

ST VINCENT FERRER CATHOLIC CHURCH



ALL SAINTS DAY

"When Jesus saw the crowds, he went up the mountain, and after he had sat down, his disciples came to him. He began to teach them." Matthew 5:1-2

LITURGICAL SCHEDULE

ST VINCENT FERRER MASS TIME

SUNDAY - 9:00AM - LIVESTREAMED



Liturgy of the Word 9:00am
(also livestreamed)
followed by
Silent Adoration on
Tuesdays until 10:30am

Liturgy of the Word 9:00am
(also livestreamed)
followed by **Rosary on**
Thursdays



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

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

St. Mary: 730 S Lafayette, Royal Oak 48067

Tuesday: 7:30 to 8:30pm

Friday: 6:30 to 7:30am

Saturday: 3:00 to 4:00pm

National Shrine: 2100 W 12 Mile Royal Oak 48073

M thru F: following 6:30 Mass until all heard but no later than 8am

Saturday: following 8:30 Mass until all heard but no later than 10am

MASS INTENTIONS SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 8, 2026

Deceased Members of St. Vincent Ferrer Parish
Jason Bertolini† req. by Family
Gene Bosetti† req. by Meg & Sam Lamerato
Jean Pietraszewski† req. by Mary Jane Guc
Living & Deceased Members and Families of Fr. Heary
K of C Council
Parishioners of St Vincent Ferrer 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
Friday 9am to Noon
Closed Saturday, & Sunday

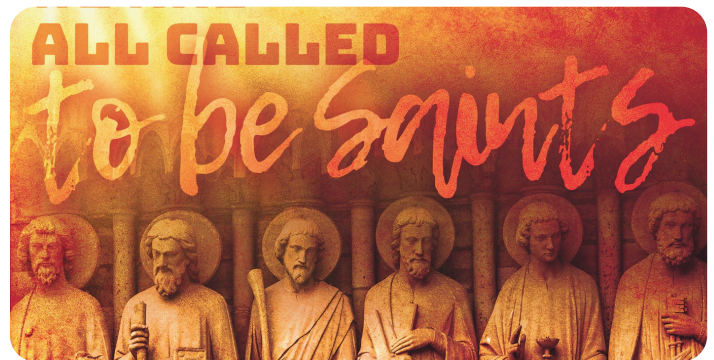


Reverend Paul Snyder, Administrator, FOP Moderator
Reverend Jude Inweregbu, Mass celebrant
Deborah Tourville, Bus. Mgr/Adult Faith Formation
Sheryl Brown, Parish Secretary/Bulletin Editor
Jim Balistreri, Music Coordinator
Carl Copen, Facilities Supervisor
Alex Mototolea, Maintenance

For sacramental information or funerals
contact the Parish Office 248-542-8720

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Sunday: Rv 7:2-4, 9-14/Ps 24:1bc-2, 3-4ab, 5-6/
1 Jn 3:1-3/Mt 5:1-12a
Monday: Wis 4:7-14/Ps 25:6, and 7b, 17-18, 20-
21/Rom 5:17-21/Mt 11:25-30
Tuesday: Phil 2:5-11/Ps 22:26b-27, 28-30ab, 30e,
31-32/Lk 14:15-24
Wednesday: Phil 2:12-18/Ps 27:1, 4, 13-14/Lk 14:25-
33
Thursday: Phil 3:3-8a/Ps 105:2-3, 4-5, 6-7/Lk 15:1-
10
Friday: Phil 3:17-4:1/Ps 122:1-2, 3-4ab, 4cd-5/
Lk 16:1-8
Saturday: Phil 4:10-19/Ps 112:1b-2, 5-6, 8a and
9/Lk 16:9-15
Next Sunday: Wis 6:12-16/Ps 63:2, 3-4, 5-6, 7-8/
1 Thes 4:13-18 or 4:13-14/Mt 25:1-13



ALL SAINTS DAY REFLECTION

I heard a story the other day of a very holy man. The commentator said, "We shouldn't call him a saint. If we sanctify him, we don't have to imitate him." This is precisely the opposite of the meaning of saints! Throughout the Church's history, we have honored saints, but not to set them apart. We honor saints to remind us what is possible for a person who loves God. The saints have stories as varied as our own. We have bishops, martyrs, teachers, doctors, former thieves and prostitutes, politicians and kings, soldiers and pacifists, single mothers, desert hermits - the list goes on! On this Solemnity of All Saints, we remember this garden of holiness, rich with diverse flowerings of a holy life. When you look at the life of your favorite saint, ask yourself, "How can I imitate this person? What is possible for me when I love God?"

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November 1-15

Thanksgiving Food Drive

Please make donation choices only from these items

- Stuffing
- Gravy
- Instant Mashed Potatoes
- Cranberry sauce
- Canned Vegetables
- Dessert Mixes: Brownie, Cake & Pie Filling

This year, all our donations will go to to Catholic Charities of Southeast Michigan CCSEM to help provide dinners for over 300 people.

All Saints' Day

At the end of her short life, my hero, St. Thérèse of Lisieux, found herself in a curious position. Audaciously, she was convinced that she would become a great saint and would be loved by many after her death. At the same time, she insisted that she was weak, impatient, and ordinary. She became arguably the greatest saint in modern times. How is it possible that an ordinary and imperfect person can also be a great saint?

On this All Saints' Day, Jesus overturns our assumptions about holiness. He says, "Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven" (Matthew 5:3). The blessed are not the impressive or the self-sufficient, but the poor in spirit, the meek, the merciful, and the persecuted. These are not heroic traits by normal standards. They are signs of a heart that has learned to rely on God rather than itself. That's what St. Thérèse, and all the saints, are all about. All Saints' Day is not a celebration of spiritual elites. Rather, it announces what grace can do in our ordinary lives. The saints are not those who avoid weakness or suffering, but those who allow these things to deepen their trust. What good news for us! The smaller and weaker we are, the more qualified we are to be great saints.

— Father John Muir
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All are welcome to our All Souls Day Mass of Remembrance this Monday, November 2nd at 7:00pm to pray for all of our beloved deceased, especially deceased parishioners and those whose Funeral Mass was held at our parish this past year.

We Remember

*Kristi Shonts
Anna Maria Palm
Irene Kennedy
Jason Bertolini
Martin Karolski
Kathy Campbell
Gilles Le Blanc
Barbara Johns
Stephanie Olszewski
Angeline Crabb
Ernest Scheid
Pamela Olane
Lavon Puroll*

*Charlene Riddell
Jesse Giszczak
Theresa Kowalski
Mary Hammerle
James Smith
Dolores Bail
Phyllis Cottrell
Rosemarie Tye
Eugene Bosetti
Mike & Jean
Pietraszewski
Jeanette Kage
David Karolski*

May all our deceased loved ones be welcomed into paradise.

REGARDING MASS INTENTIONS

Mass intentions requests are limited to five on our Sunday Mass now. Currently, there are no available dates through the end of 2026. Mass intention requests for 2027 will not be accepted until mid-December.

Mass intention donations that have not been confirmed will be returned to the donor.

CATHOLIC TRIVIA - JUST FOR FUN

Question: How many different Masses during the liturgical year honor Mary, Mother of Jesus? ©LPi

Answer: Fourteen

Many people
mistake our
work for our
vocation.
Our vocation
is the love
of Jesus.

-St. Teresa of Calcutta



Pray For...

...government leaders everywhere to seek wisdom in finding peaceful solutions to world wars and tensions.

...medical and humanitarian aid for those suffering from hardship due to catastrophic weather, fires, floods, wars, earthquakes and disasters.

...respect for life from conception to natural death

...the safety of men and women dedicated to protecting lives and freedom.

...the homeless, the addicted and all who are suffering physically, spiritually, mentally, and emotionally.

...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 are 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. 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. Amen



NOVEMBER
MONTH OF
Souls in Purgatory



NOVEMBER 1-7, 2026

Father you call each one of us by name and ask us to follow you.

Bless your church by raising up dedicated and generous leaders from our families and friends who will serve your people as Sisters, Priests, Brothers, Deacons, and Lay Ministers.

Inspire us as we grow to know you, and open our hearts to hear your call.

We ask this in Jesus name. Amen.

MEN'S FELLOWSHIP & SCRIPTURE REFLECTION

Saturday, November 7th at 9:00am

Faith Formation Office in School



The men's fellowship group gathers for a scripture reflection/sharing every other Saturday. All men are welcome. No fees or registration are required.

INSPIRATION FOR THE WEEK

Got a broken heart? Rejoice! An empty bank account? Rejoice! Are you undervalued, overlooked? Rejoice! In the Beatitudes, Jesus offers more than just sweet sayings. He offers a challenge, one we can only meet if he is at our side: rejoice!

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JOIN OTHERS IN PRAYING THE ROSARY

All are welcome to come and pray the rosary at 6:30pm on Monday evenings followed by Immaculata group consecration prayers for those who wish to remain.

Gathering will be in the Admin dining hall or in the Faith Formation office in the school building. Rosaries and prayers are available for those who need them.



WHY DO WE DO THAT? CATHOLIC LIFE EXPLAINED

WHY DO CATHOLICS CARE ABOUT THE SAINTS?

Question: Why do Catholics care about saints?

Answer: One of the statements of faith we make when we pray the Nicene Creed and the Apostles Creed is that we believe in “the communion of saints.” The Catechism of the Catholic Church reminds us that this communion (another word for community) includes all the faithful on earth, the souls in Purgatory, and the blessed women, men, and children who are in heaven. This teaching is grounded in our belief that, through Baptism, we are united with Christ and to one another with bonds that are stronger even than death.

And so from the time of the early Church, Christians have turned to other believers for prayers and assistance, including those who have gone before us, confident that God hears the prayers of all of His children. While we ask the saints (and one another) for prayers and support, we remember that the saints join us in prayer. But it is God who blesses and sanctifies us.

When we think of the saints in heaven, we have to remember that we can turn to them for intercession and assistance because they were faulted, limited human beings, just like us. This means that they are able to understand our struggles, doubts, fears, joys, and hopes. But as we learn their stories, we can also begin to recognize that they stand out in the history of the Church because they persevered in their commitment to follow Christ. Whether they were ordained, vowed religious, martyrs, husbands, wives, or even children, they show us that holiness is possible. We can not only follow their example but also benefit from their prayerful support.

Our devotion to the saints and gratitude for their witness, prayers, and protection should also be an inspiration for us, especially when we become aware of the needs of others or when others ask us to pray for them. We are called to share the blessings we receive. This is also part of our own journey of growing in holiness. ©LPi

QUESTIONS OF THE WEEK FOR REFLECTION

1st Reading: Rv 7:2-4, 9-14

Question: John sees a vision of a new Israel consisting of every race and nation who has suffered for their faith in Jesus. Would you say you have suffered for the Faith?

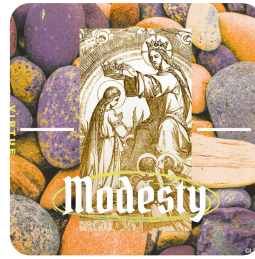
2nd Reading: 1 Jn 3:1-3

Question: John speaks of the “children of God” as those who have a deep abiding hope in one day being like Jesus. What do you imagine “to be like Jesus” looks like?

Gospel: Mt 5:1-12a

Question: Jesus teaches the disciples that God uses the poor in spirit, the meek, the peacemakers, the merciful, etc., to help him build the kingdom of heaven on earth. How is God using you to build the kingdom of heaven?

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VIRTUES, EXPLAINED! CONNECT WITH TRADITION AND GROW YOUR FAITH *Modesty, Explained!*

One of the 12 fruits of the Holy Spirit is modesty, related to the cardinal virtue of temperance, or moderation of passions. It means “refusing to unveil what should remain hidden” and in doing so “protects the intimate center of the person” (CCC 2521). This virtue is a guide for how we interact with others in a way that honors their inherent dignity.

Christ notably said that those who look upon others with lust commit adultery in their heart (Matthew 5:28), indicating that modesty is concerned not just with action but with thoughts and interior disposition. Parents are obliged to instruct their children in the ways of modesty as part of teaching respect for others.

“The forms taken by modesty vary from one culture to another,” we read in the Catechism. “Everywhere, however, modesty exists as an intuition of the spiritual dignity proper to man. It is born with the awakening consciousness of being a subject”

(CCC 2524). ©LPi

MINISTERS SCHEDULE

November 8, 2026

MASS	9:00AM
Sacristan	L Yolkiewicz
Reader #1	T Riley
Reader #2	D Gray
EME	M Kairis
EME	J McCown
EME	R Pasiak
Greeter	T Lane
Greeter	M McLaughlin
Greeter	D McLaughlin
Greeter	P Miles

Traveling Chalice Host Beginning November 8, 2026

Stan & Linda Yolkiewicz

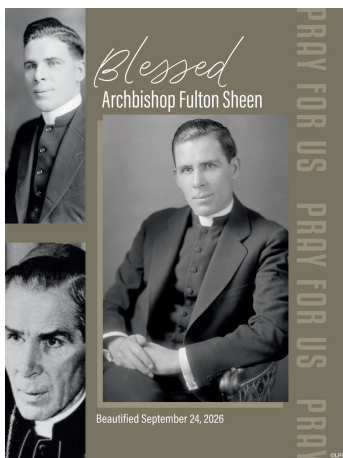
Everyday Saints

Growing up I thought saints were larger than life people with extraordinary stories. The thought that I could one day be revered as a saint by anyone seemed crazy. I wrote my essays on different saints every year in Catholic school right around All Saints Day. These were stories about people I had never met, and I assumed I would never meet anyone like them going forward.

Now that I am older, I realize that I was wrong back then and my immaturity of both mind and heart did not allow me to see that there are saints among us all the time. I have met many people in my life that I would call living saints. They are holy people who give of themselves to God and others in profound ways. Their relationship with Jesus is evident and they live their lives in ways that people witness the transformative power of love.

As a child I was wrong about saints, but even more importantly, I didn't fully realize that all of us are called to be saints! Me, a saint? Holiness is not something simply studied in books. It is the way of life we are all called to live. The call comes from Jesus Christ and each of us must respond. If we are still thinking like children, we may choose to stay silent and live accordingly. If we are more mature in our faith then we might not only respond, we might one day have a school child write a report about us.

— Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS
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*"Moral principles
do not depend on a
majority vote.*

*Wrong is wrong, even
if everybody is wrong.
Right is right, even
if nobody is right."*

--Archbishop Fulton J.
Sheen

Archbishop Fulton J. Sheen was officially beatified on Thursday, September 24, 2026, at a historic Mass in St. Louis, Missouri. He now holds the title of "Blessed," marking the final major step before potential sainthood.

THE SURVIVORS

by Colleen Jurkiewicz Dorman

"I'm no saint."

We hear people say this all the time, and what they usually mean is this: "I've made mistakes." Well, congratulations! You have taken that first crucial step to sainthood. You're well on your way!

A saint is not a person with fewer-than-average mistakes. A saint is a person with greater-than-average hope.

What is hope? Hope is certainty in the promises of God over the merits of man. Hope is what makes a Christian rejoice when he hears the litany of earthly trials described in the Beatitudes, because hope makes him see not the trials but the grace promised through them.

Hope remembers, always, that God is in the business of bringing life from death.

"These are the ones who have survived the time of great distress." (Rev. 7:14) This is how we hear the saints described in the Book of Revelation. We do not hear: "These are the ones who were perfect. These are the ones who had no faults. These are the ones who made good choices."

No — these are the ones who survived.

We are all buried in the rubble heap of sin and death. Many of us despair and cry, "We cannot climb out!" The saint is the one who has the hope to answer, "But Someone is coming. Just wait." The saint is the one who looks for the sliver of light, who reaches for it even when everyone else dismisses it as illusion.

Follow the saints. They know how to survive.

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Observances of the Week

- Sunday: All Saints; Daylight Saving Time Ends; National Vocation Awareness Week
- Monday: The Commemoration of All the Faithful Departed (All Souls' Day)
- Tuesday: St. Martin de Porres, Religious; Election Day
- Wednesday: St. Charles Borromeo, Bishop
- Next Sunday: 32nd Sunday in Ordinary Time



FAMILIES OF PARISHES

MASS SCHEDULE

National Shrine of the Little Flower Basilica
2100 W. 12 MILE, ROYAL OAK, 48073

SATURDAY- 8:30am and
4:30pm (livestreamed)
SUNDAY-7:30am, 9:30am, 11:30am, 6:00pm
3:30pm (Spanish)
(MONDAY THRU FRIDAY)
6:30am (livestreamed), 8:30am

St. Mary Magdalen
50 E Annabelle Ave. Hazel Park, 48030
WEDNESDAY - Noon
SUNDAY - 11:00am

St. Mary
730 S. Lafayette, Royal Oak, 48067
SATURDAY - 4:30pm
SUNDAY - 9:00am, 11 am
MON, TUES, THURS, FRI - 7:30am

REPORT ABUSE

To make a report or contact the Abuse Hotline:

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Financial Stewardship Giving - Week Ending October 25, 2026

Fiscal Year 7-1-26 to 6-30-27	Budgeted	Actual	Over/Under	YTD
Offertory Envelopes Used & e-fund participants	220	24		
Offertory	\$ 5,185.00	\$ 5,031.80	(153.20)	(8,876.83)
Energy/Hospitality/Flowers/Candles/Mass Intentions	472.00	96.00	(376.00)	(3,727.00)
Fundraising: Budget Deficit Envelopes/CSA Refunds	1,673.00	* 990.00	(683.00)	(13,543.00)
Bequests: Free Will				483.00
AOD Collection: Priest Retirement Fund				1,125.00
AOD Collection: Propagation of the Faith		1,020.00		1,395.00
Holy Days: All Saints/Souls Immac. Concep, Mary Mother		155.00		894.00
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