

The Catholic Community of St. Vincent de Paul

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Mass Registration Email: stvincentcobleskill@gmail.com

Masses: Saturday Vigil at 5:15 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 Office Summer Hours: Monday, Tuesday, and Thursday, 9 a.m. to 12 noon
Closed Wednesday and Friday

Reconciliation: Available after 5:15 p.m. Mass weekly; seasonal communal services

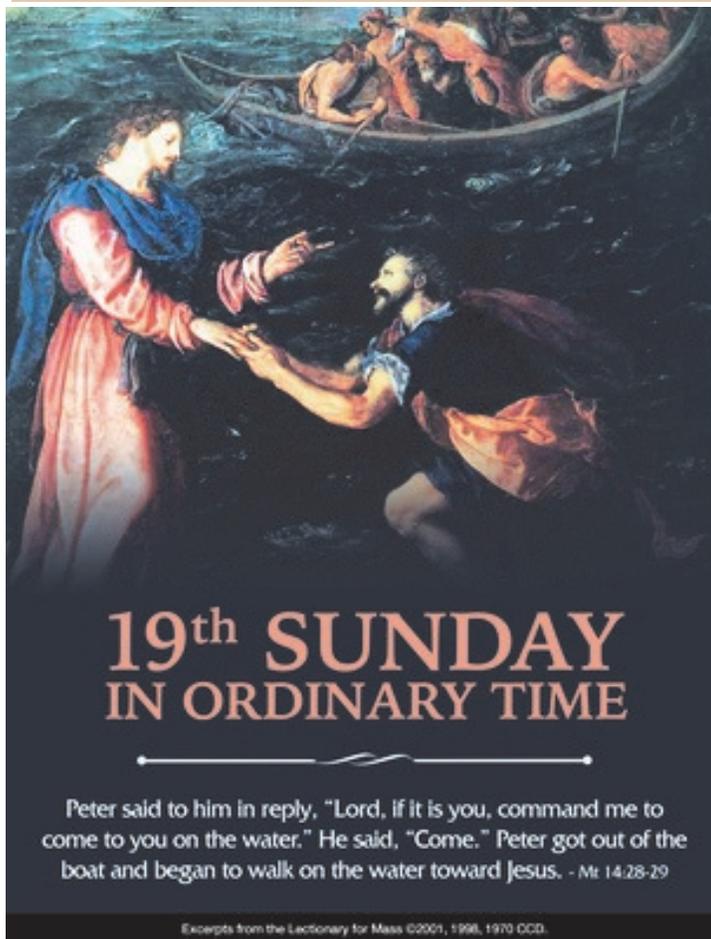
Sacrament of the Sick: Celebrated communally several times yearly and upon request

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.



Rev. Joseph Arockiasamy, *Pastor*

Gary Surman, *Deacon*

Karen Brueck, *Trustee*

Connie Vrooman, *Trustee*

Leo McAllister, *Finance Council Chairperson*

Administrative Staff:

Kathy Burgin, *Music Director*

Rachael Surman Rys, *Office Manager*

Veronica Schmidt-Henzler, *Bookkeeper*

Deb McAllister, *Faith Formation Coordinator*

Greg Rys, *Campus Ministry, SUNY Cobleskill*

Patrick Kilpeck, *Youth Ministry*

Please access our website

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 5:15 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 August 8-9

Janet E. Boyle req. by her husband George
Charles Gaffney req. by Ilene Gaffney
Beatrice Muro req. by her family
Norton Family
Stanley John Rahmas req. by Tiffany Hammond
Herbie Vrooman req. by Kathy Burgin

Weekend of August 15-16

Bob Dafeldecker req. by his wife Marge and family
Maurice Kelliher req. by his wife Theresa
Herbie Vrooman req. by Raymond and Mary Parson
John White req. by his wife Peggy

We are able to open up to 33% 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.

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

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 SHOPEG, especially if you are elderly or have any health conditions.

Act of Spiritual Communion

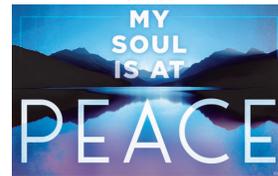
My Lord Jesus,
I believe that You are present in the Most Holy Sacrament.
I love You above all things,
and I desire to receive You into my soul.
Since I cannot at this moment receive You sacramentally, come spiritually into my heart.
I embrace You as if You were already there
and unite myself wholly to You.
Never permit me to be separated from You. Amen.

Beginning August 1st, the time of Saturday Mass will change from 3:45 PM to **5:15 PM**

The 2020 Boutique Is On!

Although we may need to make some adaptations for safety as we get closer to the date (the Saturday before Thanksgiving), it is time to start crafting and gathering items over the summer. The Raffle area is especially looking for unique items, themed baskets, or monetary donations.

Contact Kathy Livingston (518-868-4814) if you can support the Raffle with an item or money or gift cards or even an idea for a basket...smaller items can be paired up with others to make some nice raffle packages.....need to know by end of September..



Stewardship

Offertory Collection August 1-2:

Regular: \$5828.00
Peter's Pence: \$35.00
Building Fund: \$120.00

Average weekly offertory needed to cover net operating expenses: \$3331; monthly: \$14,434. Current total for August: \$5828.00.

THANK YOU for your generosity!

Leave your legacy

for the future generations of our Parish

It is important for everyone to have a will in order to ensure your assets are directed according to your intentions and that everything is clear when you go back to God. Many people distribute what they have among loved ones and also generously leave a portion of their assets to their parish.

You can leave a gift to build up the future of St. Vincent de Paul with a bequest in your will. Some people will leave a percentage, such as 10% or 20%, of their estate to the church.

Previous generations of Catholics built up the church we inherited... leave your legacy for the Catholics who come after us.

GOSPEL MEDITATION

Be still and know that I am God. Silence is sacred. Silence speaks the language of the soul and is the foundation of all life and eternity itself. Silence takes us beyond the limits of our minds and allows us to seek and to love the essence of all love, perfect love, and being. In silence, we can be non-verbally present to things and to God in ways that words cannot accomplish. We can discover, encounter, and be present to truths that our minds struggle to conceive and then set aside the boxes we put around things when comprehending them is challenging. We can know the unknowable and touch eternity when we encounter the core silence in our souls.

We can do this even on a noisy street and in the midst of the greatest distraction. Once we have made friends with silence, the rambling noise of the world no longer seems to matter, and we can carry a deep forgiving peace within us, even when physical silence cannot be found. We know that we are loved, cared for, sustained, nourished, embraced, and carried. There is nothing to fear in silence, and I can be present to myself in the same way that God is present to me. I can see myself as God sees me. All of my faults, weaknesses, imperfections, failings, and sinfulness melt away in the abundance of God’s mercy. All of the worldly things we see as being important no longer are.

It is in silence that all of the barriers that divide us disappear. There is no more “yours” and “mine” but only the oneness of “ours.” There is no longer a need to “figure things out,” and we tap into our desire to simply let things be. Silence is creative and powerful and gives us hope. Silence is God’s greatest blessing. God became one with humanity in silence. It allows us to be one with all of creation, with the moon and the stars and all of the creatures God has made. The smallest particle of creation radiates with beauty. Silence allows us to soar beyond ourselves and connect in ways that the mind can only imagine. When all is quiet, we begin to see that it is only our fear that keeps us from the Lord. It is our fear that causes us to sink and to fail. We can hear the gentle whisper that tells us to reach for God’s hand. We discover that we yearn for the salvation and wholeness that only God can give to us. Be still my soul and be at peace.

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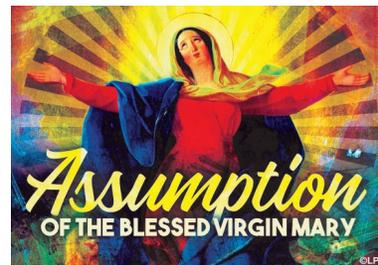
This week, we would especially like to thank **Lynette S. B. Lawyer, CPA.** Please consider supporting them as they support us.



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. *



August 15

We are looking to keep our records current and update phone numbers and email addresses. Please complete this short form and place it in the collection basket. Thank you for your help!

Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____

Email: _____