

# The Catholic Community of St. Vincent de Paul

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

**Reconciliation:** Available after 5:15 p.m. Mass weekly; by appointment; 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 website for registration forms.



19<sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



"I am the bread of life. Your ancestors ate the manna in the desert, but they died; this is the bread that comes down from heaven so that one may eat it and not die."

- Jn 6:48-50

## ***Pastoral Staff***

Rev. Joseph Arockiasamy, *Pastor*

Gary Surman, *Deacon*

## ***Trustees***

Connie Vrooman

Pete Nichols

## ***Administrative Staff:***

Kathy Burgin, *Music Director*

Rachael Surman Rys, *Office Manager*

Veronica Schmidt-Henzler, *Bookkeeper*

Debra McAllister, *Faith Formation Coordinator*

Patrick Kilpeck, *Youth Ministry*

Greg Rys, *Campus Ministry, SUNY Cobleskill*

Leo McAllister, *Finance Council Chairperson*

*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**

**Mass Intentions**

Weekend of August 7-8

- Nancy Bruni** req. by John and Joan Rose
- Kristy Cechnicki** req. by Joyce Roberts
- Maurice Kelliher** req. by his wife Theresa
- Beatrice Muro** req. by her family
- The Norton family**
- John White** req. by his wife Peggy

Daily Mass - Tuesday

**For the people**

Daily Mass - Thursday

**For the people**

Weekend of August 14-15

- Elizabeth Kuncewitch** req. by her family



Every Wednesday we pray a Healing Rosary at 7 PM over Zoom. Meeting ID: 284 242 6978 Passcode: 359189

Parishioners are also invited to pray the Rosary with us each Tuesday after the 9 am Mass

**St. Clare - August 11**

Saint Clare was born in 1193 in Assisi to a noble family. When she was 18, she heard St. Francis preaching in the town square during Lent and she knew at once that God wanted her to consecrate herself to Him. The next evening, Clare left her house at night, ran to meet St. Francis and his companions at the church they were staying in, and shared her desire to follow him in his way of life. He received her and sent her to a Benedictine convent. When Clare was 22, St. Francis placed her in a small house beside the convent and made her superior, a post she should serve for the next 42 years of her life until her death. The 'Poor Clares' as they came to be known, lived an unusually austere life, walking barefoot around the town begging for alms, wearing sackcloth, and living without any possessions, completely dependent for their food on what was given to them. But the emphasis of their lives was, and still is, contemplation. Clare's reputation for holiness was such that the Pope himself came to her deathbed in 1253 to give her absolution, and wanted to canonize her immediately on her death, but was advised by his cardinals to wait. She was canonized in 1255, two years after her death.

**Readings for the week of August 8, 2021**

- Sunday: 1 Kgs 19:4-8/Ps 34:2-3, 4-5, 6-7, 8-9 [9a]/Eph 4:30—5:2/Jn 6:41-51
- Monday: Dt 10:12-22/Ps 147:12-13, 14-15, 19-20 [12a]/Mt 17:22-27
- Tuesday: 2 Cor 9:6-10/Ps 112:1-2, 5-6, 7-8, 9 [5]/Jn 12:24-26
- Wednesday: Dt 34:1-12/Ps 66:1-3a, 5 and 8, 16-17 [cf. 20a and 10b]/Mt 18:15-20
- Thursday: Jos 3:7-10a, 11, 13-17/Ps 114:1-2, 3-4, 5-6/Mt 18:21—19:1
- Friday: Jos 24:1-13/Ps 136:1-3, 16-18, 21-22 and 24/Mt 19:3-12
- Saturday: Jos 24:14-29/Ps 16:1-2a, and 5, 7-8, 11 [cf. 5a]/Mt 19:13-15
- Next Sunday: Vigil: 1 Chr 15:3-4, 15-16; 16:1-2/Ps 132:6-7, 9-10, 13-14 [8]/1 Cor 15:54b-57/Lk 11:27-28 Day: Rv 11:19a; 12:1-6a, 10ab/Ps 45:10, 11, 12, 16 [10bc]/1 Cor 15:20-27/Lk 1:39-56

**Observances for the week of August 8, 2021**

- Sunday: 19th Sunday in Ordinary Time
- Monday: St. Teresa Benedicta of the Cross, Virgin and Martyr
- Tuesday: St. Lawrence, Deacon and Martyr
- Wednesday: St. Clare, Virgin
- Thursday: St. Jane Frances de Chantal, Religious
- Friday: Sts. Pontian, Pope, and Hippolytus, Priest, Martyrs
- Saturday: St. Maximilian Kolbe, Priest and Martyr
- Next Sunday: The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary

**Gospel Meditation**

Are we willing to be taught by God? If we are, then we will begin to see things and make judgments using a Divine lens. Often, we perceive things with purely human eyes and reference points. When we do this, reality can lose its Divine spark and we miss what God is trying to say. When using human eyes exclusively, Jesus is at best perceived simply as a prophet who has some wise things to say. The human element has a difficult time seeing Jesus' divinity and recognizing him as the Bread of Life that comes down from heaven. We can easily get stuck on Jesus' human associations and overlook the marvelous wonders God wants us to see. If we really allow ourselves to be taught by God, we will then come to see the truth about Jesus and the abundant everlasting life God offers. Jesus becomes the key that unlocks all of our relationships: with God, others, ourselves, and creation. He, as the true and lasting bread from heaven, shows us the gifts of faith, hope, and love that God bestows on us. Through this divine lens we see that all life sparkles and glows with God's love.

**RESPONSORIAL PSALM**

Taste and see the goodness of the Lord.

## Stewardship

### Offertory Collection July 24-25:

The offertory for the next several weeks will be reported in the August 14-15 bulletin due to vacation time.

Average weekly offertory needed to cover net operating expenses: \$3331; monthly: \$14,434. Current total for July: \$7545.

Thank you very much for sharing your talents and treasure as a disciple of Jesus in the midst of your difficulties. Our parish administration, service programs, and outreach efforts are possible only through your regular participation and contributions.

**THANK YOU for your generosity!**

### SPECIAL COLLECTION

This weekend the second collection is for the cemetery.  
Next weekend the second collection is for The Evangelist.



St. Joseph

### Prayer to St. Joseph

St. Joseph, you are the faithful protector and intercessor of all who love and venerate you.

I have special confidence in you.

You are powerful with God and will never abandon your faithful servants.

I humbly invoke you and commend myself with all who are dear to me to your intercession.

By the love you have for Jesus and Mary, do not abandon me during life and assist me at the hour of my death.

Glorious St. Joseph, be my guide, my father, and my model through life that I may merit to die as you did in the arms of Jesus and Mary.

Guardian of the Word Incarnate, I am confident that your prayers on my behalf will be graciously heard before the throne of God.

Through Christ, our Lord, Amen.



## Faith Formation

*We are looking for a new Faith Formation Coordinator. If you are interested in finding out more, please call the parish office.*

## Music Ministry

For the summer, Wednesday rehearsals will be July 21, August 4, and August 18 at 7 pm.  
Saturday rehearsals will be July 24, August 7, and August 21 at 4:30 pm.  
As of September 1, rehearsals will be every week.



### The Boutique Is Back:

The full Boutique is on this year! If you should find something that can be donated to the Raffle or one of the tables, please contact Kathy Livingston or the parish office. Thank you! .

The Cobleskill United Methodist Church, in conjunction with the Joshua Project, is organizing a summer lunch program to serve free lunches on weekdays this summer, and St. Vincent's is providing volunteers on Fridays from 11am to 1:30pm. If you are interested in helping out, please contact Kathy Kosier at 518-234-2854.



There will be a **Post-Pandemic Welcoming Celebration** starting at Mass next Sunday, August 15th. Please call or text five families in our parish and invite them back to church. Please pick up a candle and decorate it with your family for the celebration to thank the Lord and to remember those who have died due to COVID.