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**20TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME —AUGUST 17, 2025**

**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  
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**Welcome to our  
parish family!**

# 20TH SUNDAY

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

### **Clergy**

Fr. Dominic Long, S.S.S. Pastor  
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Fr. Joseph Thai Tran, S.S.S. Parochial Vicar

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Sr. Teresa Y Nhu Hoang, S.J.P. Director  
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Christine DeLieto	Parish Manager
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### **Maintenance Team**

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### **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**

There is this joke about a little boy who was always afraid of the dark and he wouldn't go outdoors alone after sunset. One day, he forgot to bring in his badminton racket from the garden and since it was already dark, he asked his mother to bring it in for him. His mother wanted to help him overcome his fear of the dark, so she told him: *Don't be afraid, Jesus is out there even in the dark! So, just go and get your badminton racket back.* So the little boy opened the door a bit and said in a loud voice: *Jesus, if you are out there, please bring in my badminton racket!*

Jesus is out there everywhere, especially in the dark. Jesus is the light of the world and He came to scatter the darkness and the darkness cannot overcome Him. And we love the light, in every sense of the word, because it gives us security and clarity. But in today's gospel, Jesus seemed to be saying much more than just being the light of the world. He said to His disciples: I have come to bring fire to the earth, and how I wish it were burning already.

It is just a metaphor, just an image. But it is also a powerful image. Fire is not a weak, pale, lifeless thing. Fire is alive and it gives out warmth and comfort. And it has the power to burn up what is useless and refine what is impure.

Jesus said that He is the light of the world and that light comes from the fire that He is bringing with Him. And He is not talking about a small fire. He is talking about a big fire that will set the whole world ablaze.

Well, so far so good, and all of that is very nice to hear. But what follows after that is what is considered to be a hard saying of Jesus, hard and disturbing. Because Jesus said: *Do you suppose that I am here to bring peace on earth? No, I tell you, but rather division.* And then He goes on to talk about a division that will cut right down to family ties. But peace is what we want and more so we want peace in our family.

Yet it also cannot be denied that every family has got some burning issues that need to be addressed. One example of a burning issue that would cause division in a family would be when a member of the family wants to convert to Christianity.

We may remember the story about Moses and the burning bush in the book of Exodus. While looking after his flock of sheep, Moses happened to notice a bush that was burning but not consumed by the fire. He went to investigate this strange thing, and then God spoke to him from the burning bush. Well, one thing led to another and in the end, Moses led the people of Israel out of slavery in Egypt. It all began with a burning bush and what a fire it started in Egypt.

Well, the burning bush may have evolved into burning issues and it is up to us to look at them and to address them. But strangely, we fear to address burning issues, just like we fear the dark. But just as Jesus is the Light that will pierce through the darkness, Jesus also wants to speak to us in the burning issues that we see around us.

When we face these burning issues and address them, it will become a fire that will burn up what is useless and refine what is impure. But it is a fire that will also give comfort and warmth and light.

Because it is a fire that comes from Jesus who is the Prince of Peace and the Light of the world. So let us not be afraid of the fire from the burning issues of our lives, because the fire will scatter the darkness of our sins and our fears.

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, Aug. 16</b> <i>St. Stephen of Hungary</i> Jos 24:14-29 Mt 19:13-15	<b>D</b>  <b>L</b>	8:30 a.m. Mothers of the Blessed Sacrament + Maria Andrzej Gancarz (Krystyna Pecenkovic) 4:00 p.m. Denise Laplace, intentions (Denise Laplace)	3:00 p.m. Pray the Chaplet of Divine Mercy 5:00 p.m. Hot August Night Dance 7:00 p.m. NA Meeting
<b>Sunday, Aug. 17</b> <b>20th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME</b> Jer 38:4-6, 8-10 Heb 12:1-4 Lk 12:49-53	<b>L</b> <b>D</b> <b>D</b> <b>L</b>	<b>Sanctuary Candle for Danny Richardson &amp; Andrew Parr (Jean Flynn)</b> 7:30 a.m. + Steven Rovnak (Rovnak family) 8:30 a.m. Parishioners 10:00 a.m. + Paul Breton (Nancy Breton, wife) 11:30a.m. Dr. Douglas Haugen & Family, Intentions (K. C.)	11:15 a.m. Faith Formation
<b>Monday, Aug. 18</b> Jgs 2:11-19 Mt 19:16-22	<b>L</b>	8:30 a.m. Margaret Flanders (Friend) + Emma Tarabocchia (John Tarabocchia)	3:00 p.m. Divine Will 7:00 p.m. GA and GA Family Meeting 7:00 p.m. NA Meeting
<b>Tuesday, Aug. 19</b> <i>St. John Eudes, Priest</i> Jgs 6:11-24a Mt 19:23-30	<b>L</b>	8:30 a.m. + Andy & Helen Sipera (Tom & Louanne Sipera)	3:00 p.m. T.O.P.S. Mtg
<b>Wed., Aug. 20</b> St. Bernard, Abbot, Doctor of the Church Jgs 9:6-15 Mt 20:1-16	<b>D</b>	8:30 a.m. Betty Chomicki, healing (Margaret Flanders)	6:30 p.m. AA 7:00 p.m. AA Mtg. (Women's Group)
<b>Thursday, Aug. 21</b> <i>St. Pius X, Pope</i> Jgs 11:29-39a Mt 22:1-14	<b>L</b>  <b>D</b>	8:30 a.m. Alice Brandt, healing (JoDena) 10:00 a.m. Mass at Sunshine Christian Home	12:30 Food Pantry 4:00 p.m. Contemplative Prayer
<b>Friday, Aug. 22</b> The Queen of the Blessed Virgin Mary Ru 1:1, 3-6, 14b-16,22 Mt 22:34-40	<b>D</b>	8:30 a.m. Mary E. Joch (Family) Catherine & Joe Lanza, Anniversary Blessing (Margaret)	11:00 a.m. Al-Anon
<b>Saturday, Aug. 23</b> <i>St. Rose of Lima, Virgin</i> Ru 2:1-3, 8-11; 4:13-17 Mt 23:1-12	<b>L</b>  <b>D</b>	8:30 a.m. Protection of Human Life (SVdP) 4:00 p.m. + Ted & Sally Nida (Donna & Bill Gleason)	3:00 p.m. Pray the Divine Mercy Chaplet 7:00 p.m. NA Mtg.
<b>Sunday, Aug. 24</b> <b>21st SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME</b> Is 66:18-21 Heb 12:5-7, 11-13 Lk 13:22-30	<b>L</b>  <b>D</b> <b>B</b> <b>L</b>	<b>Sanctuary Candle for Danny Richardson &amp; Andrew Parr (Jean Flynn)</b> 7:30 a.m. + Daniel & Edward Rovnak (Rovnak family) 8:30 a.m. Parishioners 10:00 a.m. + Catherine Cerniglia (Grandchildren) 11:30 a.m. For the intentions of Pope Leo XIV	11:15 a.m. Faith Formation



## Respect Life Corner

### SPIRITUAL ADOPTION

The members of Saint Vincent de Paul parish family will have the opportunity next month September 13/14 to "spiritually adopt" a child who is newly conceived this month. Not all newly conceived babies are allowed to

be born, in fact, more than 3000 babies lose their lives to abortion each day. It is these babies you are being asked to "adopt"

You may adopt a child individually or as a family by signing up during the weekend of September 13/14. You will be asked to name the child for whom you will be praying, thereby acknowledging the baby's humanity. You will be asked to pray for your unborn child and for all unborn children, for the power of prayer is great.

Watch the Bulletin for monthly reports describing your baby's development.

There are millions of unborn babies desperately in need of your prayers especially now with drugs which cause the end of life. Won't you please "spiritually adopt" one and share the love for life that God have given you?

### DAY ONE – Developing Baby "I'm here"

At the moment the father's sperm and mother's egg unite a new and unrepeatable human being comes into existence, complete with his own unique set of DNA.

Although he is only one cell, everything about this little person is already present: color of eyes, blood type, the height he will grow to be, color of hair - everything! He will play a role in his family and his community - a role only he can play!

Nothing is added after conception to make him a complete human being. He already exists; all he needs is nourishment, a safe, warm environment, and most of all - love. His parents don't know he exists yet.

Pray for them to safely bring their baby to birth so he can fulfill the mission God has for him.

### Becoming Catholic Classes!

We're excited to invite everyone to our becoming Catholic Classes.

Whether you're *curious about the Roman Catholic Faith* or looking to deepen your understanding of the Mass, the Eucharist, and the liturgical year, **these weekly sessions are just for you.**

If you've been thinking about receiving Baptism or Confirmation, this class will provide you with the support and guidance you need on your journey.

Feel free to reach out to the Rectory Office at (727) 938-1974. Just leave your name and phone number or email, and we'll be sure to get in touch.

## PRAY FOR THE SICK

Martha Kreuser, Health issues; Patricia Gilliam (Grandmother of Brianna Rovnak) Healing; Alice Brandt; Judy Wallowicz, healing; Summer Stevens: healing; Khiara; Doughtrill Cesar, Cancer; Katherine Mozi-na, healing; Corrine Morill, healing; Howard Murtagh, Cancer; Zi'Quian Peterson: Parents of Rona Bowers; Darrell Kreuser; Richard & JoAnn Corlett; Mathew McDevitt; Patrick Tyrell; John Papa, Cancer; Joe Genalo (Son of Peggy & Joe Genalo), Cancer; Ray Stout Sr., Cancer; Kathryn Leili & husband Gunther, healing; Diana Roshetski, 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. Thank you for allowing us to support you.*

### 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).

### PRAYER FOR THE FAITHFUL DEPARTED

"Eternal rest, grant unto Stan Humieny O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon her. May the souls of the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in Peace. Amen."

## An Invitation from the Office of the Lay Pastoral Ministry Institute

**Pray & Reflect:** Is God Calling You to Serve as a Lay Ecclesial Minister in His Church?

*"The Holy Spirit, whom the Father will send in my name, will teach you everything and remind you of all that I told you. Peace I leave with you; my peace I give to you."* (John 14:26-27) - *"Laypeople are called to help animate the world with the spirit of Christ."* (Vat. I: 14, Art. 2) The LPMI Year of Discernment provides a theological overview of the Church and Christ's ministry and can offer you a greater sense of your place as laity in the Church.

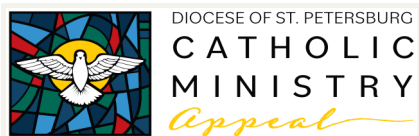
**Ask yourself:** Am I willing to step out of my "comfort-zone" to enhance my spirituality and grow in my faith formation? We seek to develop understanding and appreciation of the Catholic faith. Through your participation, you will begin to see more clearly the gifts and strengths which you can bring to ministry. Anyone interested in attending the LPMI Year of Discernment monthly sessions, can find more details on the LPMI web site at <http://dosp.org/lpmi/>. Or, you may contact our staff at the Pastoral Center by phone (727) 344-1611 or send an email to: [LPMISEPI@DOSP.ORG](mailto:LPMISEPI@DOSP.ORG)

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## CAPITAL CAMPAIGN

Through your generous support, as of August 11th, we have raised \$360,359.93. We continue

to raise funds for our capital campaign projects, which include repairs to the leak in the education building and our \$300,000 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 nearly half of our debt to the Diocese! Thank you so much!



This year, the Diocese has set a goal of \$70,588 for our parish. As of August 8th, we have pledges of \$44,565.00 (63.1% of our goal) and have received \$40,300.46 (57% of our goal) from 172 out of 776 parishioners. We have 22% participation. Last year, we had over 30% participation! Thank you to those who have pledged. Your continued support is crucial for us to reach our goal. Pledge envelopes are located near the entrances to the church for your convenience and can be mailed or delivered to our parish office. You can also give online by visiting [givetoministry.dosp.org](http://givetoministry.dosp.org).

Be counted among the givers to Catholic Ministry Appeal. Charity is a gift freely given. CHECK: Payable to Catholic Ministry Appeal 2025, PO Box 40200, St. Petersburg, FL 33743.



### LIVING IN DIVINE WILL

Join our weekly Monday Afternoon Cenacle at 3:00PM 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."

Little Children of the Divine Fiat, Inc.

2025 DIVINE WILL 50TH ANNIVERSARY CONGRESS U.S.A. "That All May Be One" October 28 - November 2, 2025 (Hosted by St. Mary's Parish, St. Petersburg, Florida)

Join us for a historic moment of prayer! Remember the words of the Divine Will: "We are bringing Italy to this Congress with all Italian speakers. Don't miss this historic event to unity as one family in the Divine Will!"

For more information go to: [www.globalservantofgod.org](http://www.globalservantofgod.org) or call 813-442-4426

Luisa Piccarreta Association Corato, Italy

Further information contact Esperanza "Espie" Stewart, 443-852-4426.



## Society of St. Vincent de Paul

In today's Gospel Jesus said to his disciples: "I have come to set the earth on fire, and how I wish it were already blazing! There is a baptism with which I must be baptized, and how great is my anguish until it be accomplished! Your gift to the Society to assist those suffering in poverty will help set the earth on fire with the of God's love.

**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

*Thank you for your support, the SVdP Society is made possible by your participation in serving this ministry.*

## Works of Mercy Challenge

Bishop Parkes is challenging the churches of the Diocese to perform **1 million Works of Mercy** during this **Jubilee year 2025**. Each person you serve counts as one Act of Mercy. You are encouraged to serve the multitudes.

**Please encourage your kids, grandkids, friends & neighbors to perform works of Mercy, this challenge is for everyone!**

You can complete the form by going to <https://www.dosp.org/challengeform/>, scan the QR code with your phone, or grab a form at the back of the church and drop it in the collection basket.



## Thank you!

for all your generous support for the students' needs. We were able to help many children and teachers for this upcoming school year!



## Family Faith Formation

Dear Parents, your primary vocation, primary responsibility, and mission, is to help your children become saints! This is a daunting task, but do not fear! Our Lord will provide all the grace you need, and our parish is here to guide you every step of the way!

Join us in our faith formation program, which includes learning and prayer both in the community at our parish and at home in the during family activities each week! "In our own time, in a world often alien and even hostile to faith, believing families are of primary importance as centers of living, radiant faith." (CCC 1656)

**Class started August 10th.**

**There is still time to register!**

**Join us at 11:15 a.m. In Father Farrell Hall**





## Thank you!

The Congregation of the Blessed Sacrament and Father Marcus Codiply, S.S.S., express heartfelt gratitude for your invaluable support of the S.S.S. Ministry Appeal. Your support inspires us all to continue our missions with purpose and passion.



## **International Potluck Luncheon**

**Sunday, September 28, 2025**

**from 1:00-4:00 p.m. in Father Farrell Hall.**

Please sign up in the Social Hall with the country you will represent and the food you will bring.

If you want to perform a dance, song, story, etc., from your country, please get in touch with the office at 727-938-1974.

We look forward to the enriching experience of sharing and learning about diverse culinary traditions and cultures with everyone.

## **YOU SHOP, WE BENEFIT**

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

Now is the perfect time to purchase gifts for Confirmation, or Graduation. You can also use the cards for spring planting, 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 by September 8th**

VISA	\$50	Cracker Barrel	\$10
AMAZON	\$25	WALMART	\$25
HOME DEPOT	\$25	PUBLIX	\$25

**and many more cards available to order. Come And See!**



**AUGUST ~ 2025  
ASSOCIATE CALENDAR**

**Month Dedicated to  
~THE BLESSED SACRAMENT~**

**Wednesday, August 28:** No Cenacle, it is transferred to August 1 for a Special Holy Hour and fellowship. **ALL ARE WELCOME: RSVP**

## **THE EUCHARIST AS THE CENTER OF OUR LIVES.**

Saint Peter Julian Eymard discovered in the Eucharist the “shining rays of love without limit and without reserve.” **How have you experienced the love of Jesus in the Eucharist?**

“Gathered in the name of the Lord, we are called to live in the Church as brothers...” (Rule of Life 1). No one had earned their place at this meal. Everyone was invited (Desiderio desideravi 4, Luke 24:30-31). Our Eucharistic vocation is, above all, a gift, a call, a grace that makes us disciples. In this sense, the LORD calls us, not only to do but fundamentally calls us to him to be. Our spirituality is not only a commitment or an effort to live something, but a way of being. The Eucharist is not a due, but a gift, a free gift that God gives us despite our poverty. **An excerpt from the Final Message of The 36th General Chapter ~ S.S.S.**

## **Attention all parishioners!!**

We will **transition to a new database** at the end of August and want to ensure that your names and contact information are updated **before** the transfer. **Please** take a moment to **provide us** with your current contact details, as many of our existing records are incorrect! Your connection is **vital** to us, and we want to ensure we can reach you! **Thank you!!**



## **Mass Offerings**

After discernment we are able to **drop** the cost of **Mass Cards to \$15!** **There are many dates available!** Please stop by the office today!



If you prefer to give online, you can scan the QR codes at the back of the church pews and set up your offertories through the portal. If you recently became an online giver and no longer wish to receive envelopes, please let us know, Anabel-la@svdpfl.com





## PARISH GIVING—AUGUST 11TH

We celebrated with **567** attending mass and our collection was **\$7,305.00**. 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 *expenses* through Aug. 10, 2025 are \$972.94. Our offertory *income* for the month as of the same date is \$13,495.00 and \$2,888.60 in Online Giving. **So far this Month our income exceeds our expenses by \$15,410.66. 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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