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St. Vincent Ferrer Parish

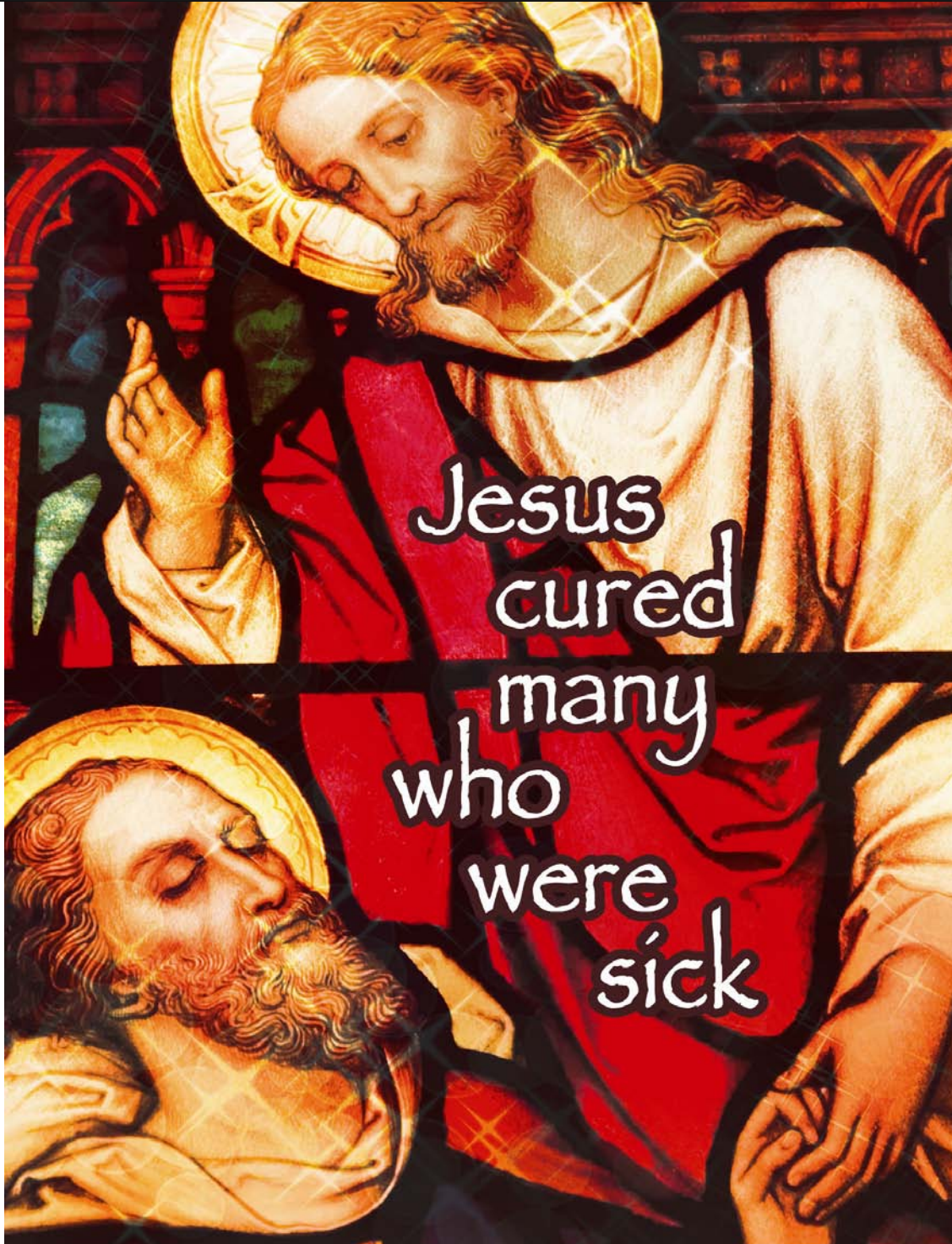


.... founded in 1931

1530 Jackson Avenue, River Forest, Illinois 60305

(708) 366-7090

February 5th, 2012
Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time



Jesus
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many
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2012 ARCHDIOCESAN ANNUAL CATHOLIC APPEAL CONTINUES

“Be Imitators of Christ!”

Thank you to all who have responded to the mailing from Cardinal George. We are still two weeks away from the in-pew request. If you received the mailing and have not responded, please take advantage of this time to do so.

In addition to providing for ministries and services throughout the Archdiocese, the Appeal also funds services that are of great help to other ministries here in our parish. For example, Appeal funds support the religious education programs for children, youth, & adults.

This year, the theme of the Appeal is: *“Be Imitators of Christ”*. We are all challenged to try to live our lives using the life of Christ as an example. Christ gave us the path to eternal life. His love for each of us cannot be taken lightly.




As we contemplate His gifts to us, we should also reflect on our gratitude for these gifts. Your financial support for the work our parish, of our Archdiocese and of the Church throughout the world is, in fact, one way to express this gratitude. Please give generously to the 2012 Annual Catholic Appeal.

When our parish reaches its goal of \$50,308 in paid pledges, 100% of the additional funds received will be returned to us for use in our parish.

WELCOME TO ST. VINCENT FERRER PARISH

We are pleased that you have chosen to celebrate the Eucharist with us today. If you are a visitor or newcomer, please introduce yourself. And if you are interested in learning more about our parish, please take a look at our website www.svfparish.org. At St. Vincent Ferrer we are delighted to welcome newcomers to our parish and there is a place for you. Our registration form is available in the parish offices at 1530 Jackson Ave. Should you have any questions, one of our parish staff will be happy to accommodate you.—708-366-7090 ext. 100. Again Welcome!!!

DID YOU KNOW...

-  FR. DENNIS PLAYED BASKETBALL AT ST. VINCENT FERRER SCHOOL FROM 1979-1982 (6th through 8th grade)?
-  AND THAT HE SAT ON THE SAME BENCHES THAT ARE CURRENTLY IN THE GYM?
-  AND THAT SOME OF OUR SCHOOL PARENTS SAT ON THESE SAME BENCHES?

IT IS TIME FOR THE BENCHES TO BE REPLACED!!

**ANNOUNCING THE FIRST AND ONLY
“BUY A BENCH CAMPAIGN.”**

**HELP US REPLACE THE OLD, UNSAFE WOODEN BENCHES WITH
BLACK AND SILVER ALUMINUM BENCHES.**

8’ BENCHES \$295

15’ BENCHES \$375

Names of donors will be placed on a plaque outside the gym

Please contact Fr. Dennis at (708) 366-7090 ext. 112 or
denop2003@yahoo.com if you are interested in purchasing
a bench or two!

WORSHIP AIDS

Please leave the Worship Aids in
the pews after each mass. Do not
take them home with you.

Thank you,
The Liturgy Committee



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PRAYERS FOR OUR MILITARY PERSONNEL

As the wars continue, let us pray that all our military personnel may
be kept from harm and return safely home to their loved ones.

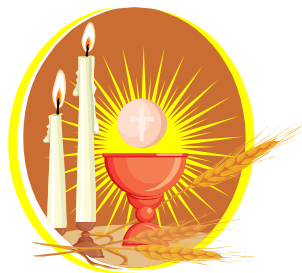
Captain James Anderson
Commander Joseph Boveri
AF-Oliva Pujol
Staff Sergeant-Paul Pujol
Major Peter Horvath



Please call the parish office at 708-366-7090 Ext. 100
if you would like to add someone to this list.

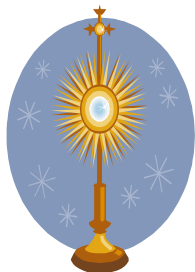
Eucharistic Reverence and Practices

Friends, this is just a reminder about a couple of things regarding our love for the Blessed Sacrament. 1) No lay person is permitted to dip the host in the chalice, also known as intinction. This is reserved only for the priest and is rarely done in the Latin Rite. 2) if you find a consecrated host in the church or on the floor, please



either pick it up and bring it to a priest or extra-ordinary minister of holy communion or call a priest. Our love and respect for our Lord in the Eucharist is a reflection of the depths of faith in our hearts. The Eucharist is the center of the our lives as Catholics, lets keep it that way!

Eucharistic Adoration Monday , Tuesday, Wednesday 7:30 AM—8:30 PM



“When you look at the crucifix, you understand how much Jesus loved you then. When you look at the Sacred Host, you understand how much Jesus loves you now.”
-Blessed Teresa of Calcutta

Parishioners derive many benefits from Eucharistic Adoration. All are welcome to visit the chapel as long as they like. To ensure the Blessed Sacrament is not left unattended, a small number of volunteers commit to regular attendance.

Please consider signing up for one of the above hours. You can do so by:

- 1) e-mail to adoration@svfparish.org.
- 2) phone: 708-366-7090 EXT. 120
- 3) Fill out form in the chapel or Parish Office.



Congratulations to the St. Vincent Ferrer parishioners who tested at Saint Patrick High School on Jan. 14. Reminder to those students that they are invited to a Pizza & Bags night at St. Pat's on Wednesday, February 8 from 5 p.m. to 7 p.m.



PARKING: When the church lots are full, please use the lot behind the school (the entrance is on LeMoyne Avenue.) Please do not park in Dominick’s Lot. Please respect our parking regulations regarding handicapped parking and the fire lanes. Please do not double park.

NATIONAL MARRIAGE WEEK

In honor of National Marriage Week (February 7th through February 14th), we will bless all engaged and married couples and widows/widowers during all the masses the weekend of February 11th and 12th.

The following poem was written by an engaged couple who attended the new Archdiocesan pre-cana program - ONE-IN-CHRIST and is a poignant reminder of the meaning of the Sacrament of Marriage.

One in Christ, Three in Marriage

In this year, we will appear,
At the Altar of a church for all to hear,
To pledge our faith in a holy place,
And receive the Sacrament with inward grace.

We intend to be united as husband and wife,
Betrothed for eternity, during bliss and strife,
To become one flesh that no one can separate,
And fulfill our vocation, our destined fate.

We will deliver our vows in front of family and friends,
While renewing our faith and allowing us to transcend,
To the Blessed Trinity of man, wife and the Holy One,
And to thank God for our happiness, made possible by the sacrifices of His Son.

We open our arms to God's glorious plan,
For children, charity or the challenges of man,
We vow to act and live within God's grace,
And dedicate ourselves and our tithes to helping the human race.

We have been so fortunate to participate in "One in Christ,"
A program that has enlightened, renewed and enticed,
A new discussion was born with each attending pair,
Which reminded us that our unwavering faith in God will always protect us from despair.

The program taught us the purpose of the Sacrament and the beauty of love
For each other, our Creator and the Heaven above,
We were reminded of the importance of repentance through confession,
And avoiding unhealthy or unholy digression.

We are Catholics who believe in the holy Church and all its teaching,
And look to God and His priests for guidance and preaching,
We strive to fulfill our holy obligation with fervor and passion,
And live our life of charity and compassion.



Written by a couple who attended the ONE-IN-CHRIST program in the Archdiocese of Chicago.

Liturgical Schedule for the Weekend of February 11 & 12



Mass Time and Date	Altar Servers	EMC's	Lector	Sacristan
Sat: Feb. 11th 5:30 PM	Isabella Romanucci Anthony Maite	John Greczek, Joan Carlson, Dawn Pfeifer, Marie Macaluso, Mary Jo Petrone, Timothy & Triss Meyer	Marybeth Maite	Sylvia Zamora
Sun: Feb. 12th 7:30 AM	Adriana & Anthony Bosco	Bill Andreoni, Josph Shaker, Marlow Comisky, Mary Ellen Kenny, Ronald Catanzaro, Rose Felipe, Angela Chapuran	Teresa Shaker	Marlow Comisky
Sun: Feb 12th 9:00 AM	Annie Mentone MJ Matos	Mary & Ken Trendel, Terry Herbstritt, Chona Domondon, Lorana Castro, Linda & Paul Calabrese	Christine Meyer	Robert & Delores Boveri
Sun: Feb 12th 11:00 AM	Hazel Gillette Anthony Georgen	Agnes Nowak, Nathan Handwerker, Andrea & Ed Gesualdo, Josphine Karr, Cathy & James Platt	Gia Jankovich	Yvonne Brizzolara
Sun: Feb 12th 5:30 PM	Anthony Barnett Piper Foellmer	Patrick, Matthew, & Alex Szybowicz, Jackie Liuzzo-Malles, Mariclare Barrett, Clara Wiklanski, Katie Back	Austin Buen-Gharib	Ken Yourek

Mass Intentions for the week

Sunday, February 5th

7:30 AM– John Lombardo
9:00 AM– People of Parish
11:00 AM– Harriet Streck
5:30 PM– Emil Juliano

Monday, February 6th

7:00 AM– McAllister & Lattner Families
12:00 PM– Mary Jill Carballo

Tuesday, February 7th

7:00 AM– Sam & Frances Catanzaro
12:00 PM– Anthony Madonia
12:00 PM– Virginia Summaria

Wednesday, February 8th

7:00 AM– Frank Perri
12:00 PM– Victor & Jennie Fammere

Thursday, February 9th

7:00 AM– Barbara Sliwinski
12:00 PM– Frank Lazzara
12:00 PM– John Goggin

Friday, February 10th

7:00 AM– Leslie McVeigh
12:00 PM– Frank Brizzolara

Saturday, February 11th

8:00 AM– James Schaefer
5:30 PM– Riccardo & Giovanna Minervini

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: 1 Kgs 8:1-7, 9-13; Mk 6:53-56
Tuesday: 1 Kgs 8:22-23, 27-30; Mk 7:1-13
Wednesday: 1 Kgs 10:1-10; Mk 7:14-23
Thursday: 1 Kgs 11:4-13; Mk 7:24-30
Friday: 1 Kgs 11:29-32; 12:19; Mk 7:31-37
Saturday: 1 Kgs 12:26-32; 13:33-34; Mk 8:1-10
Sunday: Lv 13:1-2, 44-46; Ps 32;
1 Cor 10:31 — 11:1; Mk 1:40-45

SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

Sunday: Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time;
World Day for Consecrated Life;
Boy Scout Sunday
Monday: St. Paul Miki and Companions
Wednesday: St. Jerome Emiliani; St. Josephine Bakhita
Friday: St. Scholastica
Saturday: Our Lady of Lourdes; Blessed Virgin Mary, World Day of the Sick

SUNDAY COLLECTIONS

January 29th , 2012

Budget Goal.....\$14,135.00

Actual Sunday Collection.....\$13,137.00

Please Pray for Our Sick Relatives and Friends

*Claudette Barrett
Charles Berndt
Mairead O'Connor
Teresa Cairo
Robert Catanzaro
John Dalicandro
Antonella DeBiasio
Deborah Decurre
Max DiFrisco
Doris Franklin
Lena Gatto
Steve Gayton
Richard Kallal*

*Elaine Kallal
Jean Malecki
Pam Navarolli
Heddy Pecora
Rosalie Rizzo
Angelo & Donata Serritella
John Summaria
J.J. Szelis
Barbara Thome
Sam Vizzini
James Weging, Jr.*



Electronic Giving....

St. Vincent Ferrer is changing our Electronic Giving Company. GiveCentral is our new online giving program. GiveCentral.org is a secure online system where Parishioners can create individual giving profiles with payment options ranging from direct debit (ACH) to credit cards.

How to get set-up:

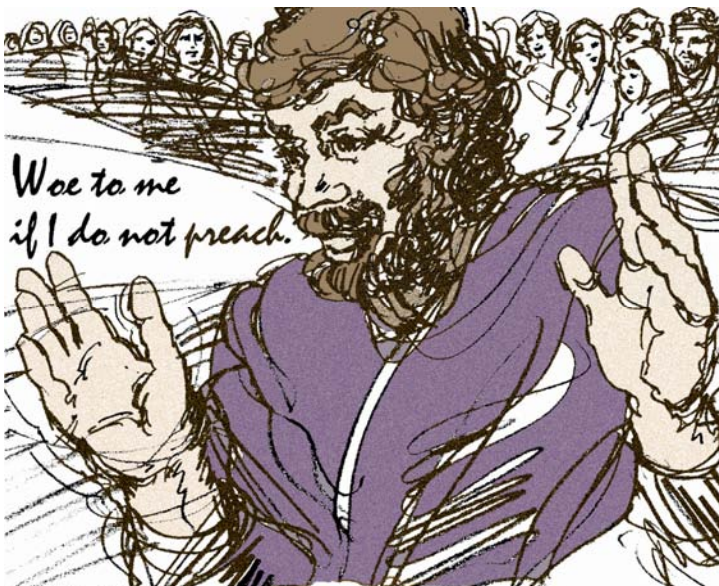
1. Go to www.givecentral.org and create your own giving profile. Select how and when you will make your contribution.

OR

2. Contact the Parish office to be enrolled.

*May our prayers bring them strength,
healing and peace.*

****Please contact the Parish Office to add a loved one's name to our Parish prayer list. Names are removed after four weeks unless the office is called.*



*Woe to me
if I do not preach.*

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2011 CONTRIBUTION STATEMENT

Contribution statements for 2011 are available upon request.
Call the parish office for more information
708-366-7090 ext. 100.

EUCCHARISTIC CELEBRATION:

Monday - Friday, 7:00 AM and 12:00 PM
 Saturday, 8:00 AM and 5:30 PM (Anticipated)
 Sunday, 7:30 AM, 9:00 AM, 11:00 AM
 and 5:30 PM
 Holy Days, 7:00 AM, 12 Noon and 7:00 PM
 Holidays, 9:00 AM

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION:

Saturday, 4:30-5:15pm and by appointment.

Church 7525 W. North Avenue
 Lathrop & North Avenues
 River Forest, IL 60305

Offices 1530 Jackson
 708-366-7090 FAX 708-366-7092
 M-F 8am-7:30pm Sat-Sun 9am-1pm

School 1527 Lathrop
 708-771-5905 FAX 708-771-7114

School of Religion 1527 Lathrop
 708-366-7090

www.svfparish.org

**PASTORAL STAFF**

Kimberly Burch, Dir. of Faith Formation x144
Camela Daley, Music Director x147
John Gaughan, Deacon
Fr. Herbert C. Hayek, O.P. Pastor x151
Fr. Michael Kyte, O.P., Associate Pastor x104
Fr. Andy McAlpin, O.P., Associate Pastor
Robert Sassetti, Deacon Emeritus
Dr. Charles Terry, School Principal x140
Jerome J. Trakszelis, Deacon
Fr. Dennis Woerter, O.P., Associate Pastor x112
Sylvia Zamora, Coord. Rel. Ed/Spred x144

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BAPTISMS:

Baptisms are celebrated at the Vigil Mass on Saturday and all Sunday Masses. Attendance at a baptismal preparation class is required. Call parish office for more information.

FUNERALS:

Call the parish office (708) 366-7090x100

WEDDINGS:

Marriage Preparation Program with a priest should be **started at least one year in advance of the proposed wedding date**. Call the parish office to begin the process.

ANOINTING OF THE SICK:

Contact parish office before major surgery or in case of serious illness. The sacrament is also celebrated at the 8am Mass on the second Saturday of each month.

R.C.I.A. (Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults)/Adult

Confirmation: Contact *Fr. Dennis* at ext. 112

PARISH SCHOOL OF RELIGION:

Director: Kimberly Burch, ext. 144
 Coordinator: Sylvia Zamora, ext. 144
 Admin. Assistant: Loretta Eichenold, ext. 145

FIRST PENANCE/FIRST EUCHARIST:

Celebrated annually in the Second Grade.

CONFIRMATION:

Administered to youth. Seventh and Eighth Grade religious catechesis required. Contact Kimberly Burch or Sylvia Zamora at ext. 144.

SPRED: Faith Formation for Adults with Developmental Disabilities. Contact *Sylvia Zamora* at ext. 144.

HOMEBOUND PARISHONERS:

Any Homebound Parishioners that need Communion contact *Father Michael* at ext. 104

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION:

Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, 7:30 am to 8:30 pm
 Adoration is held in the west sacristy chapel. Benediction 8:30p.m. Wednesday. Use the southwest entrance to the Church.

FAMILY MASS: Liturgy of Word for children every Sunday at 9:00 am.

ROSARY: Daily before the Noon Mass

NOVENA TO OUR LADY OF PERPETUAL HELP:

Tuesday after Noon Mass.

BLESSING OF THE UNBORN AND THEIR PARENTS:

On the last Sunday of each month we offer a blessing for expectant parents and their unborn children after the 9:00 am Mass. Inform the parish office during the preceding week.

NEW PARISHIONERS:

Call or come by the parish office to meet parish staff and fill out a registration form.

BULLETIN SUBMISSION

Articles for the Bulletin must be received at the parish office on Thursday at 12 noon.

SVF MISSION STATEMENT

As committed Catholics we gather together at St. Vincent Ferrer Parish to build a Christian community on the Dominican tradition of dignity and truth.

Through the sacramental life of our Church, the celebration of the Eucharist, personal prayer, study, and working together to spread God's message of love, peace and justice we struggle to achieve this goal.