



**The Roman Catholic Parish  
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**We are a Catholic community  
rooted in the Eucharist  
and committed to the poor.**

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PSALMS 111:1

*I will give thanks to the Lord with  
all my heart...*



*As we celebrate Thanksgiving Day this week may we raise our voices  
in a prayer of gratitude for all that God has blessed us with.*

*May we pray for all who serve us in the military, as first  
responders and all those who place their lives at risk each day for  
the freedoms we enjoy in this nation. May we say "Thank You" to  
those around us and strive to live each day with deeper gratitude.  
May God bless these United States and each one of us with the gifts  
of peace, unity and love. Happy Thanksgiving.*

**Sunday Mass Schedule**

**Weekday Mass Schedule**

*(Vigil Mass)*

**Saturday —5:00 PM**

**8:30 AM Monday -Saturday**

**Sunday  
8:30 AM, 10:30 AM  
and 6:00PM**

**Confession: Saturday at 4pm  
or other days by appointment.**

**"It would be easier for the  
world to survive without the  
sun than to do so without the  
Holy Mass."**

**St. Padre Pio**

**SUNDAY COLLECTION REPORT**

**The weekend of Nov. 12th and 13th**

Total amount in envelopes: \$8,416  
 Loose: \$3,058  
 Online Parish Pay: \$2,830  
**Total offered: \$14,304**  
 Diocesan Assessment \$2,730

**“It's not how much we give but how much love we put into giving.” St. Teresa of Calcutta**



**Daily Mass Readings**

**Monday**

Rv 14:1-3, 4b-5; Lk 21:1-4

**Tuesday**

Rv 14:14-19; Lk 21:5-11

**Wednesday**

Rv 15:1-4; Lk 21:12-19

**Thursday**

Rv 18:1-2, 21-23, 19:1-3, 9a; Lk 21:20-28

**Friday**

Rv 20:1-4, 11—21:2; Lk 21:29-33

**Saturday**

Rv 22:1-7; Lk 21:34-36

**CATHOLIC HOME MISSIONS APPEAL**



The Catholic Home Missions Appeal supports dioceses in the United States and its territories that lack the resources to provide basic pastoral ministry to their populations. Through annual grants, Catholic Home Missions funds catechesis, seminarian education, lay ministry training, Hispanic ministry and other pastoral programs in needy dioceses. This Appeal will take place on Thanksgiving Day. Please prayerfully consider a generous contribution to this special collection. Thank you in advance for your willingness to support the Catholic Home Missions thereby strengthening the Church at home.

**MASS INTENTIONS**

**MONDAY November 21st**  
*The Presentation of the Blessed Virgin Mary*  
**8:30AM** John Calabro, *(Living)*  
 Ann Andrews  
 Stephen Dragon

**TUESDAY November 22nd**  
*Saint Cecilia, Virgin and Martyr*  
**8:30AM** Holy Souls in Purgatory  
 Jack McDermott  
 Evelyn LaRose

**WEDNESDAY November 23rd**  
*Saint Clement I, Pope and Martyr;*  
*Saint Columban, Abbot;*  
*Blessed Miguel Agustin Pro, Priest and Martyr*  
**8:30AM** Sr. Krystyna Dziadkowiec *(Living)*  
 Joseph Lim  
 Milton Kupfer

**THURSDAY November 24th**  
 Thanksgiving Day  
**8:30AM** Christopher Giraldo  
 Charles Dropp  
 Robert Breu, Jr.

**FRIDAY November 25th**  
*St. Catherine of Alexandria, Virgin and Martyr*  
**8:30AM** The Mazzei Family *(Living)*  
 Teresa Giordano  
 Peggyann Tuma

**SATURDAY November 26th**  
**8:30AM** Deacon Bill Wagner  
 Carmel Connolly  
 Janina Siek

**First Sunday of Advent**

**5:00PM** Joseph Tremarco  
*(Saturday)* Louis and Ester Tangreti  
 William and Dorothy Loughren

**SUNDAY November 27th**  
**8:30AM** Anthony Delia  
 Sophia Momot  
 Frank and Jessie Giacumbo

**10:30AM** John Klebush, Sr.  
 Michael John Elia  
 Silva and Orlando Families

**6:00PM** People of the Parish  
 Norman Ruhl  
 Helen W. Stolz

## THANKFUL FOR OUR OUTREACH TO THE NEEDY IN OUR LOCAL AREA

As we celebrate Thanksgiving this week the following article, which appeared in the November 10th Ladies Night Out supplement published by NJ Hills Media Group, is shared with you so that you might know the great good that we as a parish are involved in. Many thanks to Randa Wallisch and all who contribute, volunteer and work so hard to allow the needs of others to be met. Happy Thanksgiving to all.

*The Saint Vincent de Paul Food Pantry housed inside the Saint Vincent de Paul Roman Catholic Parish, 250 Bebout Avenue in Stirling, has been in existence for more than 20 years. It serves, on average, 60 families each month through the truly generous support of the Long Hill Community.*

*“We are truly grateful to each person who thinks not only of their own loved ones while grocery shopping but also about those who may currently need a little assistance feeding their families,” organizers said.*

*Many people take part in giving to the food pantry through the two major food drives each year: the U.S. Postal Service “Stamp Out Hunger” food drive held each spring and the Boy Scouts of America Food Drive held in the fall.*

*The pantry also receives contributions from local schools, other area churches, local Scouts, Community Day events and many other organizations that have collected copious amounts of canned goods in an effort to relieve hunger in our area. Drop-offs are also accepted at the church throughout the day and evenings. Food donations can be placed in the wicker basket found in the Narthex of the church. Additionally, anyone wishing to make a cash donation to the food pantry can do so by dropping their donation off at the St. Vincent de Paul Parish House, which is located on the corner of Chestnut Street and Central Avenue in Stirling.*

*Among the most requested items are: white rice in 2 or 5 pound bags, canned and dry beans, especially black, pinto and navy beans, canned tuna, peanut butter, canned vegetables, especially corn, mixed vegetables, peas, beets, refried beans and green beans, pancake mix, macaroni and cheese, canned fruit, hot chocolate, coffee, pasta, especially spaghetti noodles, cereal, especially Honey Nut Cheerios, Corn Flakes and Frosted Flakes, oatmeal, soups, especially Chicken and Rice, Chicken Noodle and Vegetable, sardines, instant mashed potatoes, sugar, ketchup, mustard, and canned tomato products, especially diced tomatoes, and tomato sauce and paste.*

*Anyone with a need is welcome to take advantage of the program, said Randa Wallisch, the food pantry’s volunteer coordinator. The only requirement is that they bring a utility bill, official correspondence or identification with their name printed on it. The information is confidential and only is used to establish a personal relationship with each recipient, she said.*

*Upon registration, each client is presented with a sturdy, reusable bag that they bring back on the third Wednesday of each month. The clients receive some basics every month, like rice, beans, spaghetti sauce, cereal, pancake mix, hot chocolate or coffee, canned fruit and vegetables. In addition, they are given a shopping list written in both English and Spanish that details other available offerings. The clients can choose as many items as they wish, provided all of the items fit into their reusable bag, Wallisch said. “We will work that bag to get everything in. We very seldom take an item out,” Wallisch said.*

*Recently, the volunteers have added a hot, fresh-cooked breakfast to kick off the distribution day. Wallisch said clients generally begin to line up about an hour before the 9:30 a.m. opening time and were happy to be invited in for a hot meal. Breakfasts typically include items like bacon and scrambled eggs, sausage and biscuits, oatmeal, coffee and hot chocolate. Kid-friendly options are also available, including cold cereal, applesauce and fruit cups and fresh milk. Wallisch said the pantry is very blessed to be located in a wonderful community like Long Hill. “Seniors who are struggling to put food on their own tables will still donate one or two cans,” she said. “People here are very generous.”*

*How you can help:*

- Donate items of food to the pantry.
- Volunteer to work at a food giveaway, which are held from 9:30 a.m. to noon on the third Wednesday of each month.
- Pass the word along to those you know who may be in need.

**PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS**

**Those who serve in the military:**

Nick Ragazzo, Stephen J. Campbell, Sean Milde, Frank Fasano, Marcia Fernandes, Richard Lister, Eric Leverone, Jay Donato, Frank Messina, Eileen Murphy, Peter Giovanni, John E. Siedler IV, and Alex Stevens.

**Those who are ill:**

Aileen Oster, Nanci Gamba, Elizabeth Early, Mark Lonergan, Serenity Rose Apuzzo, Dominic Carton, Carol Sedita, George Thoms, Richard Sherer, Maple Young, Kevin Shea, Helen Munro, Larry Hebert, Larry Oster, Lou Aroneo, Msgr. Patrick Brown, Jack and Maria Bickel, Mary Keller, Dorothy Paul, Givi Trauwaert, Ruth Ann Rahe, George Armenti III, MaryAnn Paster, Anne Galdieri, Terry McCloskey, Patricia Caruso-Minicozzi, Susan Holmes, Pat Moran and Eric Binner.

**Those who have died to this world**

Frank G. Marmorato, Christopher Bowman and Edward DeFabio

**Requiescat in Pace**

May all the faithful who have departed this world rest in your eternal peace. Amen

**THE SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM**

Reborn through the waters of Baptism and the outpouring of the Holy Spirit, we embrace



**Logan Scott Higgins**

son of Kevin and Kimberly

claimed now by Christ for the fullness of Eternal Life

**FLOWERS/VOTIVE CANDLES**

The flowers placed in front of the altar are in memory of **Patrick McMonagle**

The flowers before the image of the Holy Family are in memory of **Frank Buziak**

The votive candle before the statue of the Blessed Mother is in memory of **Evelyn LaRose**

The votive candle before the statue of St. Joseph is in memory of **Barbara LaRose**

**READINGS FOR NEXT SUNDAY**



**First Reading: Isaiah 2:1-5**

The words of Isaiah urge all people to forsake war and to live in peace forever. The tone reaches a climax in the words, "One nation shall not raise the sword against another, nor shall they train for war again."

**Second Reading: Romans 13:11-14**

Paul invites us to put away all the things of darkness and sin and to prepare for the coming of Christ.

**Gospel: Matthew 24:37-44** A comparison is made between the destruction caused by the flood in Noah's time and the need to be prepared for the second coming of Christ. "You must be prepared in the same way. The Son of Man is coming at the time you least expect."

**FAITH FORMATION**



Congratulations to our children who celebrated their **First Reconciliation** this weekend. Please keep them in your prayers that they will always seek and find comfort in God's mercy through the healing Sacrament of Reconciliation.

**ADVENT GIVING TREE**



Our **Giving Tree** is now available in the Church narthex. You are invited to select an **Advent Angel** from the tree, purchase the requested gift and return it to the church meeting room **no later than December 12.**

Please attach the Angel securely to the unwrapped gift. There will also be a box available to collect gift certificates.

The gifts collected will be distributed to Catholic Charities, Paterson, St. Agnes Church, Paterson, St. Mary's Church, Plainfield, Family Promise, Morristown and Bridges Outreach.

If you have any questions please contact Sr. Elsa at 908-295-4944/srelsa@stvd.org.

**THANKSGIVING BASKETS**

If you or someone you know wishes to receive a Thanksgiving Basket prepared by Social Outreach please call the Parish House or contact Sr. Elsa at 908-295-4944/srelsa@stvd.org



Serving the community of faith is the responsibility of all by virtue of our baptism and the teaching of Jesus to serve. Prayerfully consider serving your community with the gifts and talents God has given you as:

**Lector**—proclaiming the sacred texts at Mass.

**Extraordinary Minister of Holy Communion**—distributing the Precious Body and Blood of Jesus at Mass.

**Usher**—assisting with the collection and other needs at Mass.

**Greeter/Hospitality**—greeting and assisting those who come to Mass, especially visitors to our community.

**Music (Choir/Instrumentalist)**-assist in raising hearts and minds as we glorify God in prayer.

For more information about these ministries see our parish website to be connected with the person responsible for training ministers or you may call the parish office 908-647-0118 for this and more information also.

**ROSARY ALTAR SOCIETY BAKE SALE**

Our annual **Thanksgiving Bake Sale** is this weekend in the church meeting room following the 5pm, 8:30am and 10:30am Masses. Visit our Bake Sale and select from a bounty of delicious home baked goods for your Thanksgiving dessert table! Proceeds go towards replenishing the needs of the altar.

**CHILDREN’S CHOIR**



Children of the parish in grades 3 and higher are invited to join the **Children’s Choir**. The choir will sing at the 8:30 Mass on the first Sunday of the month. Practices are Tuesday evenings from 6pm to 6:45pm. Children unable to make the practices

but who desire to sing in the choir are welcome to join us on Sunday. Contact Jenny Goodbody at [jennynsteveg@msn.com](mailto:jennynsteveg@msn.com) with questions.

**CHRISTMAS PAGEANT**

Our Faith Formation students will be presenting their annual Christmas Pageant on **Sunday, December 4 at 1:30pm in the Church**. The students are very excited! All parishioners and friends are invited.

**GETTING READY FOR SUNDAY**

Join Fr. Richard for a deeper insight into the Scriptures for Sunday Mass and a better understanding of the Mass itself. Let the Readings come alive for you by gaining an understanding of their context and the culture within which they were written. Presentations with discussion are every Thursday at 2pm to 3:30 pm and 7:30pm to 9pm in the Pastoral Center Library.



**PARISH ADVENT RETREAT**

Our **Parish Advent Retreat** will begin on Sunday **December 4** and conclude on Wednesday, **December 7**.

The theme of the Retreat will be **Advent Season, Mercy the Reason**. The Advent retreat will be led by Fr. Ronan Murphy. More information to follow.

**CHRISTMAS COOKIES FOR THE HOMEBOUND**

We are happy to continue with what has been a parish tradition for almost 20 years, our Christmas Cookie Project to benefit the homebound in our parish. Bakers are needed to drop off their cookies to the church narthex on Monday, December 12. All types of homemade cookies are appreciated. Please contact Ellie Alber at 908-204-8988/[elliealber@gmail.com](mailto:elliealber@gmail.com) or Ann Ryan at 908-580-9740/[alr222@me.com](mailto:alr222@me.com) if you can contribute. Thank you for furthering the mission of St. Vincent de Paul Parish.



**ST. VINCENT’S ADULT CHOIR**



Help our Music Ministry grow! Right now is the best time to join the choir for a long or short term commitment. We are looking for singers and musicians to fill our ranks for Advent and Christmas. Come join in the holiday spirit and sing some of your favorite Christmas and Advent songs with the choir! It is a wonderful way to give of your time and talent to God’s people. Please contact Elena for more details at 907-953-0128 or [elenatbird@gmail.com](mailto:elenatbird@gmail.com).

**BOLD MIDDLE**  
BYOP was so much fun!



**Join us next time for Elves on Strike!**  
Who: 6, 7, & 8 graders  
When: Dec. 2, 7 - 8:30pm  
Where: JP11 Room  
Sign up: [boldym.com/svdp/signup](http://boldym.com/svdp/signup)




**BOLD 8**  
youth ministry by fiat ventures

We had an awesome turnout last time, don't miss out on the fun! Join us for our next TNL:

Who: All high schoolers  
When: Nov. 22, 7:30 - 9pm  
Where: JP11 Room

Bring a friend and get free pizza!



**Do-Not-Miss Events!**

- 12/6: TNL - 7:30pm, JP11
- 12/20: TNL Christmas Party!
- 2/10-12: BOLD Ski Trip
- 7/30-8/5: Appalachia Trip

For more info such as calendar, contacts, sign ups & events  
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**BOOK CLUB SERIES WITH SR. ELSA**



**Mondays from 9:15am to 10:45am** join Sr. Elsa's **Book Club** series in the Pastoral Center Library. Come and participate with Sr. Elsa as she leads the discussion from *Praying with Women of the Bible* featuring women from the Old and New Testament. Every Monday a different woman from the Bible will be discussed utilizing scripture, prayer and raising questions from our own lives. For more information feel free to call or email Sr. Elsa at 908-295-4944 or [srelsa@stvdop.org](mailto:srelsa@stvdop.org).

**CHRISTMAS SPECTACULAR  
RADIO CITY MUSIC HALL**

**Wednesday, December 14, 2016**  
\$100 per person which includes dinner at St. Vincent's, transportation and a visit to Rockefeller Center prior to the 8pm show. There are still tickets available so visit our website or call the parish office to purchase tickets.

**BREAKFAST WITH SANTA**

All are invited to come and enjoy the fun and festivities at our annual Breakfast with Santa on **Saturday, December 3 at 10am in the Parish Pastoral Center**. If you can volunteer your time to help out and/or wish to purchase tickets please visit our website at [www.stvincentschurch.org](http://www.stvincentschurch.org)

**HELP SUPPORT BRIDGES**

**Coat and Blanket Drive**  
Girl Scout Troop #870 will be collecting gently used or new coats and blankets for the homeless for the upcoming Bridges Run. Donations will be collected in the church narthex until November 30.

**FOOD PANTRY NEEDS**

The cupboard is bare! The Food Pantry is in need of the following items: coffee, hot chocolate, canned corn, peas, carrots, beets, mixed vegetables, black beans (dry or canned), pinto beans, navy beans, chicken noodle soup, vegetable soup, chicken and rice soup, peanut butter and especially rice. Thank you in advance for your generosity to those in need.

**The Orchestra of St. Peter by the Sea**  
conducted by  
**Fr. Alphonse Stephenson**

**CHRISTMAS CONCERT**  
**St. Vincent de Paul Church**  
**Saturday, December 10, 2016 at 7:30 PM**  
**\$30/Ticket**

For tickets mail your name, address and the number of tickets you want with payment in the form of a check or money order payable to St. Vincent de Paul Church to:

**St. Vincent de Paul Church**  
**250 Bebout Avenue**  
**Stirling, NJ 07980**  
**ATTN: Karen Nyquist**  
For questions, contact Karen  
**908-612-5971**

Tickets may also be purchased online at [www.stvincentschurch.org](http://www.stvincentschurch.org). Tickets will be mailed to you upon receipt of payment. **Tickets will also be sold after all Masses**

**UPDATE YOUR EMAIL ADDRESS**

Please update your contact information one of 3 ways: on the parish website under "Resources", by email, or call the parish office to ensure that you do not miss out on parish news and events!