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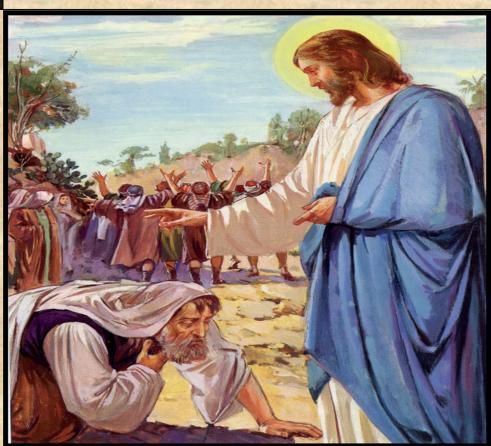
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The office is closed on Fridays.

# The Roman Catholic Parish of St. Vincent de Paul

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We are a Catholic community rooted in the Eucharist and committed to the poor.



MASS SCHEDULE

**Daily Mass** 

Monday-Saturday: 8:30AM\*

Morning Prayer is prayed
Monday through Saturday at 8AM

MASS ON THE LORD'S DAY

Saturday: 4PM (Vigil)
Sunday: 7AM, 9AM and 11AM\*

Confession: Saturday 3:00PM to 3:45PM or by appointment

of by appointment

\*Daily Mass and the 11AM Mass on Sunday are live streamed.

#### Please be aware that voices in the Vestibule can be heard in the Church.

#### STEWARDSHIP REPORT

## OFFERTORY COLLECTIONS 2025-26 2024-25

 SEPTEMBER
 \$75,362
 \$62,701

 AUGUST
 \$59,115
 \$58,155

 JULY
 \$65,207
 \$70,990

As your pastor, I am so grateful to all our faithful and generous Parishioners who enable us to fulfill our Mission and who share in our endeavor to address a full range of spiritual life at St. Vincent de Paul. Our success is made possible by the donation of your time, talent, and treasure.

Fr. Cely

May God bless you for your support.

#### **SCAN TO GIVE ONLINE**

The people rejoiced over these free-will offerings, for they had given freely and wholeheartedly to the Lord.

1 Chronicles 29:9



### SIGN UP FOR PARISH EMAILS

If you wish to receive updated information from our Parish. Please scan the QR Code and sign up for weekly email notifications.



#### **GUTTER UPDATE**

Due to the generosity of many parishioners, with the addition of one large contribution, we have reached our goal for the gutter repairs, now we can address the soffit repairs and painting. Our next project is to have the parking Lot seal coated and restriped before we get bigger potholes. That goal is much larger! The approximate cost will be close to \$30,000 Thank you for your continued support.

#### **MASS INTENTIONS**

MONDAY October 13th

**8:30AM** Lawrence Ho (Living)

+Sr. Ann Jerome, O.P.

TUESDAY October 14th St. Callistus I, Pope & Martyr

8:30AM Kam & Vicky Lau (Living)

Leo Killeen Jr. & family (Living)

WEDNESDAY October 15th St. Teresa of Jesus, Virgin & Doctor of the Church

**8:30AM** Karl Schlegel (*Living*)

+Marge Hansen

+Sr. Cecile Rodomany

THURSDAY October 16th St. Hedwia, Reliaious

8:30AM Emma Militante (Living)

Linda Gramer Blashek (Living)

+Norbert Terrie

FRIDAY October 17th

St. Ignatius of Antioch, Bishop & Martyr

**8:30AM** +Christopher Giraldo

+Maureen Meade

+Julio Matinho

SATURDAY October 18th St. Luke, Evangelist

**8:30AM** +Brian Gillespie

+Andrew Gale

#### Twenty—NinthSunday in Ordinary Time

**4:00PM** + Mary De Canio Skribner

(Vigil) +Margaret Hansen

+John F. Conway

**7:00AM** + Family of Ignatius & Josephine

Clemens

**9:00AM** +Bill & Marion Hosford

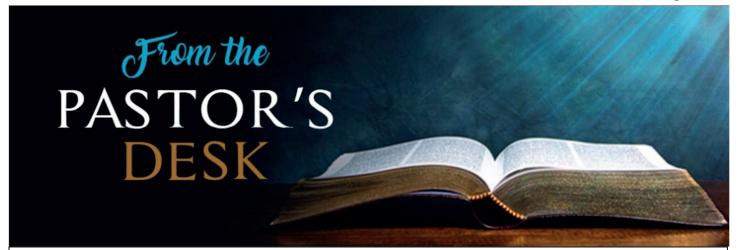
+Michael & Maria Cetola

+Angela Calleo

11:00AM +Geri Cacciato

+Lucia Lordi Serritella

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#### **A Personal Encounter**

There must have been dimensions in the character of the Samaritan leper which the other nine did not have.

The Samaritan leper experienced a deep encounter with Jesus. A real contact of soul to soul, person to person. Jesus acted, moved, and spoke with great freedom. It is the absence of freedom which makes personal relationships difficult. This event was characterized by freely given goodness.

Our Lord did not instantly heal the ten lepers. The healing came as they went along. They all had the faith to take Jesus' instructions seriously, so they went to the priests in the temple. (The priests had authority over all matters of purity and impurity).

Leprosy was and is extremely contagious. That contagion made the afflicted unfit to take part in collective worship. The priests, rather than a doctor, were designated to declare a person pure from leprosy. Restoration of a healthy state was an expression of divine mercy.

The cured Samaritan leper needed to express his gratitude before he got any official confirmation. First, he raised his voice in praise. He went back to the place where he had left Jesus. His soul was stirred, and he needed to express his relief. The weight of leprosy had been lifted. Next, he threw himself on the ground before Jesus as an expression of worship. He had detected a divine power at work in his healing.

The leper's separation from human community had ended. Where there is a society brought into being by charity, and characterized by the practice of charity, the possibility for a higher standard of human living is so much greater. There is compassion for affliction of every kind. This incident was not a situation where a right to help could be claimed. This leper knew it was an expression of free goodness. The soul knows instinctively when it is being regarded as a "case" or a duty. This was an expression of human sympathy, a shared humanity.

When charity comes to birth in a society, its social living is marked by a solidarity of compassion. It is evident that its members know that God is love. A true Christian society treasures the belief in the primacy of selfless love, a belief in which there can be no fear and no doubt. The one leper saw and believed.

Fr. Hernan Cely

**Pastor** 

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#### READINGS FOR NEXT SUNDAY

## TWENTY-NINTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME First Reading: Exodus 17:8-13

Amalek and his people attacked the Israelites, so Moses instructed Joshua to lead some of the Israelites into battle the next day. While Moses kept his hands raised in prayer, the Israelites were winning. But when he put his hands down, they would begin to lose. So two others helped him keep his hands raised, and Joshua and the Israelites won the battle.

#### Second Reading: 2 Timothy 3:14-4:2

Paul tells Timothy that the Scriptures are inspired by God and are an excellent tool in teaching others about God's expectations of his people. Knowledge of the Scriptures, coupled with faith in Jesus, will lead many people to salvation. Paul urges Timothy to continue preaching the gospel, although this will sometimes be a difficult task.

#### Gospel: Luke 18:1-8

Jesus speaks about a corrupt judge who lacked respect for either God or man. A widow repeatedly asked him to settle a case in her favor. He finally settled the case, only because he grew weary of listening to her requests. Jesus points out that if even this corrupt judge eventually

#### Twenty-eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time

#### **Monday**

Rom 1:1-7; Lk 11:29-32

#### **Tuesday**

Rom 1:16-25; Lk 11:37-41

#### Wednesday

Rom 2:1-11; Lk 11:42-46

#### Thursday

Rom 3:21-30; Lk 11:47-54

#### **Friday**

Rom 4:1-8; Lk 12:1-7

#### Saturday

2 Tm 4:10-17b; Lk 10:1-9



#### ADORATION



**Holy Hour** with Adoration and Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament takes place Thursdays from 7:30PM to 8:30PM.

#### PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS

#### Those who serve in the military:

Calla Ann Armenti, Christopher Caamano, Stephen J. Campbell, Shayla Castillo, Christopher Conant, James Conant, Jay Donato, Frank Fasano, Peter Giovanni, Jeffrey Hedden, Jacob Homola, Dylan T. Jones, Fr. Peter Koziolkiewicz, Michael Kurzman, Eric Leverone, Richard Lister, Nick Loften, Fr. John Edison Madrid, Michael Mahala, Frank Messina, James Minogue, Fr. Adam Muda, Eileen Murphy, Fr. Przemyslaw J. Nowak, Tyler Nelson, Hayden Schultz.

#### Those who are ill:

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Those who have died to this world Requiescat in Peace May all the faithful who have departed this world rest in Your eternal peace. Amen

Reborn through the waters of Baptism and the outpouring of the Holy Spirit, we embrace:

#### Sofia Caterine Batarseh

Daughter of Alberto & Erica Batarseh

#### **Madison Reese Filik**

Daughter of Matthew & Alison Filik

Claimed now for the fullness of eternal life.

#### Pastoral Visits To Those Homebound and

Parishioners who are homebound or unable to come to Mass and would like a visit to receive Holy Communion or the Sacrament of Reconciliation please call the parish office 908-647-0118 to arrange a visit from

Fr. Cely or Sr. Anita.

Be assured of our prayers for each of you.

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St. Vincent de Paul Life Ministries Annual



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#### **MEET THE CHALLENGE!**

Challenge is a group **FOR girls in Grades 5-8 run BY girls in Grades 9-12.** We meet every Sunday evening in the John Paul II room and perform acts of service, go on retreats and have lots of fun- all while learning about and growing in our faith with girls that we can look up to. Check us out! We meet Sundays from 6-7:30 in the Church. For more information, email us at **challengeclubofnj@gmail.com.** 



#### FOOD PANTRY

#### The Food Pantry is in need of:



Coffee, Canned Green beans, Canned Corn,

Rice, Albacore and chunk white tuna, Fruit cocktail, Canned fruit, Black, Red and

pink beans, Chicken noodle soup, Vegetable soup, Pancake mix, boxed pasta, tomato sauce, spam, canned chicken, jelly, garbanzo beans, Cheerios, and oatmeal.

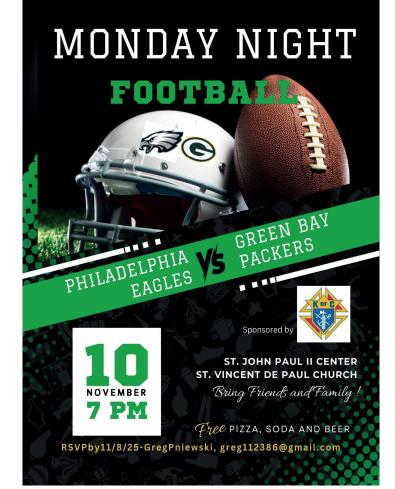
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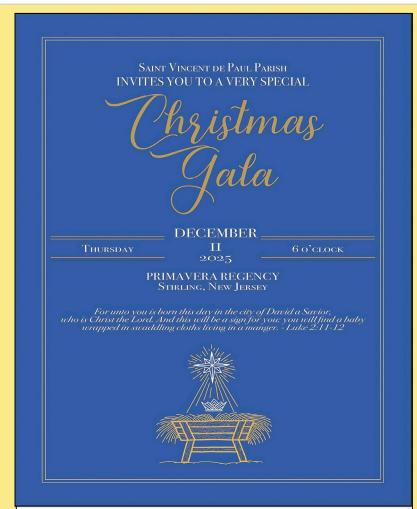


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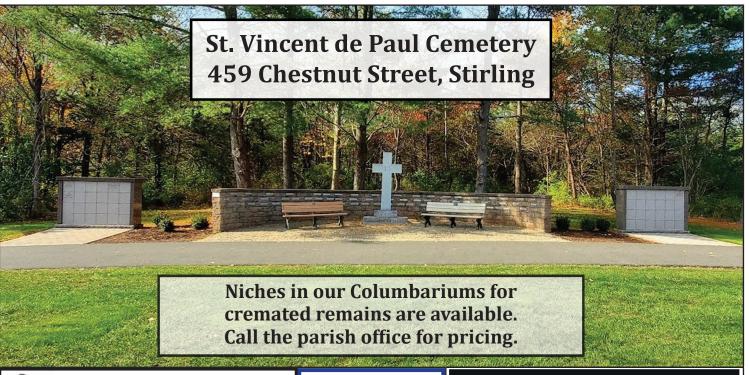
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