

# The Catholic Community of St. Vincent de Paul

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**Masses:** Saturday Vigil at 3:45 p.m., Sunday at 8:30 a.m.

Tuesday at 9:00 a.m., Thursday at 12 noon, First Friday at 9 a.m.

**Parish Summer Office Hours:** Monday, Tuesday, and Thursday, 9 a.m. to 12 noon  
Closed Wednesday and Friday

**Reconciliation:** Available before 3:45 p.m. Mass weekly; seasonal communal services

**Sacrament of the Sick:** Celebrated communally several times yearly and upon request

**Parish Registration, Baptism and Marriage preparation:** Please contact the Parish Office.

Engaged couples need to contact the parish at least SIX months before the proposed wedding date.

Godparents must be confirmed practicing Catholics over 16 years old.

**Faith Formation and Youth Ministry:** Please contact the Parish Office or check website for registration.



## Parish Staff

Rev. Joseph Arockiasamy, *Pastor*

Gary Surman, *Deacon*

Kathy Burgin, *Music Director*

Rachael Surman Rys, *Office Manager*

Veronica Schmidt-Henzler, *Bookkeeper*

Karen Brueck, *Trustee*

Connie Vrooman, *Trustee*

Deb McAllister, *Faith Formation Facilitator*

Greg Rys, *Campus Ministry, SUNY Cobleskill*

Patrick Kilpeck, *Youth Ministry*

*Please access our website*

**[stvincentdepaulcobleskillny.com](http://stvincentdepaulcobleskillny.com)**

*for more detailed information about our parish,  
Sacramental and Liturgical celebrations,  
committees, parish events, and  
Prayer and Scripture groups,*

*and for Parish/Faith Formation registration forms.*

## PRAYER AND WORSHIP

**Masses:** Saturday at 3:45 pm, Sunday at 8:30 am

**Daily Mass:** Tuesday at 9 am, Thursday at 12 noon

**First Friday:** 9 am at St. Vincent, 12 noon at St. Joseph

### Weekend of June 27-28

**Richard Bratu**

**Lawrence DeSanto** req. by his mother Pauline

**Thomas J. Dougherty** req. by Irene Dooley Garner

**Jane Frees** req. by John and Joan Rose

**Claudia Hummel** req. by Leo and Marie McAllister

**Herbie Vrooman** req. by Sr. Connie James

### Weekend of July 4-5

**Janet E. Boyle** req. by her husband George

**Stephen Lorence, Jr.** req. by Anne & Gary DeSormeau

**Ronald Ruland** req. by Rose Marie Joyce

**Carsten Sibbern** req. by his wife Rosemary

**Herbie Vrooman** req. by Rose Marie Joyce

**Herta Mary Vrooman** req. by Joan Leppig

We are able to open up to 25% of our capacity, which is 50 people per Mass.

Parishioners need to register each week to attend Mass. To register, please email the church at a new email address set up for this purpose:  
**stvincentcobleskill@gmail.com**  
by Wednesday.

The first 50 people to register for each Mass will be posted on the Mass Registration tab of our website by Thursday and can attend that Mass. If you are not one of the first 50 to register, your name will be placed on the list for next week.

*The Bishop's suspension of obligation to attend Mass is still in effect. Please do not come to church if you or a family member is ill or has had contact with someone who is ill. Please feel free to continue to participate in Mass online or through SCHOPEG, especially if you are elderly or have any health conditions.*

All prayer services, Scripture study, Faith Formation, and other worship gatherings remain cancelled at this time.

In addition, all classes, meetings, programs, and social gatherings are also cancelled until further notice.

## Stewardship

### Offertory Collection June 20-21:

Regular: \$3868.00

Utility Fund: \$150.00

Catholic Communications: \$50.00

Average monthly offertory needed to cover net operating expenses: \$13,661.52. Current total for June: \$12489.00.

### THANK YOU for your generosity!

## Parish Office Information

The parish office will be open Mondays, Tuesdays, and Thursdays from 9 am to 12 noon this summer. If you wish to come to the office for any purpose, PLEASE CALL FIRST to make an appointment, then call when you arrive so you can be let in. All business will be conducted in the hall, maintaining social distancing. Only staff members will be allowed in the office itself. Please wear a mask; if you do not have one, we have some disposable masks available. Thank you for your consideration of the staff's health and safety!

We offer our condolences and deepest sympathy to the family of Ron Ruland, who passed away this past week.

Fr. Joe is offering daily mass at St. Vincent's on Tuesdays at 9 am, Thursdays at 12 noon, and First Fridays at 9 am.

## Golden Rules

1. Wash your hands with soap and sanitize often
2. Keep a distance of six (6) feet from each other
3. Wear a face mask
4. Avoid touching anything

\*If you or someone you have contact with are sick, please DO NOT come to Mass or the parish office. \*



## GOSPEL MEDITATION

### ENCOURAGE DEEPER UNDERSTANDING OF SCRIPTURE

When we were baptized, we were baptized into Christ's death. Take a moment to ponder these profound words. We were baptized into death. In every sense of the word, we are asked to die. This is not just about our final death but about daily deaths due to inconvenience, discomfort, pain, loss, or others' needs. This is an incredible epiphany given the way we very often approach our lives. We do everything to avoid death, let alone encounter it! Many avoid pain, discomfort, inconvenience, uneasiness, change, interference, and suffering of any kind. We put a lot of energy into finding the easiest and least inconvenient way through many things. Even holding the door open for a stranger or saying hello to someone in the store can be major undertakings.

We are called to die. One of the biggest wake-up calls we can have is realizing that life is not about us! There are millions of other people sharing life on this planet with whom I have a relationship. Does my life celebrate those relationships? The most distracting question we can ask is, "What do I want to do?" The more focused, faith-filled question is, "What do I need to do?" What I need to do



may not be what I want to do. However, asking this question more frequently will teach us how to more purposefully and intentionally live so we can be a life giving vessel for others. When we learn to live more sacrificially, to put the needs of others before our own, and to not always seek our own self-interest, we become aware of what baptism into Christ's death is really all about. These are the roots of virtue and the seedbed for justice, tolerance, solidarity, love, and peace.

Learning how to accept all the "small deaths" and sacrifices life calls us to teaches us how

to approach our final death. All deaths ask us to empty ourselves into something or someone else. Whether we empty ourselves into the heart and soul of another human being or empty ourselves into God at the moment of our final death, new life is always received and nurtured. A heart that exclusively seeks its own interest is a heart that is closed to love. A heart that pours itself out to others and is content with being emptied is a heart that has been touched by and open to mercy. It is a heart that overflows with joy.

*"Whoever loves father or mother more than me is not worthy of me, and whoever loves son or daughter more than me is not worthy of me; and whoever does not take up his cross and follow after me is not worthy of me." - Mt 10:37-38*

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