



WE WORSHIP, CONNECT, GROW AND SERVE THE LORD IN THE EUCHARIST

## Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time Year A—February 1, 2026

### Mass Times:

Saturday Vigil... 4:00 p.m.  
Sunday..... 7:30, 10:00, 11:30  
a.m. 8:30 a.m. (Vietnamese)  
Daily Mass... 8:30 a.m.

### Confession: In the Social Hall

Thursday.... 3:00 - 4:00 p.m.  
and 7:00 - 7:30 p.m.  
Saturday..... 9:00 - 10:00 a.m.

### Adoration & Prayer Services:

Exposition: 9:00 a.m. with the ro-  
sary and Divine Mercy Chaplet  
Benediction: 11:55 a.m.

### Church Open for Prayer:

The church is open 7:30 a.m. to 9:00  
p.m. to visit for prayer.  
Morning Prayer: 8:05 a.m.

### Anointing of the Sick

#### Every Friday after morning Mass.

Call the parish for any need, anoint-  
ing of the sick or home visits or  
for communion.

PHONE: 727-938-1974

### Baptisms & Marriages

Please call the Parish Office

#### Parish Office Hours

Monday– Thursday 9 a.m. to 2 p.m.

#### Stay Informed:

Website: [www.svdpl.com](http://www.svdpl.com)

Facebook: St. Vincent de Paul  
Catholic Church

**Welcome to our parish  
family!**



## Blessing of Throats

On February 3, the Catholic Church celebrates the **Feast of St. Blaise**, a bishop and martyr who is revered as the patron saint of those suffering from illnesses of the throat. One of the most well-known legends of St. Blaise involves his miraculous intervention to save a young boy choking on a fishbone.

Join us for the traditional Blessing of Throats in honor of St. Blaise on his feast day **Tuesday, February 3rd**. Priests will offer blessings using two crossed, blessed candles to pray for protection against throat diseases and other illnesses. Our parish will host this special blessing right after 8:30 mass on that day.



### FlockNote Notifications

If you would like to receive email notifications from the parish messaging service, please call the office at [727-938-1974](tel:727-938-1974).

### FlockNote Prayer Requests

Please call the office with prayer requests or email them to [prayers@svdpl.com](mailto:prayers@svdpl.com).

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## **St. Vincent de Paul Parish Staff**

### **Clergy**

Fr. Dominic Long Nguyen, S.S.S. Pastor  
Fr. William Fickel, S.S.S. Parochial Vicar  
Fr. Joselito Hitosis, S.S.S. Parochial Vicar  
Fr. Joseph Thai Tran, S.S.S. Parochial Vicar

### **Faith Formation**

Sr. Teresa Y Nhu Hoang, S.J.P. Director  
Sandy Cavanagh  
Mary Gerbasi  
Christine DeLieto  
Margaret Flanders  
Deacon Bertrand Guerin  
Sharon Guerin  
Kimberly Varner  
Anabella Batista  
Jessie Camerieri  
Susan Fogarty  
Cecilia Adams

### **Music and Ministry**

Sr. Maria Duong Pham, S.J.P. Director  
Eddie Lanuzga Coordinator of Ministries

### **Parish Support**

Christine DeLieto	Parish Manager
Anabella Batista	Secretary
Kimberly Varner	Bookkeeper
Mark Brose	Chef/Hall Rental

### **Maintenance Team**

Rocky Hieu Nguyen  
Felix Agostini and Karen Hall.

### **Our Vision Statement: “Fortify A Strong Future In Loving Service.”**

Do you have any comment or question?

Email us at:

Anabella@svdpfl.com

**Welcome to St. Vincent's!**

Whether you're visiting, returning, or searching for a spiritual home, we are glad you're here! In this season of honoring love, care, and nurturing hearts, we especially give thanks for the presence of all who reflect Christ's compassion among us.

Through worship, service, and fellowship, our vibrant ministries offer many paths to grow in faith and parish family. Please visit our website to learn more!

**May you find peace, purpose, and a sense of belonging here at our parish.**

## **GROWING IN GOD'S GRACE**

Dear brothers and sisters in Christ,

Most of us wake up to the sound of an alarm clock. Maybe on Saturdays and Sundays we can sleep in and tomorrow we can also sleep in since it's a holiday. But on weekdays, whether it is to go to work or to school, the alarm clock will be our wake-up call.

That can be a very challenging time as our ears and our bodies keep protesting to the sound of the alarm clock as it persistently keeps bugging us. And depending on how we want to start the day, there are many alarm tones that we can choose from.

In the gospel, we heard a teaching from Jesus which is often called the Beatitudes. Beatitudes means blessings.

So what Jesus is saying is that when we are poor in spirit, when we are gentle, when we are merciful, when we hunger and thirst for what is right, when we are persecuted because of Jesus, we are blessed. The gospel used the word “Happy” but it means blessed. And that word recurs throughout the passage. (9 times)

Another word in the passage that keeps recurring is the word “shall”. That word accompanies the word “Happy” and it reinforces it by making it into a promise. In other words, when we are gentle, when we are merciful, when we hunger and thirst for what is right, when we are persecuted because of Jesus, then we shall be blessed.

That is the promise that Jesus is making to us, and it is He Himself who will bless us. And that is a wakeup call for us. When we hear the teaching of the Beatitudes, we wonder about it. Because it goes against our instinct and logic to think that by giving way, by not retaliating, by being humble, by being kind, we will be blessed.

We would be more inclined to go by the ways of the world and to go with the flow by keeping quiet and looking away from injustice and staying out of trouble, by playing safe, by going for what is advantageous and profitable to us.

But the Beatitudes keep calling us when we follow the Way of Jesus, we will be blessed and rise from what the world can give us to what Jesus want to give us.

We are called to lift up our minds and hearts and lives to God so that we can stretch our wings of blessings and soar high with God's love. Yes, that is what God is calling us to and that is what He wants of us.

May we too hear God's call and become who God wants us to be. May the New Year bring about God's blessings so that we will stretch out our wings and proclaim God's wonderful love for us.

May we firmly believe in the promise of Jesus in the Beatitudes and receive blessings upon blessings.

Blessings,

Rev. Dominic Long Nguyen, S.S.S.

<b>Date</b>		<b>Mass Intentions</b> Presider Key: D (Fr. Dom), L (Fr. Lito), B (Fr. Bill)	<b>Events</b>
<b>Saturday, Jan. 31</b> St. John Bosco, Priest 2 Sm 12:1-7, 10-17 Mk 4:35-41 Or see 523	<b>D</b>  <b>B</b>	8:30 a.m. + Vita Ann Brose (Tom & Lorraine Parsons)  4:00p.m + Steve Lohli (Wife & Daughter)	3:00 p.m. Pray the Di- vine Mercy Chaplet 5:00 p.m. Candlemas 7:00 p.m. NA Meeting
<b>Sunday, Feb. 1</b> <b>FOURTH SUNDAY</b> <b>IN O.T. YEAR A</b> Zep 2:3; 3:12-13 1 Cor 1:26-31 Mt 5:1-12	<b>L</b> <b>D</b> <b>B</b> <b>D</b>	<b>Sanctuary Candle for Michael McDonald</b> <b>(Jean Flynn)</b> 7:30 a.m. + Henryk & Stanislaw Pietka (Family) 8:30 a.m. Parishioners 10:00 a.m. + Richard Corlett (Elena Ugaz-Zuniga) 11:30a.m. + John Kreuser (Tom & Lorraine Parsons)	11:15 a.m. Faith Formation Class
<b>Monday, Feb. 2</b> <b>THE PRESENTATION</b> <b>OF THE LORD</b> Mal 3:1-4 Heb 2:14-18 Lk 2:22-40 or 2:22-32	<b>B</b>	8:30 a.m. + Charie (Friend) + Angela Cuellar (Batista family)	3:00 p.m. Divine Will 7:00 p.m. GA and GA Family Meeting 7:00 p.m. NA Meeting 7:00 p.m. OCIA Becoming Catholic
<b>Tuesday, Feb. 3</b> St. Blaise, Bishop, Mar- tyr; St. Ansgar, Bishop 2 Sm 18:9-10 Mk 5:21-43	<b>L</b>	8:30 a.m. + John Wolosin (Bernie Adams)  <b>BLESSINGS OF THROATS</b>	10:00 a.m. T.O.P.S. Mtg. 9:30 a.m. Arts and Crafts
<b>Wed., Feb. 4</b> 2 Sm 24:2, 9-17 Mk 6:1-6	<b>D</b>	8:30 a.m. + Victoria Zuniga (Elena Ugaz-Zuniga) + Stanislaw Pietka (Family)	10:00 COWLS 6:30 p.m. AA 7:00 p.m. AA Mtg.
<b>Thursday, Feb. 5</b> St. Agatha, Virgin-Martyr 1 Kgs 2:1-4, 10-12 Mk 6:7-13 Or 527	<b>D</b>  <b>D</b>	8:30 a.m. + Caridad Eloina Gamboa Wilson (Yanet Gonzalez Gamboa) + Antonio & Maria Zunino (M. Zunino) 10:00a.m. Mass in Sunshine Home	4 p.m. Contemplative Prayer 3p.m. & 7 p.m. Confession
<b>Friday, Feb. 6</b> St. Paul Miki and compan- ions, martyrs 2 Sm 11:1-4, 5-10, 13-17 Mk 4:26-34	<b>L</b>	8:30 a.m. + John Kreuser (Julia Maseo) + St. Nadine O, SSR (M. Zunino)	11:00 a.m. Al-Anon
<b>Saturday, Feb. 7</b> 1 Kgs 3:4-13 Mk 6:30-34	<b>D</b>  <b>L</b>  <b>L</b>	8:30 a.m. Mothers of the Blessed Sacrament + Mary E. Joch (Family) 1:00 p.m. + Cynthia Kellner, Memorial Mass (Nanette Doyle) 4:00p.m +Richard Corlett (Donna & Bill Gleason)	3 pm Pray the Divine Mercy Chaplet 6:00 pm Vietnamese Lunar New Year Festival 7:00 p.m. NA Mtg.
<b>Sunday, Feb. 8</b> <b>FIFTH SUNDAY IN</b> <b>O.T. YEAR A</b> Is 58:7-10 1 Cor 2:1-5 Mt 5:13-16	<b>L</b>  <b>D</b> <b>D</b> <b>L</b>	<b>Sanctuary Candle for Michael McDonald</b> <b>(Jean Flynn)</b> 7:30 a.m. Richard Knox, healing (Edd & Ann Richardson) 8:30 a.m. Parishioners 10:00 a.m. + Richard Corlett (Julia Maseo) 11:30 a.m. + Pat Mazzarini (Julia Maseo)	11:15 a.m. Faith Formation Class 12:30 p.m. Family Activities



## PRAY FOR THE SICK

Cancer; Joe Genalo (Son of Peggy & Joe Genalo), healing; Patricia Gilliam (Grandmother of Brianna Rovnak) Healing; Alice Brandt; Judy Wallowicz, healing; Summer Stevens: healing; Khiara; Doughtrill Ce-zair, Cancer; Zi'Quian Peterson: Parents of Rona Bowers; Patrick Tyrell; John Papa, Cancer; Ray Stout Sr., Cancer;

Please continue to pray for those in need of healing.

**To support those in need of healing prayers, we will remove names from our list after one month if space is needed. If you want a name reinstated or when prayers are answered, please let us know.**

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## Lenten Events

- Burning of Ashes February 15 at 11:15 by Hall
- Ash Wednesday February 18th at 8:30, 5 pm & 8 p.m.
- Stations of the Cross Fridays at 3 p.m. with Mass to follow.
- Lenten Retreat Life in the Eucharist March 13 and 14th
- Communal Penance Service March 26 @ 5 p.m.
- Seder Meal March 28 @ 5:15 p.m.
- Palm Sunday March 29, 2026
- Holy Thursday Mass - Washing of the Feet 7p.m.
- Good Friday - The Passion of Christ 3 p.m.
- Holy Saturday Mass (Vigil) 8 p.m.
- Easter Sunday Mass 7:30 a.m, 8:30 am, 10 am & 11:30am.



## LIVING IN DIVINE WILL

*Join our weekly Monday Afternoon Cenacle at 3:00 PM in the Education Bldg. to learn how to live in His Will.*

**Listen to Fr. Robert Young OFM interpreting the holy writings of "The Servant of God Luisa Piccarreta."**

*"The whole person and covering the earth without departing from within the pupil. And while its light remains in the eye, it would want to bring the pupil into the sun, let it go round the earth with itself, to let it do what the light does and receive its attestation of love and glory. This is an image of the soul who lives in My Will. My Will fills her with such fullness as to leave no empty space within her; and since she is capable of possessing the whole Divine Immensity, it fills her for as much as the creature can contain, and without separating herself from her. It remains outside of her, bringing the pupil of the will of the soul into the endlessness of its light, to let her do "... BH 23-10-02-1927 Further information contact Esperanza "Espie" Stewart, 443-852-4426.*



## COWLS

### Christian Older Wiser Loving Seniors

Parishioners have been asking for a place to meet. We will be meeting every 1st Wednesday of each month.

Coffee, Cards, Conversation: Come and join us Wednesday February 4th from 10:00 - 12:00 in the Media Room.



## Respect Life Corner SPIRITUAL ADOPTION

Pray For the Unborn

### FIFTH MONTH

Your spiritually adopted baby weighs over one pound now, and his mother can feel his movement. Before this time he was too small for her to feel.

Although he swam with ease in his watery world, he needed to be big and strong enough to kick hard against the outside wall and dent it - the inside wall of the uterus has little feeling.

We are mid-way through the pregnancy now. Your prayers have helped your baby's mother continue with her pregnancy and seek the help she needs.

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## LET'S CELEBRATE HIS ANNIVERSARY!

Please join us as we celebrate with Fr. Bill on his 60 years of his Profession of Faith with the Congregation of the Blessed Sacrament Fathers.

There will be a dinner dance on February 14th in Father Farrell Hall following the 4:00 p.m. Mass.



## NEWLY REGISTERED

We warmly welcome  
**Chris Koch, the Grace family,**  
**Quyn Nguyen, and Thanh Vo**  
as new parishioners.  
May God embrace them with His  
abundant love, mercy, and compassion.



## AGGREGATE CALENDAR

### February - 2026

DEDICATED TO THE HOLY FAMILY

**WEDNESDAY, FEB. 4: Board Meeting.**  
**BIRTHDAY of ST. PETER JULIAN EYMARD.**

**THURSDAY, FEB. 5: BAPTISMAL FEAST**  
**DAY OF SAINT EYMARD.** Celebrating Wed. Feb. 11.

**FIRST FRIDAY: FEB. 6: Exposition 9:30 pm – 5 pm**  
Day concludes with Benediction.  
**ALL ARE WELCOME TO PRAY ~Vespers ~**  
**LITURGY OF THE HOUR at 4:40 pm.**

**WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 11:**  
**ASSOCIATE INITIAL FORMATION.**  
**Session 4: Saint Peter Julian Eymard, Apostle of the Eucharist.** 9:30 am in the Education Bldg.

**WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 11: CENACLE/**  
**Holy Hour: Saint Peter Julian Eymard &**  
**GRATITUDE for the 60<sup>th</sup> ANNIVERSARY of**  
**Fr. Bill Fickel's First Profession of Vows**

**SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 14:**  
**A CELEBRATION OF LOVE**  
**The 60<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of Fr. Bill Fickel's 1<sup>st</sup>**  
**Vows.** Vigil Mass 4 pm. Followed by an  
**RSVP Dinner. SAVE THE DATE.**

**MONDAY, FEBRUARY 16: PRESIDENT'S DAY**  
**CELEBRATION OF FATHER JOSELITO'S**  
**AMERICAN CITIZENSHIP!**  
**FOLLOWING MORNING MASS: BRUNCH**  
**at 9:20 am: Day Break Cafe**  
**1981 N Pinellas Ave, Tarpon Springs,**

**WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 18: ASH WED.**  
**"BEAUTIFUL EUCHARIST" - Matthew Kelly**

**A LENTEN BOOK DISCUSSION 9:30 am**  
**In the Education Bldg. Saint Francis Room**  
**Contact Gloria or Margaret.**

*Convinced that a life cannot be fully Eucharist if it is not consecrated to God and to people, he left us an example of contemplation and apostolic action. Project of Life # 3b*



## Society of St. Vincent de Paul

In the Gospel today Jesus gives us the Beatitudes, which embody a radically alternative vision of life and we find that God indeed calls us to blessedness.

**Your gift to the Society of St. Vincent de Paul proclaims the gospel of the kingdom and brings healing to the broken hearts of those who live in poverty.**

We have a special request! We need clean and empty egg cartons to help distribute eggs to our visitors at the food bank. A great big please and thank you to you!

Have you considered answering the call to help by joining the Society of St. Vincent de Paul? **God's love is shown through our charity toward those in need. Every gift reflects the love He has given us. Jesus came to nourish all of us.**

### Beautiful Eucharist

During Lent experience a small faith sharing group, as we reflect on **Beautiful Eucharist**, published by Matthew Kelly. It includes reflections from a group of twelve that includes laypeople and clergy on their encounters with Jesus in the Eucharist.

Prepare for the **Passion** with relaxed reading and spiritual discussion for the layperson. **We start on Ash Wednesday, February 18.**

*"The Eucharist is astonishing. God himself wants to nourish us; God himself wants to feed us spiritually. God wants to dwell in you."*

**Dates:** Wednesday - **February 18 - March 31, 2026**  
**Time:** 9:30 am – 11:00 am  
**Location:** Saint Vincent de Paul R.C.C. - Edu. Bldg.

**Instructions:** Read the first 16 pages of light reading before we meet.

**Contact:** Margaret or Gloria -

**[info@aggregationblessedsacrament.org](mailto:info@aggregationblessedsacrament.org)**

or leave your name and phone number at the parish office. You may already have a parish gift of the book from a couple of years back.

**Books will be made available free for the first 10 people!**

*"Go to Him. Seek out time in His presence. Allow His presence to transform you in ways unimaginable." Matthew Kelly*





DIOCESE OF SAINT PETERSBURG  
**CATHOLIC  
MINISTRY**  
*Appeal*

**2026  
CATHOLIC MINISTRY  
APPEAL BEGINS!**

The 2026 CMA mailing was recently sent to parishioners. This year's theme is: "*Children of God.*"

After reflecting upon the blessings God has given you, please prayerfully consider making a commitment to the appeal.

Sharing your gifts with the vital ministries funded by the appeal truly impacts the lives of thousands across our diocese. Make a gift at: [SupportMinistry.dosp.org](http://SupportMinistry.dosp.org) or scan the QR code above.



**Memorial Bricks**

The Ladies Auxiliary is putting together an order for "Memorial Bricks" again, if anyone is interested.



They will be put back by the Blessed Mother at Father Farrell Hall. The cost of the bricks is \$30, \$60 and \$100, with clip art \$6 extra.

Contact the Rectory and they will put you in touch with JoAnn Corlett for more information.



**Knights of Columbus**

Friday night dinners resume on January 16 from 4:30 - 6:30

Please support us and enjoy an all you can eat meal, coffee and dessert for \$13.95

**CAPITAL CAMPAIGN**

FORTIFY A STRONG FUTURE  
IN LOVING SERVICE

Through your generous support, as of **December 31st we have raised \$412,197.82.** We continue to raise funds for our capital campaign projects, which include repairs to the leak in the education building and our \$100,000 debt to the Diocese of St. Petersburg.

Your ongoing support is crucial for our church's growth in faith and community. **We are pleased to report that through your generous support, we have paid for the A/C and two-thirds of our debt to the Diocese! Thank you so much!**



To give online, scan this QR to set up your offer-tory. If you're a new online giver and don't need envelopes, please email [Anabella@svdpfl.com](mailto:Anabella@svdpfl.com).

Join the **214 parishioners** who have embraced this simple and impactful way to support our faith community. Now is the perfect time to get involved!

**Events coming up in the new year**

**Saturday, February 7, 2026** - Vietnamese Lunar new Year

**Saturday, Feb 14, 2026** - Fr. Bill Dinner Dance

**February 20 & 21, 2026** - Spring Rummage Sale

**Saturday, March 7, 2026** - Golf Tournament

**Exciting plans are on the horizon!**

We encourage you to stay tuned for upcoming updates. Our vibrant community deeply values your time and talents, and your involvement can make a significant difference. Consider stepping up to volunteer in the new year—you have the power to help us thrive!

**YOU SHOP, WE BENEFIT**

**Support the church while enjoying the benefits at no extra cost to you!**

**Start off the New Year Right!**

You can also use the cards for celebrations, gifts, home repairs, and **everyday expenses; even groceries!** Simply buy the card from us and use it like a credit or debit card—it's that easy! There are **no activation fees!**

Gift card order forms are available on our website and in the office.

**This month's orders are due in the Office February 2nd**

VISA ~ **Cracker Barrel** ~ AMAZON ~ **WALMART** ~ HOME DEPOT ~ **PUBLIX**  
**and many more cards available to order.**

**Come And See!**





## PARISH GIVING—JANUARY 4TH

We celebrated with **724 attending mass** and our collection was **\$6,909.00**. We appreciate your continued support of our parish. Don't forget to bring your family and friends. Together, we can make Christ present in our parish and community! Visit [www.svdpfl.com](http://www.svdpfl.com) to give online. **Praise God! & May our LORD bless you for your generosity.**

## A WORD OF APPRECIATION

Thank you for your support in paying our church's operating expenses. Our January 2026 expenses were \$71,538.82 Our *income* for the month was \$36,570.00 and \$5,658.90 in Online Giving. **During the month of January our expenses exceeded our income by \$23,309.92. We are blessed to share our daily Mass and Adoration with you. Praise God & Thank you!**



## HALL RENTAL

*St. Vincent de Paul* can meet your hall rental needs with our spacious *Father Farrell Hall* suitable for small or large events. Call the parish, or speak with Chef Mark Brose and reserve a date for your special occasion. We are happy to host you!



### St. Vincent De Paul Prayer Requests

Put this in the suggestion box or Offertory basket at Mass.

Your Name (optional): \_\_\_\_\_

Prayer Requests and Suggestions: \_\_\_\_\_

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