finucan & Passafiume Families

THURSDAY, December 24, Late Advent Weekday

5:00 pm Vigil of Christmas

10:00 pm Vigil of Christmas

FRIDAY, December 25, Nativity of the Lord

9:00 am Christmas Day Mass

SATURDAY, December 26, St. Stephen, Martyr

5:00 pm Kelly-Stefancin Families

SUNDAY, December 27, The Holy Family of Jesus Mary and Joseph

9:00 am Matthew Keenan (Anniv.)

**CHRISTMAS JOY**

The promise of joy is in the air. We celebrate the time when God's promise of peace begins to be fulfilled. Do we believe that our believing this promise can lighten the darkness and lessen the evil that surrounds us and fill our world? Let God's love fill you, Christ's light shine through you, and the peace of the spirit surround you so clearly that people say of you and me, "Blessed are you who believe that what was spoken to us by the Lord would be fulfilled." Make clear that God is with us.

CHRISTMAS TICKET REMINDER

With the continuing need to observe social distancing and other safety protocols due to the COVID pandemic, just a reminder about our tickets for Masses on Christmas Eve and Day. These tickets will help us to count the number of people who are gathering as well as maintain that necessary distancing and other safety protocols. Just a few notes regarding the tickets: **Please contact the Parish Office regarding availability of tickets prior to Wednesday, December 23rd.** Please note the Parish Office will close on Thursday, Christmas Eve at Noon and reopen on Monday, December 28th at 9:30 am and close on Thursday, New Year's Eve at Noon and reopen on Monday, January 4th at 9:30 am.

LIVE-STREAM REMINDER

The live-stream of the Mass may be viewed on our website! [Go to www.svdpcleveland.org/watchMass.](http://www.svdpcleveland.org/watchMass)

**IN GRATITUDE**

As every year, the St. Vincent de Paul Parish family of Food Pantry volunteers with the support of suburban parishes, has been very generous in their compassionate giving to the poor. Likewise, your generous Christmas envelopes every year help us to maintain our parish and its ministries. Thank you for remembering St. Vincent de Paul this Christmas. God bless you for your generosity and faith!

OPLATKI—TRADITIONAL CHRISTMAS WAFERS

Are available at the East entrance of the church (candle area). Supply is limited. Requested donation is \$2.00 per envelope.

WE REMEMBER IN PRAYER

Our ill and homebound faith community members, all those serving in the Armed Forces, deceased parishioners and friends, and all who have been commended to our prayers. " *May we always be diligent in prayer and seeking God's will. May we persist in our asking for the Holy Spirit to guide us and strengthen us in all we do.*"

BE AN ANGEL THIS SEASON & WITNESS TO THE GOOD NEWS

Reach out to people in need this season, amid the clamor of commercialism. Remember that all of us are exposed to the same marketing noise, regardless of our socioeconomic standing.

OFFERTORY REPORT not available at this printing.



Dear Parish Family,

On behalf of myself and our entire parish staff here at St. Vincent de Paul, I wanted to extend to each and every one of you our prayers and wishes for a Merry Christmas and a Blessed New Year!

It has been a very interesting year, to say the least. Since right around St. Patrick's Day, we have faced either a total pause of the celebration of public Mass or limited attendance. As public Mass resumed back in May, some have joined around the altar once again, while many others have continued to watch the celebration of Mass and other prayer opportunities via our live-stream. I want to take the opportunity to thank Tommy Borawski for all the generous time and effort he has put into making our live-streams possible. You can find these live-streams right on our parish's website and YouTube pages and they'll also be linked on our Facebook pages. I hope that this has helped those who've chosen, out of an abundance of safety and caution, to remain home, to continue to feel connected to our parish family. All of us here at St. Vincent de Paul can't wait until the day where we can all finally join together around the altar once again!

Through all the uncertainty of this year, through all the challenges and difficulties, through all of the changes and sacrifices, one thing, one reality has remained consistent and that is the message of the Christmas season, **GOD IS WITH US**. God is with us through it all. When Mary & Joseph welcomed their newborn son into the world, the Son of God, he didn't just remain with us for a few years and then go back up to heaven. The reality of the Incarnation that we celebrate in the days of Christmas reminds us that God is with us at all times. Even when our world and our lives are disrupted by global pandemic, God's presence is with us always. The pandemic has affected our lives in so many ways, but God has never left, God has never abandoned us.

Please know that I have been remembering our entire parish family in my daily prayers and I would invite and encourage you to do the same. We may not all be able to gather together in our church building just yet, but we can still be united together in prayer. Reach out to one another, support one another and hopefully soon the light will appear at the end of the tunnel.

Once again, a blessed Christmas and New Year to each and every one of you and your families. Let's

stay together, united in faith as we journey through this extraordinary time in history. Thank you for your continued support and generosity to our parish as well, please continue to remember us in your Christmas offerings. God be with you all!

Fr. John Pfeifer
Pastor, St. Vincent de Paul

10 FREE GIFTS FOR CHRISTMAS

1. The gift of LISTENING. Why not give this valuable gift to someone who lives alone? And you must really listen. No interrupting, no daydreaming, no planning your responses. Just listen.
2. The gift of SIGNS OF AFFECTIONS. Be generous with your hugs, kisses, and gentle squeezes of the hand. Let these tiny actions demonstrate the love inside YOU.
3. The gift of a NOTE. It can be as simple as "I love you" or as creative as a sonnet. Put your notes where they will surprise your loved ones.
4. The gift of LAUGHTER. Just cut out a cartoon, save a clever article. Your gift will say, "I love to laugh with you."
5. The gift of a COMPLIMENT. A simple "You look good in blue" or "I like your hair" or "Good supper, honey" can be of greatest value to those who may feel they are being taken for granted.
6. The gift of a FAVOR. Help with the dishes, clean out the basement, etc.
7. The gift of LEAVING ALONE. There are times in our lives when we want nothing better than to be left alone. Become more sensitive to those times and give solitude.
8. The gift of a CHEERFUL DISPOSITION. Try to be cheerful around those you love especially.
9. The gift of a GAME. Offer to play your loved one's favorite game. Even if you lose, you'll be a winner.
10. The gift of PRAYER. Pray for those on your Christmas list and let them know that you pray for them. Praying for someone is a way of saying, "You are so special to me that I talk to God about you."
—CCU Life



"When we recall Christmas past, we usually find that the simplest things—not the great occasions give off the greatest glow of happiness."

—Bob Hope

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