

From Our Pastor

Peppermint Patty asked Charlie Brown, "Have you made any New Year's resolutions, Chuck?" Charlie Brown responded, "Yes. You know how I always dread the whole year? Well, this time I'm only going to dread one day at a time."



Who does not feel some sense of dread going into 2024? I'm sure there will be all sorts of fuss in the year to come to test our spirits and put our tunics in a tussle. What if both parties' presidential nominees get forced out, drop dead, or even are sent to prison before the election? What if Artificial Intelligence so manipulates the media that we no longer know what is real or true? What if current wars escalate and all the super-power nations are drawn in? What if Pope Francis becomes incurably incapacitated?

Stay prayed up, good people, and in a state of grace. Then, watch for God to reveal His glory. As followers of Jesus, we need not be troubled by "what ifs." Instead, we take hope in the "even-ifs."

Psalm 46 tells us that, even if the "earth be shaken and mountains quake to the depths of the sea. Though its waters rage and foam and mountains totter at its surging... The Lord of Hosts is with us... Be still and know that I am God."

Hang on for a wild ride. See you at Mass, come what may. One year from now we, again and still, will be rejoicing that God is our stronghold and lasting peace.

Monday Morning Mass Social



**Monday, Jan. 8 after the 8 AM Mass
in the Community Room**

Join us for coffee & treats after morning Mass.

SVDP School Information Night

Monday, Jan. 8 from 5:30-6:30 PM in the School

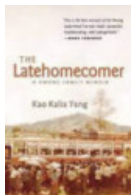
Join us as we welcome prospective families to learn more about our Faithful Beginnings Program (Preschool and Pre-Kindergarten), Kindergarten, and Grades 1-8 at St. Vincent's. Register at school.saintvdp.org.



Book Club this Thursday

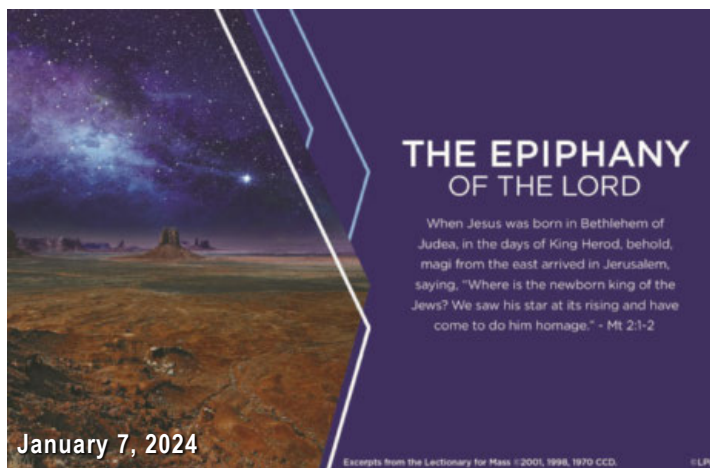
**Thursday, Jan. 11 from 9:30-10:30 AM
in the Community Room**

We will be discussing The Latehomecomer: A Hmong Family Memoir by Kao Kalia Yang.



"In search of a place to call home, thousands of Hmong families made the journey from the war-torn jungles of Laos to the overcrowded refugee camps of Thailand and onward to America. But lacking a written language of their own, the Hmong experience has been primarily recorded by others. Driven to tell her family's story after her grandmother's death, this is Kao Kalia Yang's tribute to the remarkable woman whose spirit held them all together. It is also an eloquent, firsthand account of a people who have worked hard to make their voices heard."

Please join us! New members are always welcome! We usually meet the second Thursday of each month. On Feb. 8 we will discuss Agent Sonya by Ben Macintyre.



PARISH MISSION STATEMENT:

KNOW and celebrate our Catholic Faith,
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CONTACT

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Parish Office: (763) 425-2210

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SACRAMENTS

Reconciliation

Weekdays: 7:30 AM & Saturdays: 3:30-4:15 PM
or call to schedule an appointment.

Baptisms: Please call the office at 763-425-2210.

Matrimony: Please call the office at 763-425-2210.

WORSHIP

Location

9100 93rd Avenue North, Brooklyn Park, MN, 55445

Masses

Monday-Friday at 8 AM

Saturday at 5 PM

Sunday at 7:30 AM, 9 AM, 11 AM

CCW Meeting

Tuesday, Jan. 9 at 7 PM in the Community Room

Our speaker is Melissa Uzelac from the Laboure Society which our CCW supports. Their mission is to rescue Catholic Religious vocations from the barrier of student loan debt. St. Catherine of Laboure is the society's namesake and patroness. Refreshments and a short business meeting will follow.

Small Groups for Moms & Couples

Join us for "The Temperament God Gave You: A Catholic Small Group for Parents of Young Children."



The Women's Group (cost is \$55) will meet 7:00-8:30 PM on Monday evenings (Jan 22, Jan 29, Feb 12, Feb 26, Mar 18, Apr 8, Apr 22 and Apr 29)

The Couples group (cost is \$75). is 7:00-8:30 PM on Thursday evenings (Jan 25, Feb 1, Feb 15, Feb 29, Mar 21, Apr 4, Apr 25 and May 9). Register at www.canafamilyinstitute.com/join-group. Contact Anna at annackreklow@gmail.com for information.

Beloved Series for Girls in Grades 6-12

Sundays: January 14, 21, and 28 from 12:00-1:30 PM in the Community Room

Discover what it means to be a beloved daughter of God! This 3-week series is open to any girls in 6th-12th grade. Register at <https://forms.gle/vVTMXyeQfXzdPi1BA>.

Questions? Contact Caitlin at caitlingiles@saintvdp.org.

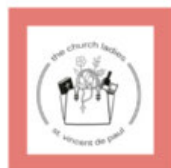
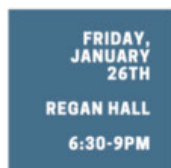


Annual Cana Dinner & Dance

Friday, Jan. 19 from 6:30 - 10 PM

All married couples are invited to join us for our Cana Dinner & Dance. The evening begins with a prayer service and renewal of vows in the Church, followed by dinner, drinks, and dancing in Regan Hall.

Register online at saintvdp.org/cana-dinner or in the Parish Office by Tuesday, Jan. 16. Cost is only \$50/couple.



JOIN US

for a time of faith, fellowship, and competition!

QUESTIONS? CONTACT SVDPCCHURCHLADIES@GMAIL.COM

Pre-Baptism Class

Monday, Jan. 8 from 7-8:30 PM

Registration is required (call the office at 763-425-2210) for this class. We recommend attending before the birth of your child. Both parents are required to attend. Parents are encouraged to attend for each child and are required to attend if it has been 5 years or longer since attending a session.

Perpetual Eucharistic Adoration

Sunday: 6 AM, 8 PM, 10 PM, 11 PM

Monday: 8 AM, 10 PM

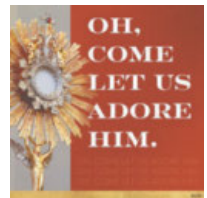
Tuesday: 6 AM, 7 AM, 12 PM, 3 PM, 4 PM, 10 PM

Wednesday: 7 AM, 12 PM, 3 PM, 6 PM, 11 PM

Thursday: 6 AM, 12 PM, 1 PM, 9 PM, 10 PM, 11 PM

Friday: 10 AM, 11 AM, 12 PM, 1 PM, 2 PM, 5 PM, 6 PM, 8 PM, 9 PM, 10 PM, 11 PM

Saturday: 8 AM, 9 AM, 10 AM, 12 PM, 1 PM, 2 PM, 3 PM, 4 PM, 9 PM



We need adorers to help cover the hours that have only one adorer currently committed to attend (printed in black).

Mass Intentions for January 8-14

Monday	8:00 AM	† Ben Franke
Tuesday	8:00 AM	† Donna Williams
Wednesday	8:00 AM	† Ron Warren
Thursday	8:00 AM	† Mildred Shonts
Friday	8:00 AM	† Modesto Salazar
Saturday	5:00 PM	† Joe & JoAnne Gapinski
Sunday	7:30 AM	† Helen Johnson & † Mary Ahmann
	9:00 AM	Parishioners
	11:00 AM	Sharon Drucker

Readings for this Week

Sunday:	Is 60:1-6/Ps 72:1-2, 7-8, 10-11, 12-13 (see 11)/ Eph 3:2-3a, 5-6/Mt 2:1-12
Monday:	Is 55:1-11/Is 12:2-3, 4bcd, 5-6 (3)/1 Jn 5:1-9/Mk 1:7-11
Tuesday:	1 Sm 1:9-20/1 Sm 2:1, 4-5, 6-7, 8abcd/Mk 1:21-28
Wednesday:	1 Sm 3:1-10, 19-20/Ps 40:2 and 5, 7-8a, 8b-9, 10/Mk 1:29-39
Thursday:	1 Sm 4:1-11/Ps 44:10-11, 14-15, 24-25/Mk 1:40-45
Friday:	1 Sm 8:4-7, 10-22a/Ps 89:16-17, 18-19/Mk 2:1-12
Saturday:	1 Sm 9:1-4, 17-19; 10:1a/Ps 21:2-3, 4-5, 6-7/Mk 2:13-17
Next Sunday:	1 Sm 3:3b-10, 19/Ps 40:2, 4 7-8, 8-9, 10 (8a, 9a)/1 Cor 6:13c-15a, 17-20/Jn 1:35-42

Parish Office Hours

Monday-Thursday: 8 AM – 3 PM & Friday: 8 AM – Noon

The deadline for bulletin articles is Monday at Noon.

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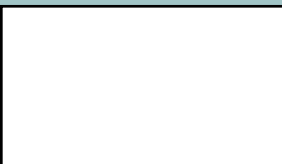
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