

St Vincent Ferrer Catholic Community

Madison Heights, Michigan www.stvincentferrer.net

SEPTEMBER 4, 2022 † TWENTY-THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

From the Pastor

The Christian life is a commitment of love. Commitment in our increasingly secular culture is fraught with countless and contradicting challenges. So much in our consumer culture of technology and immediate gratification works against the commitment of strong personal relationships of love. It should be clear to any believer that our commitment of love is to a person, Jesus Christ whom we proclaim as Lord and Redeemer through the mystery of the Cross.

The mature Christian believes in a God of love expressed in three ways of being. Traditionally we experience God as Father, Son, and Holy Spirit whereby the Father creates, the Son redeems, and the Holy Spirit sanctifies. The Holy Spirit fills us with the life of God revealed in the power of the Incarnate Risen Christ. Faith is a personal relationship with Jesus who humbly accepted our human flesh to reveal the immediate presence of the invisible, transcendent Godhead.

Our commitment to the Christian way is grounded in a secure trust with love for God who created us freely and willingly out of love as a perfect gift. God first loved us and confirmed that love in the redemption of the Lord Jesus. If you say you are a Christian, you are saying you love God, you commit to loving Jesus and his way of life, and that you believe in the presence and action of the Holy Spirit. These are non-negotiable realities of any professed Christian.

The scriptures today challenge us to the cost of following Jesus. Those committed to love do not follow their own way, but the way of the beloved. Marriage is a good example. To marry another is a clear commitment to be for the other person with your whole self. Sacrifices are made, plans are compromised, or abandoned in the service of the other person. This is a mutual sharing of life grounded in love rather than an obedient servitude.

As Creator, Redeemer, and Sanctifier, God is the origin and source of all love. We love God only in the realization that God first loved us. If we are loving God out of fear or obedience to avoid punishment, this is not a relationship that will bear any spiritual fruit. All our commitments of love flow from and are nourished by the love of God through the Lord Jesus.

When Jesus says we must 'hate' father, mother, children, sister, brother, and even our own life, he is telling us we must not be divided in our love. Love of God in Christ comes first. All other loves are reflected in and an expression of our love for God. The word hate in this context is an exaggeration to convey that nothing should be allowed to divide or stand in the

place of our love for Christ. In this setting, hate means to prefer Christ less than other loves we may hold.

În today's culture this feels radical. Who loves like that? This is the great tension. It does not mean we are to love the bonds of marriage and family less, but that we love family and others as a gift of love given to us from the Lord Jesus. The model and example of this love is built on self-giving surrender for others as Christ has done for us. This is called the way of the Cross as we yield to the needs of others out of love.

How do we find our way on such a path? Prayer is an indispensable necessity in the Christian life. There are many ways to pray. Most importantly, prayer must be sincere and open to the vulnerable reality of our human nature in a way that we are able to experience the presence of God. Prayer is a relationship and friendship with Jesus. Personal prayer is different than saying prayers. When you fell in love with your spouse, you went deep inside yourself and felt a vulnerable but open desire to be all in for your beloved. You felt that love deeply and it changed you. Your life was changed forever.

True conversion is ultimately a matter of falling in love. To fall in love with Jesus is to pray deeply as you open yourself to the reality of his love for you. There are helps along the way, but only you can know and decide how to do that with Jesus and the Holy Spirit. Through prayer a mindfulness for God is created. In marriage you have a mindfulness for your spouse. They are in you. They are always with you. Children are the same. Bonds of love create personal mindfulness.

What is your mindfulness of Christ? This is an act of discipline built on love. It means working God into the mindfulness of your daily activity, no matter what you are doing. Such mindfulness unites the spiritual world with the material world. The spiritual is seen, felt, and realized in the activities of material daily living. God, faith, and the Christian life will never be realized through Sunday Mass alone. Falling in love with Jesus was the way of the first disciples. They loved the person of Jesus in the flesh. We are to do the same through the power of the Holy Spirit.

This is the life of the Cross that Jesus invites us to share with him in joy and in the challenges. This commitment only make sense with a true and committed love for Jesus in the deep awareness of his love for you. Trying to make it work without active love for God and others is more foolish than trying to push a car with four flat tires. Wind of the Spirit, fill me with love for Jesus in all I do.

Father John Esper

LITURGICAL SCHEDULE

DAILY MASS

8:00am Monday thru Thursday

WEEKEND MASSES

Saturday - 4:00pm

Sunday - 9:00am

Church doors open 1/2 hour before Mass begins

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION Saturdays 3:00 - 3:45pm in Adoration Chapel

Only one person allowed in chapel at a time. Persons seeking Sacrament of Reconciliation will be allowed in church to line up at 3:00pm



Live Streaming of Mass Monday thru Thursday 8:00am and Sunday 9:00am

One hour of Adoration on Tuesday following 8am Mass

Livestream of Rosary on Thursday following Mass

Search for St. Vincent Ferrer Catholic Church (in Madison Heights) on youtube to find our channel or connect via our APP or website

PARISH CONTACT INFORMATION

ST VINCENT FERRER PARISH OFFICE

28353 Herbert St., Madison Heights, MI 48071 248-542-8720 Fax 248-542-8721 Website: www.stvincentferrer.net

PARISH OFFICE HOURS

Monday through Thursday 9am to Noon - 1:00pm to 4:30pm Closed Friday, Saturday & Sunday

Parish Staff

Reverend John C. Esper, Priest in Solidum Deborah Tourville, Business Manager/Spiritual Direction

Sheryl Brown, Parish Secretary/Bulletin

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Carl Copen, Facilities Supervisor Alex Mototolea, Maintenance

FAITH FORMATION

For information on our Faith Formation Program contact the Parish office at 248-542-8720

For information on Baptisms, RCIA and Funerals contact the Parish Office 248-542-8720



MONDAY, September 5, 2022 Labor Day

9:00am Mass: Parishioners of St. Vincent Ferrer

TUESDAY, September 6, 2022

8:00am Mass: Paul Halkey† req. by Mary Jane Guc

WEDNESDAY, September 7, 2022

8:00am Mass: Christopher Hudy (Special Intention) req. by Mom

THURSDAY, September 8, 2022

8:00am Mass: Linda & James Lane req. by Terry Lane

SATURDAY, September 10, 2022

4:00pm Mass: Parishioners of St. Vincent Ferrer

Peter Conway req. by Mom

Gigi Cooper† req. by Bill & Mary Beth Hochstetler

Shirley Novak† req. By Dolores Bail SUNDAY, September 11, 2022

9:00am Mass: Parishioners of St. Vincent Ferrer Jean-Claude Elie, MD† req. by Fr. John Esper Veronica Gauron† req. by Andrew & Leny Lechniak Cathy McCarthy† req. by Bill & Mary Beth Hochstetler Dolores Eslava† req. by Bene Anderson



Happy Birthday Blessed Mother Mary!

September 8th

READINGS FOR THE WEEK OF Sept. 4, 2022



Sunday: Wis 9:13-18b; Ps 90:3-6, 12-17;

Phlm 9-10, 12-17; Lk 14:25-33

Monday: 1 Cor 5:1-8; Ps 5:5-7, 12; Lk 6:6-11,

or, for Labor Day, any readings from the Mass "For the Blessings of Human

Labor," nos. 907-911

Tuesday: 1 Cor 6:1-11; Ps 149:1b-6a, 9b; Lk

6:12-19

Wednesday: 1 Cor 7:25-31; Ps 45:11-12, 14-17; Lk

6:20-26

Thursday: Mi 5:1-4a or Rom 8:28-30; Ps 13:6;

Mt 1:1-16, 18-23 [18-23]

Friday: 1 Cor 9:16-19, 22b-27; Ps 84:3-6, 12;

Lk 6:39-42

Saturday: 1 Cor 10:14-22; Ps 116:12-13, 17-18;

Lk 6:43-49

Sunday: Ex 32:7-11, 13-14; Ps 51:3-4, 12-13, 17,

19; 1 Tm 1:12-17; Lk 15:1-32 [1-10]

A REFLECTIVE MORNING FOR SINGLES

September 18 is National Singles Day. There will be a reflective morning after the 9:00am Mass with breakfast and a chance to look deeper into our relationship with God and our relationship with our own personal self. Single people are often seeking for something or someone to fulfill their deepest longings. In a sense, everyone is seeking this. This morning is to help everyone, especially single people how to experience God in a deeper manner and how to experience the wounds and joys inside of us. It will be a morning to learn how to meditate, to learn how to open up to our feelings, and how to realize that we all are powerless over things and need to discover how to turn our powerlessness and helplessness over to God. In doing this we learn how to have better relationships with other people and learn how to have a better relationship with our own personal self. This will be a profoundly inspiring morning.

This morning will be facilitated by Fred Cavaiani LLP, LMT. Fred is a psychologist, marriage counselor and spiritual director. He has presented programs in over 150 parishes and in retreat houses throughout the United States. He also conducts a meditation group each week for the past 23 years. He has been writing an article called the Counselor's Corner for five Legal News Newspapers every two weeks for the past 23 years. Fred is an inspiring speaker and helps people find new depth in their lives. This program will start immediately after Mass and end at 11:45 PM. Welcome all single people for a chance to experience God.

Join us on Sunday, September 18th for Mass, a special blessing from Fr. John, a continental breakfast and a presentation by Fred Caviani, LLP, LMT

COST IS \$10 PER PERSON PAID IN ADVANCE.

To register: You may sign up after Mass in church back of church; register at the parish office during business hours or drop an envelope in the offertory basket indicating the Singles Celebration

Day and include your name.



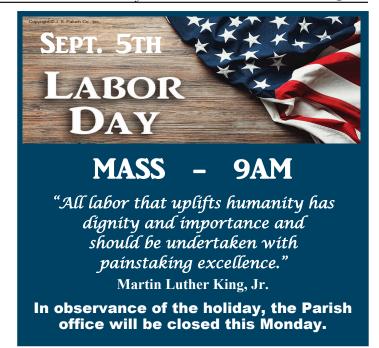
SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

Sunday: Twenty-third Sunday in Ordinary Time

Monday: Labor Day

Thursday: The Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary

Friday: St. Peter Claver Saturday: Blessed Virgin Mary





Pray for
....all government
leaders to seek wisdom
in finding a peaceful
resolution to the

Ukraine crisis.

...medical and humanitarian aid for the wounded in Ukraine and the refugees fleeing the country. ...the safety of men and women dedicated to protecting lives and freedom.

...the homeless and all who are suffering physically and emotionally due to economic conditions. ...all who are sick, homebound, undergoing or recovering from surgery, medical procedures, treatments or testing, and those who have made specific prayer requests.

Lord Jesus.

You are the Divine Physician and Healer. To You, we lift up in prayer all who aAre lonely, homeless, sick or addicted; all who are unemployed or underemployed; all who are anxious or depressed and all who are suffering in any way spiritually, physically or emotionally especially during this crisis. In their pain and brokenness, we ask that you bring them the comfort of your loving presence. In You, may they find strength for the day and hope for the journey.

SPIRITUAL BOQUETS FOR PRIESTS

In honor of Priesthood Sunday, September 25, the Office of Priestly Vocations is inviting parishioners to offer a spiritual bouquet for their pastors and associate pastors.

To learn more and sign up, visit: <u>detroitpriestlyvocations.com/priesthood-sunday/.</u>

INTERGENERATIONAL HEALING MASS

Wednesday, September 14, 2022 7:00pm

St. Vincent Ferrer Church

28352 Herbert St. Madison Heights, MI 48071

Presider: Fr. John Esper What is intergenerational healing?

We all understand the concept of material inheritance. After people die, they often leave money, property and possessions to family members.

We are also aware of a physical inheritance. Doctors always ask for the family medical history of a new patient. There is also a spiritual inheritance. We can thank God and family for the benefit from our virtuous ancestors going back a thousand generations (see Sirach 44:10-12). We are also adversely affected by the sins of parents, grandparents and great-grandparents and by the sins of the ancestors, who adversely affected them, with consequences that may extend to what is inherited materially, emotionally and physically.

In his book entitled *Intergenerational Healing*, Fr. Robert De Grandis writes: "intergenerational healing is, for the Christian, an opportunity to recognize and bring healing to family influences from the past, with implications for the future. Intergenerational healing suggests the possibility that negative acts and deeds of our ancestors can somehow enter our "bloodstream" and take a toll on future generations. Transforming the connection with these troublesome roots is what intergenerational healing is all about. It's an exciting, fascinating area of the healing ministry."

All are welcome.

LIMITS

Today's readings continue the theme of humility explored last Sunday. All three readings today encourage us to admit that we have limits, and God has none. The poignant poetry of Wisdom resonates with all of us who have ever struggled for peace in situations we cannot control: "For the corruptible body burdens the soul and the earthen shelter weighs down the mind that has many concerns." Saint Paul recognizes his own limitations, both physically (he is in prison) and spiritually: he cannot compel his friend to obey his wishes; he can only propose his request and respect Philemon's free will. In the Gospel, Jesus reminds us that God alone can complete the good we wish to do in the world. While we thank God for the gifts we receive—and the families we love—we acknowledge that they are temporary, and humbly cling to God.

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AN ENCOUNTER WITH THE HEALING CHRIST

A Manresa Silent Healing Retreat Friday to Sunday - September 23-25, 2022

There are quiet places in our hearts where we have placed doubts, memories, fears and hurts which need the loving hand of Jesus to heal. Receive His embrace during a precious few days of quiet and serenity. It is a place of peace where we can light a path which can lead to freedom, forgiveness, healing. God is waiting for you. Don't miss the invitation.

Directors: Fr. John Esper & Debbie Tourville



Weekend schedule:

Registration, Friday 5:00pm (Dinner 6:30pm) Closure of Retreat: Sunday at Noon

A nonrefundable deposit of \$50 is required for this retreat

You may register on line at www.manresa-sj.org For more information call 248.644.4933



EVANGELICAL SERVICE CORNER

FOOD PANTRY

Parishioners in need of food at this time can contact Doris at St. Mary Magdalen Parish (248-542-8060)

EYEGLASSES & HEARING AID COLLECTION

We continue to collect hearing aids and eyeglasses for the Lions Club. Donation boxes are at the church entrances. Please do not leave eyeglass cases.

MONTHLY CCSEM SENIOR FOOD COLLECTION September 10/11

Items requested:

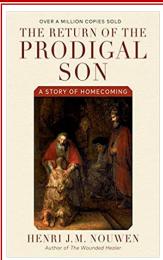
Individual lunchbox sized and packaged snacks like: Crackers, Granola bars, Cereal bars and Fruit snacks

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Soups, Stews, Chili, Ravioli, Spaghettios, Fruit, Vegetables

Gift cards in any amount are especially appreciated and used to buy perishable foods from:

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WEDNESDAY
MORNING
BOOK STUDY
beginning
Sept. 21, 2022

The Return of the Prodigal Son

A Story of Homecoming

Twenty-

third

Sunday in

Ordinary

Time

Henri J.M. Nouwen

In seizing the inspiration that came to him through Rembrandt's painting of the Prodigal Son, Henri Nouwen probes different aspects of the parable from the gospel story: the younger son's return, the father's restoration of sonship, the elder son's vengefulness, and the father's compassion. Henri takes us on a journey of exploring themes of homecoming, affirmation, and reconciliation in light of the human condition.

Series begins on Wednesday, September 21st after the 8am Mass. A light breakfast will be served. Please call the parish office at 248-542-8720 to register. Books are available online through Amazon or other book dealers.



O God, by whom we are redeemed and receive adoption, look graciously upon your beloved sons and daughters, that those who believe in Christ may receive true freedom and an everlasting inheritance.

Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives

Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God, for ever and ever.

Reflection question:

What would be true freedom for me?

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Parents who desire to have their infant or toddler baptized can contact Mary Ann in the Parish Office at 248-542-8720 to set up an appointment.

Ministry Schedule September 10/11 Mass Sat. 4 pm Sun 9 am

Mass	Sat. 4 pm	Sun 9 am
Sacristan	D Tourville	T Karolski
Reader #1	P Miles	A Goll
Reader #2	D Tourville	T Karolski
EME	M Hochstetler	L Yolkiewicz
	P Miles	A Goll
	T Riley	D Gray
Greeters	L Proszkowski	D Vu
	K Heffber	T Oparka
	L Collins	N Oparka
	R Bertolini	T Lane



COME, FOLLOW ME

"Come, follow Me" was the invitation Jesus gave to those who would be in a new relationship with God

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through Him. We who are

members of the St. Vincent Ferrer community have also heard and responded to this invitation. Our lives have been deeply touched by the Love of God celebrated here: through life-giving and healing sacraments, faith-sharing community, outreach to those in need and in many other ways. Is there someone whom you believe that God may be calling to share in this same life with us? If so, pray that they hear Jesus' invitation to them. If the occasion arises, invite them to "Come and see" through our RCIA process facilitated by Mary Ann Przybysz. Call (248) 542-8720 for further information.



Twenty-third Sunday in Ordinary Time

Wisdom asks us "Who can know God's counsel, or who can conceive what the Lord intends?" If we put this in contemporary language, we might say "You haven't got a clue!" There are times when none of us knows what is going on. Life is beyond our understanding. We seek loved ones,

mentors, friends, spiritual directors, and therapists to help us comprehend. This is a common theme through all of today's scriptures. Wisdom reminds us, "scarce do we guess these things on earth, and what is within our grasp we find with difficulty." Psalm 90 pleads, "Teach us to number our days aright, that we may gain wisdom of heart." Saint Paul is speaking on behalf of Onesimus, and begging Philemon to welcome him. Luke's Gospel is very challenging to hear. Today we see that not all the lessons we need to learn are pleasant or joyful, but they are timely.

MINISTRIES AND CALLS VOCATIONS AND AVOCATIONS

Prior to this week's Gospel, great crowds were beginning to follow Jesus. Excitement was building, as there were whispered conversations wondering if this were the long-awaited King that the Hebrews were hoping for. The crowd's idea of a king was very different, however, from what Jesus was offering. The king they were waiting for was a high priest, a Messiah. This was not the kingdom that Jesus was preaching, but rather one of pain, of carrying one's cross and burdens—a kingdom that one must not approach lightly, but make serious plans and efforts to help build. Too often we see this passage, thinking it harsh and referring only to those called to religious life. The truth is that we are all called to charity. Taking up our cross is not a call to suffer for the sake of suffering, but to pursue goodness and righteousness.

THE COST OF DISCIPLESHIP

The Cost of Discipleship is the name of the powerful book written by Dietrich Bonhoeffer, the theologian who was killed in a Nazi death camp. Today we see breakdowns in family relationships over religion and politics. We see those who forget how to forgive, and those who were never taught how to love. Bonhoeffer offered a message that could be applied to any story right out of the evening news. He said that Christian love doesn't distinguish between enemies, except that those who hate more bitterly are in greater need of love. Indeed, they should expect only unqualified love from a Christian. Bonhoeffer concludes that if one is not willing to love indiscriminately as a disciple of Christ, then one is not a Christian at all. When Jesus asks us today to take up our cross, he is asking us to take up the discipline of Christian love. Copyright © J. S. Paluch Co., Inc.



OUR FAMILY - MASS SCHEDULES

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No Mass on Thursday

St. Mary

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LABOR DAY

In 1894 President Grover Cleveland officially proclaimed the first Monday in September a day to honor all workers in the United States. Three years earlier, in 1891, Pope Leo XIII wrote an encyclical entitled *Rerum Novarum*, Latin for "new things." The new things Pope Leo wrote about were the rights and dignity and respect that should be given to all workers. Monday, September 5, the United States will celebrate Labor Day, a day that honors workers and remembers those who fought for laws that ensured that workers are treated with dignity and respect.

As Christians we believe that all honest work is good and holy, a way that we join God in the work of creation. Work is a chance for us to take the gifts and talents God has given us and use them for the good of our families and others. People work in many different ways. Some work with their hands to make things we need like clothes, food, and furniture. Others make things that are beautiful for us to enjoy—painters, jewelers, writers, poets, and composers of music. Still others do work that keeps us

safe—road repairers, police and firefighters, and garbage collectors. Doctors, teachers, nurses, and counselors give their lives to helping others. Many people work at home, raising children, preparing meals, washing clothes, and keeping the family's home. On Labor Day we celebrate all people who work.

St. Joseph is the patron saint of workers. Joseph worked as a carpenter, a craftsman, and probably taught Jesus to work right alongside him. He is a good model of how our work helps others and gives praise to God. On this Labor Day, say a prayer for all the workers you know.

Make a list of all the different workers you know. Some people work with their hands, some work with their minds, some with their voices. Don't leave anyone out. What work would you like to do when you grow up?

These are some of the workers I know.	This is the work they do.
St. Joseph, model of	of all workers, pray for us.

"Humility is a divine veil that covers our good deeds and hides them from our eyes."

—St. John Climacus



Sunday, Sept. 18, 2022 9am to 3pm St. Mary Church

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FREE TO LOVE

St. Paul must have understood today's Gospel very well. Like Jesus, he knew what being a disciple would cost. It landed him in prison. Yet he seems to have no regrets; he accepts that imprisonment as part of his discipleship. Also like Jesus, he is not afraid to ask others to take that discipleship seriously. And he is not ashamed to ask a favor: Would Philemon accept his runaway slave, Onesimus, back into his home? Not just as a slave, but as a member of his family. He shamelessly calls himself a prisoner for Christ five times in the short letter (three times in our reading). If that didn't tug Philemon's heartstrings, Paul also calls himself an old man.

In the Gospel, Jesus talks about the cost of discipleship. Paul takes that a step further; he reminds us to accept that cost freely. He could have ordered his friend to free the slave. Paul was an apostle, a leader in the early church. Instead of giving an order, he called on Philemon to respond freely to his request. Perhaps we can learn from that example.

Like Paul, when Jesus commands us to love one another, he leaves us free to accept that challenge. Remember, he always says, "Love one another, as I have loved you" (John 13:34). Jesus was never compelled to cure anyone or forgive their sins. No one ordered him to feed the hungry with loaves and fishes or raise Lazarus from the dead. Yet how often do we go to church because we were told we have to? Do we volunteer for the picnic only because the pastor twists our arm? Or do we love Jesus so much that we volunteer to help without being asked? Do we love Jesus enough to invite others to follow him?

We can live life just doing what we have to. Or when Jesus offers us a new motive—love for God because God loves us—we can choose to follow him freely. In John's Gospel, there is no Agony in the Garden. He shows us that Jesus chose to obey his Father and willingly took up the cross. Let us ask the Spirit to fill us with the freedom to love.



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