



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

**Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time Year A—February 15, 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**

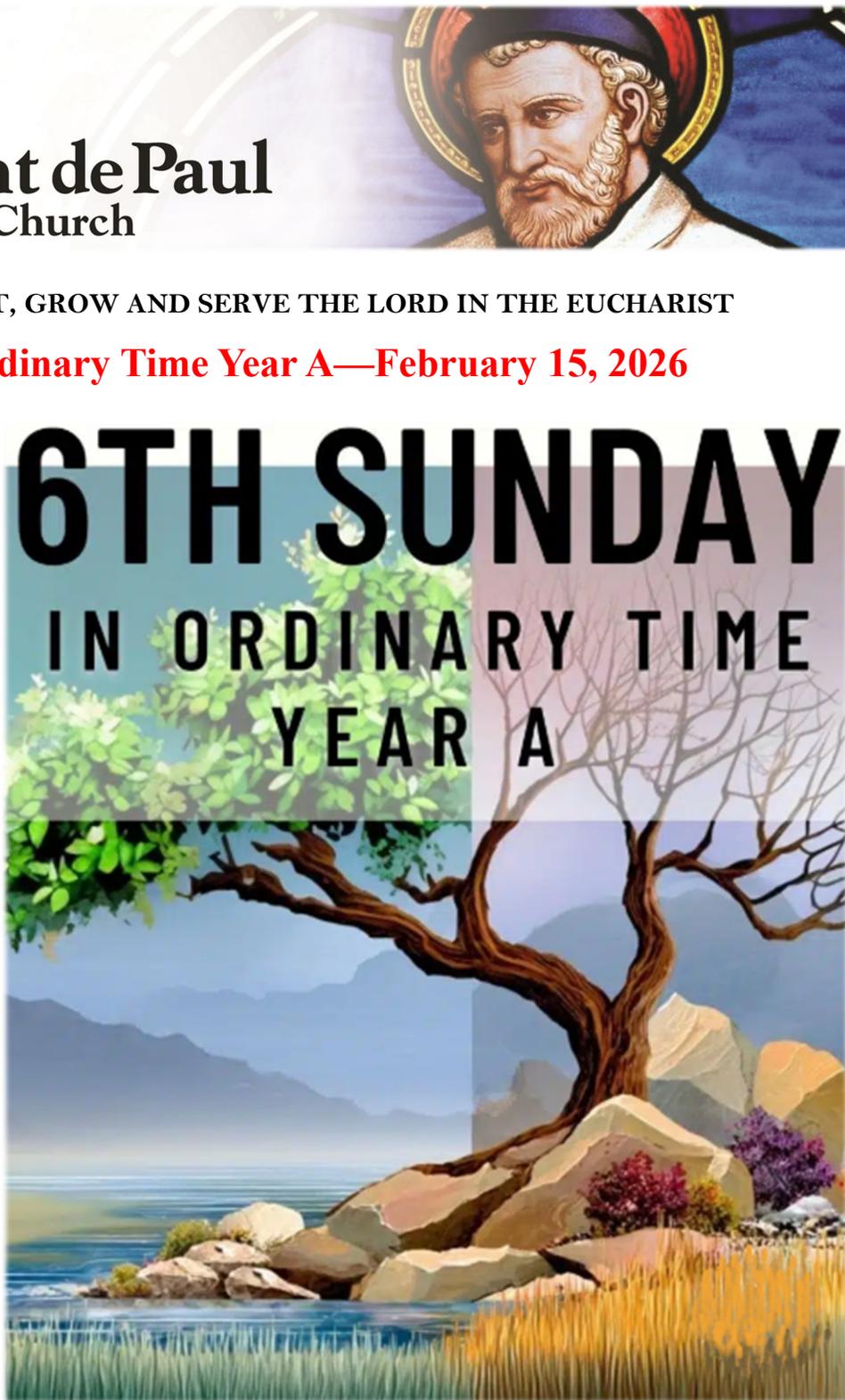
Monday– Thursday 9 a.m. to 2 p.m.

**Stay Informed:**

Website: [www.svdpfl.com](http://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](mailto:prayers@svdpfl.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  
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Christine DeLieto  
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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:**

**“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, we heard Jesus giving a teaching and He begins with “You have learnt how it was said to our ancestors”. He touches on a few of the Commandments – Do not kill; Do not commit adultery.

But with each of those Commandments, He gives a deeper aspect to it and presents an enlightening teaching to help us understand the virtues that flow from the Commandments.

For example, with the Commandment on committing adultery, He says that if a man looks at a woman lustfully, he has already committed adultery with her in his heart.

A story goes that a young man said to an elderly priest, “I like to look at women especially the beautiful ones. If God does not want us to look at them, then why does He give us eyes?” The elderly priest responded, “God also gave us eyelids so that we can close them when necessary.”

As for killing, Jesus says this: anyone who is angry with his brother will answer for it before the court.

The wisdom that life has taught us, that anger and its consequences is like drinking poison and hoping that the other person will die. Or clutching on to red hot coals and hoping that the other person gets burnt.

In other words, when we get angry, we only hurt and harm ourselves, and then the hurt and harm spreads on from us.

A grandson once came to his grandfather angry and in tears. He told how he had gone to town with his father, earned a small hunting knife for helping with trapping, and proudly admired it outside the trading post. A group of boys surrounded him, mocked him, knocked him down, and stole the knife as they ran away laughing.

“I hate them,” the boy said.

The grandfather gently lifted the boy's face and said he too had felt such hatred. “Hate doesn't hurt your enemy—it only hurts you. It's like drinking poison and hoping the other person dies. Inside me live two wolves: one white, filled with goodness and peace, and one black, filled with anger and hate. Both fight to control my spirit.”

The boy asked, “Which one wins?” The grandfather smiled and replied, “The one I feed.”

So the question comes back to us. What are we feeding our hearts with? Because what we feed our hearts with, we will also become.

As we come to the Eucharist, we are fed with the teachings of Jesus, we are also fed with His love in Holy Communion. And we also need to keep reminding ourselves of this love that Jesus is filling our hearts with.

There is this little prayer about love on our parish Facebook page. It goes like this: “*Love is patient, love is kindness, no hatred, no anger. God is love, He loves me, all the time, every time.*”

Good to sing it we are about to be angry or not happy about other people. Jesus wants to remind us that He loves us always. The lesson of love must be revised in our hearts always. And as we have learnt it, so must we show it.

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, Feb. 14</b> St. Cyril, Monk and Methodius, Bishop 1 Kgs 12:26-32 Mk 8:1-10	<b>L</b>	8:30 a.m. + Richard Corlett (Marilyn McCowell) + Mary E. Joch (Margaret Flancers)	3:00 p.m. Pray the Divine Mercy Chaplet 7:00 p.m. NA Meeting
	<b>B</b>	4:00p.m +John Ahern (Rita)	
<b>Sunday, Feb. 15</b> <b>SIXTH SUNDAY IN O.T. YEAR A</b> Sir 15:15-20 1 Cor 2:6-10 Mt 5:17-37 or 5:20-22, 27-28, 33-34, 37		<b>Sanctuary Candle for Thanksgiving for petitions answered (Jean Flynn)</b>	<b>PALMS BURNING</b>
	<b>L</b>	7:30 a.m. + John Kreuser (Karen Ensmenger)	11:15 a.m. Faith Formation Class
	<b>D</b>	8:30 a.m. Parishioners	12:30 p.m. Family Activities
	<b>B</b>	10:00 a.m. Bill Donovan, special intention (K.C. Drez)	
	<b>L</b>	11:30a.m. + George Hanley (Family)	
<b>Monday, Feb. 16</b> Jas 1:1-11 Mk 8:11-13	<b>B</b>	8:30 a.m. + Esther Leonard (Janice Leonard) + Zenaida Flores (Sangalang 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. 17</b> <b>The Seven Holy Founders of the Servite Order</b> Jas 1:12-18 Mk 8:14-21	<b>L</b>	8:30 a.m. + Richard Corlett (Cecile, Terry & Kim Sangalang) + Elizabeth Solowczuk & loved ones (Maria Solowczuk)	9:30 a.m. Arts and Crafts 10:00 a.m. T.O.P.S. Mtg.
<b>Wed., Feb. 18</b> <b>ASH WEDNESDAY</b> Jl 2:12-18 2 Cor 5:20—6:2 Mt 6:1-6, 16-18	<b>B</b>	8:30 a.m. + Danny Riordan (Jean Flynn)	6:30 p.m. AA 7:00 p.m. AA Mtg.
	<b>L</b>	5:00 p.m. Thanksgiving for petitions answered (Jean Flynn)	
	<b>D</b>	8:00 p.m. Prayers for unborn babies	
<b>Thursday, Feb. 19</b> Dt 30:15-20 Lk 9:22-25	<b>L</b>	8:30 a.m. + Jackie Flynn (Jean Flynn) +Leonor Zuniga (Elena Ugaz-Zuniga)	4 p.m. Contemplative Prayer 3p.m. & 7 p.m. Confession
	<b>B</b>	10:00a.m. Mass in Sunshine Home	
<b>Friday, Feb. 20</b> Is 58:1-9 Mt 9:14-15	<b>L</b>	8:30 a.m. + Terry Sangalang, Sr. (Cecile Sangalang) + Martin & Mary McCutcheon (Jean Flynn)	9:00 a.m. Rummage Sale 11:00 a.m. Al-Anon
	<b>B</b>	3:00 p.m. Stations of the Cross	
	<b>D</b>	4:00 p.m. +June Lettie (Her children)	
<b>Saturday, Feb. 21</b> Is 58:9-14 Lk 5:27-32	<b>D</b>	8:30 a.m. + Robert Corcoran (Mary Ann Corcoran) Pray for the unborn babies	9:00 a.m. Rummage Sale
	<b>L</b>	4:00p.m + Jose Cabral & family (Ida Cabral)	3 pm Pray the Divine Mercy Chaplet 7:00 p.m. NA Mtg.
<b>Sunday, Feb. 22</b> <b>FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT</b> Gn 2:7-9; 3:1-7 Rom 5:12-19 Mt 4:1-11		<b>Sanctuary Candle for Thanksgiving for petitions answered (Jean Flynn)</b>	11:15 a.m. Faith Formation Class
	<b>B</b>	7:30 a.m. + June Lettie (Mary Lettie)	
	<b>D</b>	8:30 a.m. Parishioners	
	<b>L</b>	10:00 a.m. + Richard Corlett (Sue Combetta)	
	<b>D</b>	11:30 a.m. + Richard Corlett (Roy & Sylvia Archibold)	

## 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 Cezair, Cancer; Zi'Quian Peterson: Parents of Rona Bowers; Patrick Tyrell; John Papa, Cancer; Ray Stout Sr., Cancer; Blondina Bellever (Jadith A. Del RC), Kadi Pauli - Healing, granddaughter of Chuck & Gloria Fricke. 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. Order your Fish in a Box Dinner
- 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."*

*"O! creature who, letting herself be invested by It's light, does not refuse It's Dominion and It's Kingdom. And if Adam deserved compassion, it was because the first period of his life was in the Kingdom of the Divine Will. "If the Celestial Sovereign Lady, though She was alone, was able to obtain the coming of the Word upon earth, it was because She gave free field to the Kingdom of the Divine Fiat within Herself. If My very Humanity was able to form the Kingdom of Redemption, it was only because It possessed the whole entireness and immensity of the Kingdom of the Eternal Volition; because wherever It extends, embraces everything It can do anything"* 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

Your spiritually adopted baby is developing quite beautifully now. Her weight is approaching 2 pounds.

Babies born prematurely at this time have a very good chance of surviving.

The medical advances in caring for extremely small newborn infants are extraordinary indeed. Don't forget to pray for your baby.

Abortion is legal through all nine months and her mom might still feel pressure to abort.

## With Grateful Thanks for Celebrating 60 Years

Dear Friends,  
My heart is full of gratitude.

Thank you to each and every one of you who joined in celebrating the 60th anniversary of my Profession of Faith with the Congregation of the Blessed Sacrament Fathers. Your presence, prayers, kindness, and generosity made this milestone far more meaningful than I could have imagined.

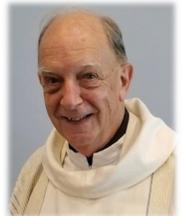
Sixty years is a long journey—one filled with grace, challenges, laughter, and countless blessings—and I am deeply aware that I have never walked it alone. Your support and friendship are a beautiful reminder of God's faithfulness made visible through His people.

Please know how thankful I am for all you did to make this celebration so joyful and memorable. I continue to keep you in my prayers and ask for your prayers as well, that I may remain faithful to the call God first placed in my heart so many years ago.

With sincere gratitude and blessings,

Fr. Bill Fickel, S.S.S.

Congregation of the Blessed Sacrament.





## 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 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*

## FAST AND ABSTINENCE ON ASH WEDNESDAY

Ash Wednesday (**February 18, 2026**) is a day of mandatory fasting and abstinence for Roman Catholics to mark the start of Lent. Catholics aged 18-59 must fast (one full meal, two smaller meals), and everyone 14+ must abstain from meat. Exemptions include the ill, pregnant, or nursing.

**Abstinence:** Refrain from eating meat (beef, poultry, pork). Fish and dairy products are permitted.

**Fasting:** Limit food intake to one full meal and two smaller meals that do not equal the full meal.

**Who is Bound:** Fasting applies to ages 18-59; abstinence applies to ages 14 and older.

**Purpose:** These acts are meant to be a form of penance, spiritual discipline, and solidarity with the suffering of Christ.



## Society of St. Vincent de Paul

In the Gospel Jesus says: "Whoever fulfills and teaches these commands shall be great in the kingdom of God."

**By your gift to the Society of St. Vincent de Paul you indeed put your faith into action as you fulfill the commands of Jesus.**

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](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. Pledge forms are available in the Church.



**CAPITAL CAMPAIGN**

**FORTIFY A STRONG FUTURE  
 IN LOVING SERVICE**

Through your generous support, as of We continue to raise funds for our capital campaign projects, which include replacing the roof in the education building and our \$100,000 debt to the Diocese of St. Petersburg. We will be updating the figures next week.

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!

**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.



**Events coming up in the new year**

- February 20 & 21, 2026** - Spring Rummage Sale
- Saturday, March 7, 2026** - Golf Tournament
- Friday and Saturday March 13 & 14th** - Lenten Retreat

**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!



**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

**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 months 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—FEBRUARY 9TH

We celebrated with **623 attending mass** and our collection was **\$6,987.00 in Offertory and \$2,119.45 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](http://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: \_\_\_\_\_

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