



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

Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time Year A—February 8, 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.svdpfl.com

Facebook: St. Vincent de Paul
Catholic Church

**Welcome
to our parish family!**



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@svdpfl.com.

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St. Vincent de Paul Parish Staff

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Our Vision Statement:

**“We Worship, Connect, Grow and Serve
the Lord in the Eucharist”**

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,

In the gospel, Jesus tells us that He wants us to be the salt of the earth and the light of the world. The salt that we are called to be means that we are to give a taste of God's presence in our conversations with others.

Too much salt would turn people off as it would become overdosed with religion and we are seen to be overly zealous. But often in our conversations, God is missing and it becomes like tasteless food. Especially when our conversations digress into complaining and gossiping. That is when we have to be the salt that would purify and preserve the decency of the topics of our conversation. If we, as the salt of the earth, give others a taste of God, then as the light of the world, we are called to be light-signs that show others the way to God and the ways of God.

It is often said that God works in mysterious ways and we ourselves must be able to see it before we can tell others how to look for it.

There is a story of a pretty and well-dressed lady who went to see a lawyer to file for divorce. Her husband used to be a successful businessman, and he was able to support her expensive and lavish lifestyle. But when his business failed, his wife couldn't take it and decided to file for divorce and leave him.

When the lawyer heard her story, he told her that he would like someone to speak to her, and he called in a middle-aged office cleaner. The lawyer asked the cleaner to tell the lady how she found meaning and direction in her life.

The cleaner's story went like this – My husband died of cancer in his late 30s, and then barely half a year later, my only son was killed in a road accident. I had nobody left and nothing to live for. I was in grief and in shock and in a daze. I couldn't sleep and couldn't eat. I couldn't smile. I was angry with God and resented those people who seemed so happy in life. I even thought of ending my life. One day when I came back from work, there was a scrawny kitten at the corridor, meowing away, and it followed me to the door. I felt sorry for the kitten, and I decided to let it in and I gave it some milk. It purred and rubbed against my leg.

For the first time in months, I smiled. Then I stopped to think. If helping and feeding a little kitten can make me smile, then maybe helping somebody in need can make me happy. So the next day, I cooked some food and brought it to a neighbour who was elderly and sick, and it made her happy.

So every day, I would try to do something nice for someone else and it made me happy to see them happy. I realized that a person cannot be happy unless he is thinking of how much he can help others, instead of thinking about how much he can get from others. Now I eat well, and I sleep well, and I am happy.

And then the cleaner said to the lady: I hope that you can be happy too, by helping others to be happy. Whether the lady went on to file for divorce or not, the story left it to us to think about it. But the point of the story is that the poor cleaner found happiness by helping others to be happy.

In doing that, she also found her purpose and meaning in life. She found God in her life, and she is helping others to do so.

We are Christians. A Christian is a person in whose life Christ lives again. Just as salt gives taste and light gives sight, let us give others a taste of God's presence and to help them see the mysterious ways of God.

Blessings,

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

Date		Mass Intentions Presider Key: D (Fr. Dom), L (Fr. Lito), B (Fr. Bill)	Events
Saturday, Feb. 7 1 Kgs 3:4-13 Mk 6:30-34	D L L	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)	3:00 p.m. Pray the Di- vine Mercy Chaplet 7:00 p.m. NA Meeting 6:00 pm Vietnamese Lunar New Year Festival
Sunday, Feb. 8 FIFTH SUNDAY IN O.T. YEAR A Is 58:7-10 1 Cor 2:1-5 Mt 5:13-16	L D D L	Sanctuary Candle for Michael McDonald (Jean Flynn) 7:30 a.m. Richard Knox, healing (Edd & Ann Richardson) 8:30 a.m. Parishioners 10:00 a.m. + Richard Corlett (Julia Maseo) 11:30a.m. + Pat Mazzarini (Julia Maseo)	11:15 a.m. Faith Formation Class 12:30 p.m. Family Activities
Monday, Feb. 9 1 Kgs 8:1-7, 9-13 Mk 6:53-56	B	8:30 a.m. + Chase Adams, special intentions (K.C. Drez) + Joseph Oliveros (Aurora, Corrie & Leslie)	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
Tuesday, Feb. 10 St. Scholastic, Virgin 1 Kgs 8”22-23, 27-30 Mk 7:1-13	L	8:30 a.m. + Vita Ann Brose (The Ladies Auxiliary) + Holy Souls (M. Zunino)	9:30 a.m. Arts and Crafts 10:00 a.m. T.O.P.S. Mtg. 10;00 a.m. Rosary Makers
Wed., Feb. 11 Our Lady of Lourdes 1 Kgs 10;1-10 Mk 7:14-23	D	8:30 a.m. + Victor Rosamilia (Joan Rosamilia)	6:30 p.m. AA 7:00 p.m. AA Mtg.
Thursday, Feb. 12 1 Kgs 11:4-13 Mk 7:24-30	D D	8:30 a.m. Margaret Flanders, intentions (Friend) + Michael McDonald (Jean Flynn) 10:00a.m. Mass in Sunshine Home	4 p.m. Contemplative Prayer 3p.m. & 7 p.m. Confession
Friday, Feb. 13 1 Kgs 11:29-32; 12-19 Mk 7:31-37	L	8:30 a.m. + Mr. & Mrs. Henry Gajewski (Elena Ugaz-Zuniga) + Adele Black (Elena Ugaz-Zuniga)	11:00 a.m. Al-Anon 4:30 p.m. Friday Night Dinner
Saturday, Feb. 14 St. Cyril, Monk and Meth- odius, Bishop 1 Kgs 12:26-32 Mk 8:1-10	D L	8:30 a.m. + Richard Corlett (Marilyn McCowell) + Mary Joch (Margaret Flanders) 4:00p.m + John Ahern (Rita)	3 pm Pray the Divine Mercy Chaplet 5:00 p.m. Fr Bill’ An- niversary dinner/dance 7:00 p.m. NA Mtg.
Sunday, Feb. 15 SIXTH SUNDAY IN O.T. YEAR A Sir 15:15-20 1 Cor 2:6-10 Mt 5:17-37 or 5:20-22, 27-28, 33-34, 37	L D D L	Sanctuary Candle for Thanksgiving for petitions answered (Jean Flynn) 7:30 a.m.+ John Kreuser (Karen Ensmenger) 8:30 a.m. Parishioners 10:00 a.m. Bill Donovan, special intention (K.C. Drez) 11:30 a.m. + George Hanley (Family)	11:15 a.m. Faith Formation Class Rummage Sale Set Up PALMS BURNING

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.

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.

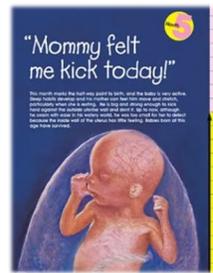


COWLS

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

SIXTH MONTH

The baby can now roll over inside the womb. Oil and sweat glands are functioning. A white filmy layer called vernix covers the baby and protects the delicate skin from the surrounding amniotic fluid.

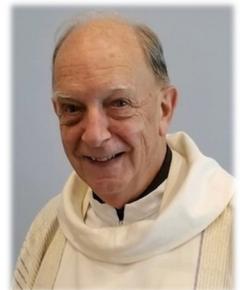
This waxy substance will be quickly absorbed into the skin soon after birth. He or she can now respond to sound.

The lungs are fairly well developed, and he or she would stand a good chance of survival if born at this time.

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, 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 & GRATITUE for the 60th ANNIVERSARY of Fr. Bill Fickel's First Profession of Vows

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 14:

A CELEBRATION OF LOVE

The 60th Anniversary of Fr. Bill Fickel's 1st 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

National Marriage Week

The observances of National Marriage Week (Feb. 7-14) and World Marriage Day (Sunday, Feb. 8) are an opportunity to focus on building a culture of life and love that begins with supporting and promoting marriage and the family. This year's theme is "Man and Woman He Created Them: Together with Purpose."

Marriage is the bedrock of our society. When that crumbles, our homes and families crumble, our children then struggle, and our communities deal with the ripple effect. Our nation grows weaker or stronger....tracking and tracing all the way back into each home, family, and marriage.

Prayer for Married Couples *Almighty and eternal God, You blessed the union of married couples so that they might reflect the union of Christ with his Church: look with kindness on them. Renew their marriage covenant, increase your love in them, and strengthen their bond of peace so that, with their children, they may always rejoice in the gift of your blessing. We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen.*



Society of St. Vincent de Paul

In the Gospel today, Jesus says, "You are the light of the world," he is calling us to live our Christian vocation in words and deeds.

Be a "light" to those living in poverty and in a world of darkness by giving a donation to the Society of St. Vincent de Paul.

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.

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

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 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 February 27 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.

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, 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 March 2

VISA ~ **Cracker Barrel** ~ AMAZON ~ **WALMART** ~ HOME DEPOT ~ **PUBLIX**

and many more cards available to order.

Come And See!



PARISH GIVING—JANUARY 31ST/FEBRUARY 1ST

We celebrated with **617 attending mass** and our collection was **\$7,482.40 in Offertory, \$1,827, and \$1,007.24 in Online Giving**. 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 to give online. **Praise God! & May our LORD bless you for your generosity.**

A WORD OF APPRECIATION

Thank you for attending Mass with us this past weekend. **We are blessed to share our daily and Weekend Masses 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: _____
