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Therefore, I say to
you, the kingdom
of God will be
taken away from
you and given to a
people that will
produce its fruit.

~Matthew 21:43

Mass Schedule

Daily Mass

Monday–Saturday: 8:30AM*

Morning Prayer Monday through Saturday at 8AM

Mass on the Lord's Day

Saturday: 4PM (Vigil)

Sunday: 7AM, 9AM and 11AM*

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

**Daily Mass and 9AM and 11AM Mass on Sunday are live
streamed on our website.*

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

OFFERTORY COLLECTIONS

Monthly Recap:

Weekly Budget **\$17,980**

Collected **Deficit**
(includes Online Donations)

9-6 \$14,036 **\$3,944**

9-13 \$12,697 **\$5,283**

9-20 \$16,040 **\$1,940**

9-27 \$15,706 **\$2,274**

Mortgage payment=\$3,524

Collected **Deficit**
(includes Online Donations)

\$2,877 **\$647**

Total Monthly Deficit: \$14,088

Our new stewardship report is designed to keep parishioners informed about our weekly deficit. Because of our monthly mortgage shortfall, we must draw from our operating account, which further increases our collection deficit. Please continue to support our parish.

Thank you for your continued generosity.

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



Parking Lot Project Progress

\$26,913
of \$35,000 Funded

77%
of Goal

MASS INTENTIONS

October 5th

MONDAY

8:30AM Fr. A. Richard Carton (Living)
+Marie Fargiano

October 6th

TUESDAY

8:30AM Lew & Frida Ferris (Living)
+Santo Costa
+Vera & Rocco Aroneo

October 7th

Our Lady of the Rosary

WEDNESDAY

8:30AM Bishop John Flesey (Living)
+Peggy Camiolo

October 8th

THURSDAY

8:30AM Fr. John Calabro (Living)
+Lawrence Leone
+William Keller

October 9th

FRIDAY

8:30AM +Susie Matinho
+Christine Dos Santos
+Peggy Camiolo

October 10th

SATURDAY

8:30AM Andrew & Grace Beer (Living)
Christine Knell (Living)
+Anthony Sinagra

TWENTY-EIGHTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

4:00PM +Angel Smircich
(Vigil)

7:00AM +Deceased Members of the Parish

9:00AM +Deacon Bill & Evelyn Wagner
+Tom & Therese Mc Closkey

+Bill & marion Hosford

11:00AM +Maria Sousa

+William Keller

+Sr. Maria Silvia de Oliveira



God's Vineyard

Planting a vineyard is planting for a relationship. It's a long-term investment, a labor that will not yield its grapes or wine for many years. Isaiah, in the first reading, has compared God's people to a vineyard that has produced sour grapes. All that loving labor: the soil prepared, the sunny hillside chosen, the superior vine stock selected, the hedge carved to keep out deer, the watch tower and wine press constructed. God has lovingly protected His people, and they have produced sour grapes, violence, and oppression. Isaiah prophesies that God will destroy the vineyard.

The vineyard was not necessary for God. Yet, He created and tended it out of love. He had chosen a people for Himself. They were unfaithful, and they will be destroyed. Except, Isaiah tells us of the hope that God will save a remnant, and they will rebuild after the destruction and the judgment. Jesus uses the same imagery in the parable in today's Gospel, but His emphasis is different. For Jesus, the problem lies not with the vineyard but with the tenant-farmers. The vineyard produces its grapes, and from them the wine for drinking. However. The tenants will not give the landowner His due. Share-cropping arrangements between tenants and landowners were common agricultural practices in the time of Jesus. Sometimes as now, they were exploitive and unjust. However, when the tenants beat up and kill the Master's agents, they don't complain that they can't afford the rent or feed their children. The tenants' motive is pure greed; they want the vineyard for themselves. They even kill the owner's son and heir.

The judgment is pronounced against the tenants, and new tenants will be found to produce the grapes. Unlike Isaiah's parable, this parable is not told against the vineyard, which symbolizes God's people. The parable is told against the contemporary religious leaders. It is specifically not a rejection of the Jewish people. It is a call for fresh leadership of God's people. A leadership who will allow the vineyard to flourish in peace and integrity.

The key to this new leadership is the son, who is thrown out of the vineyard and killed. Today's parable is a warning for all who work in the Kingdom of God – for us, all of us. The vineyard is God's vineyard. We do not labor for our own benefit, but for God's.

Fr. Hernan Cely

Pastor

Find past articles here: <https://stvincentschurch.org/pastors-message>





TWENTY-EIGHTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

First Reading: Isaiah 25:6-10a

This passage describes the new Jerusalem as a heavenly banquet on the mountain with the Lord God wiping away all tears.

Second Reading: Philippians 4:12-14, 19-20

In simple, direct words, Paul thanks the Philippians for alleviating his hardships. He stresses, though, that he is as accustomed to poverty as to abundance and finds all his strength in Christ.

Gospel: Matthew 22:1-14

Once more speaking to the chief priests and the elders, Jesus relates the parable of the wedding banquet. A King, preparing a wedding banquet for his son, summons all the invited guests. When, after several invitations, no guests arrive, the King commands his servants to "go out into the byroads and invite anyone you come upon." Again, Jesus warns the elders, "the invited are many, the elect are few."

Readings for the week:

Monday

Gal 1:6-12; Lk 10:25-37

Tuesday

Gal 1:13-24; Lk 10:38-42

Wednesday

Gal 2:1-2, 7-14; Lk 11:1-4

Thursday

Gal 3:1-5; Lk 11:5-13

Friday

Gal 3:7-14; Lk 11:15-26

Saturday

Gal 3:22-29; Lk 11:27-28

Morning Prayer



Liturgy of the Hours is prayed daily **Monday** through **Saturday** at **8am.** using prayers from the IBreviary App on your phone.

Please Remember in Your Prayers

Those who serve in the military:

Calla Ann Armenti, Shayla Castillo, Christopher Conant, James Conant, Fr. John Edison, Jeffrey Hedden, Jacob Homola, Fr. Peter Koziolkiewicz, James Minogue, Fr. Adam Muda, Andrew Bruzzichesi & Celeste, Fr. Przemyslaw Nowak.

Those who are ill:

Carmine Cicurillo, Bob Filoramo, Shannon Finnegan Cook, Sr. Mary Faith Chanda, C.SJB., Nicholas Gay, Sr. Maria Jasmin Gotas, C.SJB., Linda Gramer Blaschek, Glenn Redgate, Thaddeus Giansanti, Timothy Bradshaw, William Bruzzichesi, Kathryn Findlay, Charles Findlay, Lauren Baker, ella Bitter, John Bradley, Marilyn O'Neill.

Those who have died to this world

Clementina Giusti, Corine Miller
May all the faithful who have departed this world rest in Your eternal peace.
Amen

Pastoral Visits

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.

Lectors and Eucharistic Ministers

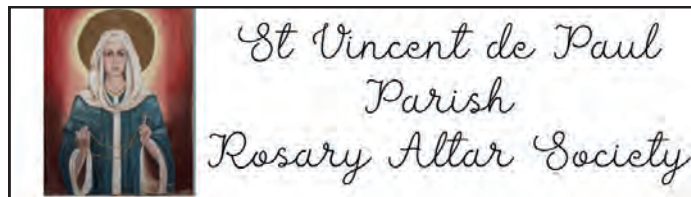
Training October 24th 10AM

If you've been thinking about becoming more involved in the liturgy, we invite you to prayerfully consider serving as a Lector or Extraordinary Minister of Holy Communion (Eucharistic Ministers). If you would like to learn more, email the parish at parish@stvincentschurch.org

ADORATION



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



Next meeting Monday, October 5, 2026

What's in your closet?

The St. Vincent de Paul Rosary Altar Society is collecting clothing in wearable & usable condition for distribution throughout the US and developing countries. *None of the clothes are shredded or destroyed.* The Rosary Society will be compensated per pound collected and use these funds for the needs of the altar and the Parish community.

We will be collecting
men's, women's, children's clothing,
shoes, boots, belts, handbags, linens,
sheets, curtains, towels, stuffed animals,
soft toys, and bikes
ALL TOYS 2' x 2' OR SMALLER
(NO pillows, comforters, bedspreads or blankets)
(NO board games or books, NO toys larger than 2'x2')

Shoes no longer need to be bagged separately!
Please use standard kitchen garbage bags, tied shut.

**Donations may be left in the Church Meeting Room
Thursday & Friday, October 15-16, 2026 (8 AM to 6 PM)**
**Volunteers needed to move bags to curb
and load truck on
Saturday, October 17, 2026 - 9AM
(Immediately after 8:30 AM Mass)**

Challenge is a group FOR girls in Grades 5-8 run BY High School Leaders.

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! Our kick off is October 4th from 6-7:30 in the Church.

For more information, email
challengeclubofnj@gmail.com

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December 4, 2026**



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"Blessed are you, Father Lord of heaven and earth; You have revealed to little ones the mysteries of the Kingdom." (ant.)

Catechesis of the Good Shepherd is program for our 3, 4, and 5 year old children. This program was developed by Dr. Sofia Cavalletti and Gianna Gobbi, inspired by the work and insights of Maria Montessori.

They recognized the religious potential of the child. The program will take place on Tuesdays at 9:30 AM, 11AM or 1PM (as available) from September through May. Volunteers are needed to assist in the Atrium For more information please contact:

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\$2,500 – Final Grand Prize, Friday, December 4

Reg. ID # 377-3-8290 Total Prizes: \$6,500



CYO BASKETBALL

Boys and Girls in Grades 3-8, Season runs November to March, Games are generally on Sundays, practices scheduled

by team coach based on player availability \$150 fee cash/check once placed on a team Free to register:
(Please register by 9/30)

<https://stvincentchurch.demosphere-secure.com/>

Coaches needed

Contact Jill Robertson
jill617@gmail.com

Haiti's Hope
For our sister parish St. Paul
in Nanpol, Haiti

WALK OF HOPE

Despite rainy weather, about 50 people came out to support our second annual Walk of Hope held September 20. Children participated in educational and fun activities, and there were snacks, homemade treats, beverages and ice cream for all. Father Cely led us in prayer to kick off the walk. Everyone enjoyed some exercise, fellowship, and an opportunity to win gift certificates to several local eateries.

We would like to thank all those that came out for the walk, as well as all the sponsors and donors. Over seven thousand dollars was raised to support our sister parish, St. Paul in Nanpol, Haiti. The funds raised are primarily used to support the school and food program now serving over 130 school children.

Gold Sponsors: Beer Architectural Group, Bar Cilento Restaurant, Dr Bridget Lang at Stirling Smiles, Great Swamp Greenhouses, John's Painting, Sterling Hallmark, The Stirling Hotel, St Damien Knights of Columbus, Kevin and Laurie Dempsey, Thomas Herzfeld, Lauren and Jim Mozer, The Vreeland Family;

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Much thanks and appreciation to our many generous unnamed donors.

To learn more about Haiti's Hope Ministry, please visit our webpage on the parish website.



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