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23RD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME —SEPTEMBER 07, 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

Facebook: St. Vincent de Paul
Catholic Church

**Welcome to our
parish family!**



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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

We have been told that the earth is round and we believe it. Pictures from space show that the earth is round. From our earliest school days, we were taught about the solar system and about the planet Earth. Those are facts and we believe it without further questions.

But from our limited observation, the earth seems flat. As far as we can see, it is flat. When we go to the beach and look at the horizon, we see that it is flat. And even from the plane, the earth looks flat enough. Well, if the earth is really flat, then there would be a solution for those people who give us problems. We just have to bring them to the edge of the world and then push them over! Problem solved! But as it is, the problems of life are not so easily solved. Maybe that is why the earth is round. We push one problem away and it travels round the world and comes back again.

So what we ourselves wish to be, can also be very different from the reality. Just as it was difficult for people then to realize that the earth was round, neither would it be that easy for us to understand the mind of God.

As the 1st reading would tell us: What man indeed can know the intentions of God? Who can divine the will of the Lord? The reasonings of mortals are unsure and our intentions unstable. In the gospel, Jesus used the examples of building a tower and a king marching out to war against another king of a larger army.

The point is that on what resources are we relying on? If we relying on ourselves and our own abilities, then we are likely to fail and to fall. That is why Jesus tells us that we cannot be His disciples unless we give up all our possessions. In other words, we cannot be the centre and want everything to rotate around us. Only when Jesus is the centre, then will everything come together.

Mother Teresa began teaching history and geography in Calcutta at St. Mary's, a high school for the daughters of the wealthy. She was distressed by the poverty she saw all around her.

In 1946 Sister Teresa traveled to Darjeeling for a retreat. It was on that journey that she realized what her true calling was: *“I heard the call ... to serve Him among the poorest of the poor.”* It took two years of lobbying before Sister Teresa set aside her nun's habit – adopting instead the simple sari and sandals worn by the women she would be living among, and moved to a small rented hut in the slums to begin her work.

She had no income and had to resort to begging for food and supplies. Mother Teresa experienced doubt, loneliness and the temptation to return to the comfort of convent life during those early years. But when the call is from the Lord, then He will also provide the necessary graces to overcome the difficulties.

One day Mother Teresa went to a local bakery to ask for bread for the starving children in the orphanage. The baker, outraged at people begging for bread from him, scolded her and spat at her face and refused.

Mother Teresa calmly took out her handkerchief, wiped the spit from her face and said to the baker, “Thank you for what you have given for me. Will you now give something for my children? The baker, shamed by her response, gave her the bread she wanted for the children.

Mother Teresa knew she was not the centre, nor can she make everything and everyone rotate around her. She let Jesus be the centre and when He called her for the mission she got things in motion with His help.

That is what being a disciple of Jesus is all about. To give up the possession of wanting to be the centre. Only Jesus can be the centre; then everything will come together.

Blessings,

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

<i>Date</i>		<i>Mass Intentions</i> Presider Key: D (Fr. Dom), L (Fr. Lito), B (Fr. Bill)	<i>Events</i>
Saturday, Sept. 6 Col 1:21-23 Lk 6:1-5	L D	8:30 a.m. Mothers of the Blessed Sacrament + George Joseph (Thomas family) 4:00p.m + Louis Denis Laplace (Serge Laplace)	3:00 p.m. Pray the Chap- let of Divine Mercy 7:00 p.m. NA Meeting
Sunday, Sept. 7 23rd SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME Wis 9:13-18b Phlm 9-10, 12-17 Lk 14:25-33	L D B L	Sanctuary Candle for the Flynn Family (Jean Flynn) 7:30 a.m. + Henryk & Stanislaw Pietka (Pietka family) 8:30 a.m. Parishioners 10:00 a.m. + Norberto Silva (Celia Silva) 11:30a.m. Sebastian Tyzynski & family, intentions (Mike Dolan)	11:15 a.m. Faith Formation Class
Monday, Sept. 8 The Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary Mi 5:1-4a or Rom 8:28-30 Mt 1:1-16, 18-23	B	8:30 a.m. + Linda Demos (Raina Kousaleos) + Grace Buonsanto (Bruno, husband)	3:00 p.m. Divine Will 7:00 p.m. GA and GA Family Meeting 7:00 p.m. NA Meeting
Tuesday, Sept. 9 St. Peter Claver, Priest Col 2:6-15 Lk 6:12-19	L	8:30 a.m. + Arthur Landry (Friend)	3:00 p.m. T.O.P.S. Mtg. 7:00 p.m. GA Mtg.
Wed., Sept. 10 Col 3:1-11 Lk 6:20-26	D	8:30 a.m. Maria Cristina Vides, birthday (Batista family) + Michael Gagne (Friend)	6:30 p.m. AA 7:00 p.m. AA Mtg. (Women's Group)
Thursday, Sept. 11 Col 3:12-17 Lk 6:27-38	L B	8:30 a.m + Tim Thompson (Family) + Robert Galante (Margaret Flanders) 10:00 a.m. Mass at Sunshine Christian Home	12:30 Food Pantry 4:00 p.m. Contemp- lative Prayer
Friday, Sept. 12 The Most Holy Name of Mary 1 Tm 1:1-2, 12-14 Lk 6:39-42	B	8:30 a.m. + Victor & Alan Rosamilia (Joan Rosamilia) + Martino "Marty" Hroncich, on his Birthday (John Tarabocchia)	11:00 a.m. Al-Anon
Saturday, Sept. 13 St. Chrysostom, Bishop, Doctor of the Church 1 Tm 1:15-17 Lk 6:43-49	D L	8:30 a.m. + Fr. Timothy Allman (Tom & Louanne Sipera) 4:00p.m + Janina Maron (Krystyna Pecenkovic)	3:00 p.m. Pray the Divine Mercy Chaplet 7:00 p.m. NA Mtg.
Sunday, Sept. 14 THE EXALTATION OF THE HOLY CROSS Nm 21:4b-9 Phi 2:6-11 Jn 3:13-17	L J D L	Sanctuary Candle for Michael McDonald (Jean Flynn) 7:30 a.m. + Carol Zanella (Margaret Flanders) 8:30 a.m. Parishioners 10:00 a.m. Happy 70th Birthday Pope Leo XIV (JoDena) 11:30 a.m. + Marie Turro (Ann, daughter)	11:15 a.m. Faith Formation Class



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; 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.

NEWLY REGISTERED PLEASE WELCOME

Bill Ryan as a new member to our parish family

May God embrace him with His boundless love, mercy, and compassion.

Glory to our Risen Lord!



Carlo Acutis

The first person from the millennial generation to be named a saint by the Catholic Church, was an Italian teenager who used technology to spread devotion to the Catholic faith. He died at the age of 15 in 2006 from leukemia, and he offered his suffering for the Church. His stated goal throughout his short life was: “To always be close to Jesus, that’s my life plan.”



FORTIFY A STRONG FUTURE
IN LOVING SERVICE

CAPITAL CAMPAIGN

Through your generous support, as of August 24th, we have raised \$363,356.93. 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!



Society of St. Vincent de Paul

In today's Gospel, Jesus lays out the demands of following him, the great cost of discipleship. The Mission Statement of the Society of St. Vincent de Paul states: "Vincentians witness God's love by embracing all works of charity and justice...the Society makes no distinction in those served because, in them, Vincentians see the face of Christ."

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.



Online Giving

If you prefer to give online, you can scan the QR in the church pews and set up your offertories through the portal. If you have recently become an online giver and no longer wish to receive envelopes, please let us know at Anabella@svdpfl.com.

If you need assistance transitioning from the old online giving company, We Share, to our new partner, Our Sunday Visitor (OSV), please reach out to our office.



Join the **191 parishioners** who have embraced this simple and impactful way to support our faith community. Now is the perfect time to get involved!



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."*

Out List of Speakers

Don Sergio Pellegrini, Vicar General, of the Archdiocese of Trani-Barletta-Bisceglie, will open the Congress.

Enza Arbore, President of the Luisa Piccarreta Association, Corato, Italy. She holds a diploma as an Accountant and business Expert.

Don Vincenzo Bovino, after serving in Trani (Archdiocese of Trani - Barletta - Bisceglie) as Parochial Vicar, since September 2021 he has been the Pastor of the Parish of Santa Maria Greca Church in Corato.(Bari)

Continued next week

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



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.



Arts & Crafts

Join the Arts and Crafts Group!

We're back from Summer break!

Join us every Tuesday morning from 9:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. We supply fun, laughter, friendship, coffee, treats, and prayer too!

A BIG THANK YOU! **to Knights of Columbus!**

A sincere thank you to
The Knights of Columbus
for their generous spirit in repairing the air conditioning in both the hall and the education building. They are truly dedicated to our community!



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 decided that we needed to increase the price of **Mass Cards to \$15 to defray the price increase!** **There are many dates available!** Please stop by the office today!

YOU SHOP, WE BENEFIT

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

Fall is on its way. Start getting ready for Halloween and Thanksgiving. 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!**



ASSOCIATE CALENDAR

SEPTEMBER~2025

DEDICATED TO THE

SEVEN SORROWS OF MARY

+SIGN UP FOR 30 HOURS ON FIRST FRIDAYS+

PERPETUAL ADORATION GUARDIANS

2 ANCHORS NEEDED FOR EVERY HOUR.

COMING SOON: OCTOBER 5: Sign up in the office or contact Gloria.

Consider a Eucharistic Lay Vocation: Sign up now Opening Year of Discernment in October. **Contact:** Gloria Jung or Margaret Flanders

Tuesday, September 9 @ 7 pm: Education Building **FORMATION TEAM MEETING.** All Associates interested in facilitating our 12 Sessions are welcome to attend. Contact Gloria or Margaret.

Wednesday, September 18 -26: NOVENA: **Begins Saint Vincent de Paul**

Saturday, September 20: **EUCCHARISTIC ENCOUNTER** at Amalie Arena, Tampa, FL. Setting Hearts on Fire.

"Dear Friend, find God in the calm and peace of solitude. It is easier to find him there. Enjoy God in his goodness to you and follow the path of his divine Providence which has so sweetly and powerfully led you to where you are now. Reflect diligently on our Lord in his divine Sacrament and you will be as happy as one can be on this road to heaven."
Saint Peter Julian Eymard

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/>. You can also pick up a form at the back of the church and drop it in the collection basket, or scan the QR code



Our Parish, St. Vincent De Paul, has registered 35,530 Acts of Mercy! That is just over 3.5% of the 1 million mark! **We are one of only nine parishes to reach the tens of thousands! Well done!** The Diocese has 912,882 Acts of Mercy completed! We are nearly there! **Don't forget you already do things in your daily lives that are Acts of Mercy.** **Ponder the idea and let us know what you do! Let's finish that last 9% ourselves!**



PARISH GIVING—AUGUST 24TH

We celebrated with **547** attending mass and our collection was **\$5,083.00**. 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 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. 28, 2025 are \$63,223.91. Our offertory *income* for the month as of the same date is \$30,136.40 and \$6,826.80 in Online Giving. **So far this Month our expenses exceed our income by \$26,260.71. 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: _____
