

Welcome to *St. Vincent de Paul*

Catholic Church

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Mass Times: 10am Sundays, 1st Friday

6:45pm, Holy Days & Holidays TBA

Holy Hour: 1st Friday 6pm

Confessions: Following 10am Mass
and by Appointment

4th Sunday of Advent – December 23, 2018

STAFF

Rev. Leo Ahanotu, Pastor

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Parish Manager: Gretchen Soerries

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Secretary: Sarah Jameson

Music Ministry: Kelli Bogner & Fran MacArthur

SACRAMENTAL PREPARATION

Baptism: Baptismal instructions are required for all parents and Godparents. Baptisms are scheduled as needed.

Confirmation: Instructions integrated in youth faith formation with additional instruction.

Matrimony: Those desiring marriage should contact Rev. Leo Ahanotu at least six months prior to considered date at 918/201-5225.

Anointing: The homebound or hospitalized who wish to receive the sacraments should call Rev. Leo Ahanotu at Holy Cross. Any person wishing to celebrate the sacrament of the Sick should contact Father at 918/201-5225.

YOUTH FAITH FORMATION

Grades 1-12 meet Sundays from 11:00am to 12pm. Contact Sarah Jameson for further details.

WEEKLY GIVING

12/9: \$512.00

12/16: \$895.00

PAPAL PRAYER INTENTIONS:

In the Service of the Transmission of Faith.

That people, who are involved in the service and transmission of faith, may find, in their dialogue with culture, a language suited to the conditions of the present time.

MASS INTENTIONS

Louis Merciez & The Unborn (See Father or Sarah for all Mass intentions)

PRAYER REQUESTS

In your charity, please these intentions in your prayer: Carl & Erna Miller, Katie Gibbs, Shannon Stokes, Rev. John Wade, Dick & Jeannie Dalton, Sharon Merciez, Payton Kannarr, Vonnie Minter, Jeanette Tichenor, Leo Nilges, Bill & Mary Reamy, Larry O'Daniel, Peggy Tolman, Danny Wybrant, Eric Coday, Paul Jennigan, Terry Minter, Maria Gutierrez, Suzanne Grisham, Tony Read, The Unborn, our military, Leslie Schuessler, Mike Gibbs, the parish and all special intentions.

DECEMBER BIRTHDAYS

In your charity, please remember those celebrating birthdays this month: Steve Soerries (12/1); John Welter (12/6); Lillian Geneva (12/8); Juana Hernandez (12/8); Erna Miller (12/22); Danny Grove (12/23)

SERVERS

MINISTERS FOR THIS WEEK	LAY MINISTERS	MINISTERS FOR NEXT WEEK
Kim Kannarr	ANNOUNCEMENTS <i>Anuncios</i>	Gretchen Soerries
Kim Kannarr Sarah Jameson	1ST & 2ND READERS <i>Lectores</i>	Gretchen Soerries Eddy LeMay
Deacon or Sarah Jameson	PRAYERS OF THE FAITHFUL <i>Oraciones de los fieles</i>	Deacon or Eddy LeMay
Michelle Green Jessica Owen	EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS <i>ministros eucarísticos</i>	Kim Kannarr Steve Soerries
Leah Jameson	SERVERS	DeLoise Johnson
Linker Family	GIFT BEARERS	Merciez Family
Mark Jameson Steve Soerries	USHERS <i>Ujieres</i>	Sean Kannarr Lia Lor

All volunteers in ministries or Councils of the Church are required to complete a **VIRTUS "Protecting God's Children"** and background check within the last five (5) years. If you have not done so, please log in to your account at www.virtusonline.org. *Todos los voluntarios en los ministerios o Consejos de la Iglesia deben completar un **VIRTUS "Protección de los hijos de Dios"** y verificación de antecedentes en los últimos cinco (5) años. Si no lo ha hecho, inicie sesión en su cuenta en www.virtusonline.org.*

Donna Eurich, Diocesan Safe Environment Coordinator, will be hosting a live training at St. Vincent DePaul on Sunday, January 13, after the 10am Mass. *Donna Eurich, Coordinadora Diocesana de Ambiente Seguro, será la anfitriona de una capacitación en vivo en St. Vincent DePaul el domingo 13 de enero, después de la misa de las 10am.*

- December 23, We need your help! Please stay after Mass to decorate the Church for Christmas. *¡Necesitamos tu ayuda! Por favor, quédate después de la misa para decorar la Iglesia para Navidad.*
- December 24, All are invited to join us for Christmas carols at 7pm followed by Christmas Vigil Mass at 7:30pm. *Todos están invitados a unirse a nosotros para los villancicos a las 7 pm, seguido de la Misa de Vigilia de Navidad a las 7:30 pm.*
- December 25, Christmas Morning Mass will be at 10am. *El 25 de diciembre, la misa de la mañana de Navidad será a las 10am.*
- December 31, The parish is hosting a New Year's Eve Party from 7-10pm. You and your families are invited to join in the festivities! *31 de diciembre, la parroquia está organizando una fiesta de fin de año de 7 a 10 p.m. ¡Usted y sus familias están invitados a unirse a las festividades!*
- January 1, The Solemnity of Mary Mass at 10am. *1 de enero, misa de solemnidad de María a las 10a.m.*

4th Sunday of Advent Year C

The Spirit of Christmas has been hovering around our cities and homes, and in a couple of hours, the festivity will start. The readings of this Fourth Sunday of Advent also incite the readiness for this great festivity. In the first reading, Prophet Micah wrote about the coming of Jesus. In the Gospel, St. Luke mentioned the infant Jesus in the womb of Mary, and the second reading (a letter to the Hebrews) narrated how Jesus comes to do the will of God. The three readings remind me of the book of John Keane, "**CHRISTMAS,**" where Keane writes about the catalyst of Christmas. The festivity of Christmas is a Blessed one, and that is why every effort to exterminate it had always ended with futility. Emperor Claudius tried and killed a multitude of Christians and never succeeded. Emperor Nero tortured and killed many Christians and ended with ineffectiveness in destroying Christianity and Christmas. Emperor Diocletian went as far as killing notable Christians, such as Saint Agnes of Rome, and Saint Sebastian, and others and never succeeded in destroying the joy of rejoicing for the birth of the Lord. Emperor Decius thought he could achieve it by killing Pope Fabian, and his efforts were futile. The festivity of Christmas has survived many other Christian terrorists such as Stalin, Hitler, Mussolini, and others. No human effort can reduce the message and joy of Christmas. May we continue to celebrate God's love for His children by sending our Lord, Jesus Christ for our salvation! I wish you a Happy Christmas and pray that God blesses our 2019.

Fr. Leo