



St. Viator Catholic Community Ministries & Organizations



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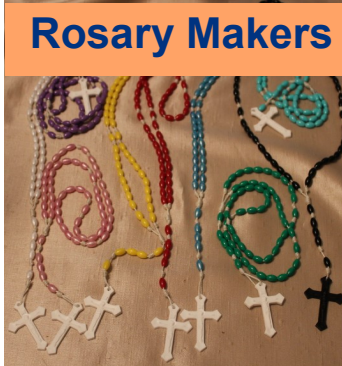
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Rosary Makers



Drama Ministry



Just 5 Days

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Dear Parishioners,

Volunteerism or Stewardship—there is a difference.

Volunteerism implies I have a choice; I can take it or leave it. Stewardship is a way of life. Stewardship is recognizing all that we have or are is a gift from God. Stewardship means I share my time, talents and treasure with the greater community. Monsignor Thomas McGread, a long time speaker on all things stewardship once said, “Once one chooses to become a disciple of Jesus Christ, stewardship is not an option.”

St. Viator Parish invites you to live your faith more deeply. This ministry book and our Ministry Fair will show you the many opportunities where you can help—it could be one day a year, one day a month, or whatever time you have.

We hope you will take a moment to read through this book, find a ministry that works best for you and your schedule. Please prayerfully consider how stewardship will be a part of your life.

Know you and your families are in my prayers.

Sincerely,



Father Richard Rinn, C.S.V.
Pastor

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Boy Scouts of America

Cub Scouting: A boy can begin as a Tiger Scout in First Grade, then become a Cub Scout, as a Second through Fifth grader. Many fun and age-appropriate projects are worked on during this time.

Boy Scouting: Open to any boy who has reached his 11th birthday or completed the Fifth Grade, or earned the "Arrow of Light" award as a Cub Scout.

Scouts are trained in citizenship, service, and leadership. Activities include learning first aid, fire-building and safety, cooking, knots, and many other outdoor skills. They also learn new things as they complete merit badge requirements and for some this knowledge has led to future vocations. At St. Viator scouting is part of youth ministry.

Both the Pack and Troop work within our

parish community to remind the scouts that their faith is at the front of any scouting activities. The Pack and Troop work closely with the Diocese Catholic Committee on Scouting (DCCS) and



National Catholic Committee on Scouting (NCCS) to encourage participation in and completion of the requirements for Catholic scouting religious awards including Light of Christ, Parvuli Dei and Altare Dei.

CONTACT: 702.733.8323 to leave a message for Boy Scouts - John Miller, Cub Scouts - Jacki Miller

"Give to our brothers and sisters throughout the world as if once more Jesus had come into the world cold, hungry, and alone." - Mother Teresa, National Catholic Daughters Day, October 15, 1972

Under the patronage of the Blessed Mother, the Catholic Daughters of the Americas are united by their faith in Jesus Christ. The CDA motto is "Unity and Charity." Formed in 1903 in Utica, New York, CDA is one of the largest organizations of Catholic women in the world. Today there are courts throughout the United States, in Puerto Rico, Mexico, Guam, the Virgin Islands, Kenya, and Peru. CDA national projects include Habitat for Humanity, Smile Train for children who suffer from cleft lip and palate, the Labour Society which encourages vocations to religious communities, Holy Cross Family Rosary, and SOAR (Support Our Aging Religious).



Catholic Daughters of the Americas®

At St. Viator, we encourage all Catholic women 18 years and older to join Catholic Daughters of the Americas. Together, we strive to serve and support our parish, the Las Vegas community and charitable organizations. We meet at 7:00 PM on the second Wednesday of each month in the Fr. White room of the parish center. See the exciting events we have planned for the upcoming year.

Contact: 702.733.8323 leave message for Loy Prado

Community Service Ministry

Bring the hands of Christ to the Las Vegas community through service projects. Groups of volunteers are needed by organizations for various events, including: working with agencies which help the hungry and homeless (including the Summer Lunch Program), assisting with holiday events, and participating in fund raisers.

Watch the parish bulletin or SVS *Viator Voice* for our Community Service Ministry's upcoming service opportunities.

Sign-ups will be available in advance.

CONTACT:
702.733.8323 leave message for Bob Schill



Drama Ministry

Drama Ministry gives you the opportunity to share your enthusiasm and talents with fellow members of St. Viator as part of Mass.



We're always looking for crew members as well as actors – adults as well as students! Commitment is made to one production at a

time, so you can see if the rehearsal and performance schedule fits your calendar. If you can make costumes or help with organizing props, we can also use your help.

CONTACT:
Bob Blaskey ministers@stviator.org
Watch the parish bulletin & SVS *Viator Voice*

Environmental Services

We make sure that the grounds surrounding God's House look as pristine and beautiful as possible by collecting any unsightly debris that might be dropped or blown there.

Every weekend an Environmental Services volunteer team spends one hour on Saturday morning picking up the litter that accumulates on the St. Viator grounds: water bottles, paper, tissues, cigarette butts, newspapers, bags, etc. Volunteer teams of at least two people are

scheduled for one Saturday morning, every other month, to perform this important task.

CONTACT: 702.733.8323 to leave a message for Nancy & Hank Poellinger



Family Liturgy Committee

The Family Liturgy Committee plans the 10:00 AM Family Mass. The Family Mass has been a 25 year tradition here at St. Viator.

Committee members help in many ways; training and scheduling youth lectors, planning special liturgies geared for the younger parishioners, for example: the Christmas Eve Nativity, The Pentecost Kites display, and Liturgical Dancers. Committee members can also help by making phone

calls or writing the Call to Worship. This is a great ministry for those with young children beginning their Catholic journey. The group meets one day a month typically after the 10:00AM Sunday Family Mass.

CONTACT:
702.733.8323 to leave a message for Jen Jones



Family Promise



Family Promise is a group of religious congregations providing shelter, meals, and assistance for three homeless families (no more than 14 people),

one week at a time. When St. Viator hosts Family Promise, we house our guests in the Parish Center.

Volunteers meet guests as they arrive at about 5:00 PM, serve a meal and may provide evening entertainment. In the

morning, guests are served breakfast before leaving about 7:00 AM (8:30 AM on the weekend) to spend the day at a “day site” searching for housing, jobs, and entitlements.

Volunteers are needed to provide, prepare, and serve dinner ... be an on-site presence in the evening or overnight ... and serve the breakfast that is provided. Time involved in these positions ranges from one to nine hours.

CONTACT:
Bob Blaskey ministers@stviator.org

Food Bank



Bring food donations to St. Viator to help 4 charities: Catholic Worker, Catholic Charities, St. Therese HIV Outreach & Las Vegas Rescue Mission.

Donations can be dropped off at weekend Masses or at the Parish Center on Wednesday morning between 8:00 AM & 11:00 AM. Please participate in sharing what

God has given with those in need.

The organizers of this ministry ask all of us to make a conscious effort to bring nonperishable food items at least once a month to help those in need.

If you would like to help in the food bank or have questions about what to donate -

CONTACT: 702.733.8323 to leave a message for Joe McCullough

Faith Formation for Youth

Religious Education-Faithways Youth Ministry

Religious Education offers faith formation through teaching, example and experience to students aged 5-17.

Practicing Catholics who enjoy being with children and want to share their faith can help out (don't worry – a curriculum and catechist handbooks are provided). Classes begin in September and end in April.

- **First-Fifth Grade** classes meet on Sunday from 1:15-2:15 PM in the St. Viator Parish Center.
- **Sixth, Seventh, Eighth (Faithways) and Ninth** (Pre Confirmation) classes meet on Sunday from 3:00-4:45 PM in the Parish Center followed by Mass at 5:00 PM
- **Confirmation** (10th grade and older) meet once a month on Sundays in the Parish Center 2:00 PM to 6:00 PM including the 5:00 PM Mass.
- **Students needing sacraments** attend their grade level class and receive their sacraments when they are ready.

If you aren't able to commit to being a teacher, you could also be an assistant or one-time presenter, or even sponsor an unbaptized youth or adult. If you've ever thought of helping students on their faith journey give us a try – you can do it and we need you!

Youth Ministry offers a safe and spiritual environment to the youth of our parish. All youth from 6th-12th grade have a variety of activities to take part in throughout the year.

Our middle school, Faithways group is open to all 6th-8th grade youth with weekly



gatherings and service and social projects through the year. Our High School youth nights are also held weekly and include a variety of retreats: National Evangelization Retreat (NET), LA Youth Day and the National Catholic Youth Conference (NCYC).

In addition we offer movie nights, Taizé prayer gatherings, sports nights, rosary prayer, homeless project, game nights, guest speakers and so much more.



We also have a variety of service opportunities to choose from. If your school requests service hours to be done outside of school, please contact the Office of Youth Ministry to volunteer.

Adult volunteers (college-aged and up) are needed as retreat chaperones, cooks for youth nights, donors of snacks and to make phone calls.

CONTACT:

Faith Formation for Youth Coordinator,
Rosy Hartz 702.733.0392
Email: RosyHartz@stviator.org

Girl Scouts

Besides offering the traditional Girl Scout activities which help our parish and community, the St. Viator troops work toward receiving the Catholic Girl Scout Award.

Girls and adults who belong to St. Viator or who attend our Parish School may be involved. If you have something to offer, whatever time you can give is appreciated. If you aren't able to commit to helping, please pray for the girls working on the



Catholic awards.

CONTACT: 702.733.8323 to leave a message for Leah Zeldin

Junior Catholic Daughters

The Junior Catholic Daughters of the Americas' (JCDA) goal is to foster God's gifts in girls; to build a culture of Catholic faith through service for others in our parish, community and the world. The mission of the youth program is to nurture personal and spiritual growth; to promote service to others and to foster an awareness and appreciation of diversity through a variety of activities and experiences.

Recent activities have included: earning the *I Live My Faith* award, Christmas caroling at

a local nursing home, donating to St. Jude's and other causes. We invite Catholic girls ages 6 through 18 who want to make a difference in the lives of others through volunteering and praying to join JCDA!



CONTACT:
702.733.8323 to leave a message for Lourdes Caeg

Knights of Columbus

We are the largest Catholic fraternal organization for men in the world. Our priorities are charity and fraternity for our Holy Father, religious, and those in need.

Any practicing Catholic male who is at least 18 can join the Knights and be part of our many activities such as the Tootsie Roll drive, Breakfast with Santa, Lenten Fish Fry, and social meetings.

If you join us, you'll have a sense of

belonging to an organization that shares your religious beliefs and helps those less fortunate.



CONTACT:
702.733.8323 to leave a message for Rick Sherman



Lenten Fish Fry

Liturgical Ministers:

Lectors, Altar Servers, Eucharistic Ministers

Liturgical Ministers are people -- **just like you** -- who help out at each Mass -- starting as young as Fourth Graders! Training is not time-consuming, but dedication and commitment are required!



To be a **Eucharistic Minister** and distribute the Body and Blood of Christ during Mass, you must be confirmed and at least 16. There is one training session.

If you are a **good public speaker**, you can become a **Lector** and proclaim the Scripture readings. You



must also be confirmed and at least 16 to be a Lector at all Masses except the 10:00 AM Children's Liturgy. There is one training session and a follow-up taping of your proclamation for review.

Altar Servers assist the priest during Mass and must be at least in the Fourth Grade. Parents and new Servers must attend an orientation meeting, which is followed by at-home study and a hands-on practice.



CONTACT: Please watch our parish bulletin for more information and training dates.

Ministers of Hospitality - Greeters & Ushers



Ushers and greeters are needed for all Masses, especially the noon mass and the 5 PM on Sunday. Other critical needs are during the holiday seasons, especially Christmas Day and Easter, including the Easter Vigil, Holy Thursday and Holy Day masses, 5 PM Vigil and the 12:15 PM mass.

If you can help only during Christmas or Easter or one Sunday a month or more we need you!

Greeters at St. Viator invite all to come worship with us and answer Jesus' call to welcome the strangers among us.

Ushers at St. Viator ensure the liturgy flows smoothly and all feel welcome to worship at our parish.

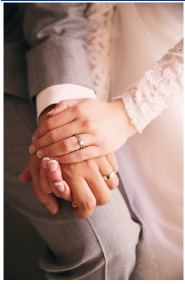
Ministers of Hospitality will be the first contact most people have when coming to St. Viator parish – in effect, you will be ambassadors of our community.



CONTACT:
Beth Schill 702.733.8323
Email: bschill@stviator.org



Marriage Preparation



Married couples who want to share their insights for a happy marriage can help engaged couples in our parish.

These one-day seminars are essentially a short course in "Marriage 101" and held two or three times a year.

Those who have presented information at the seminar have found it helped their own marriage as well!



CONTACT: Beth Schill
St. Viator Marriage Preparation Coordinator
702.733.8323 ext. 302
Email: bschill@stviator.org

Music Ministry



When you've attended any Mass at St. Viator, you've benefited from our Music Ministry. Besides providing music at all weekend Masses, we have a special adult choir for Easter and Christmas.

Anyone who is interested in music and would like to share their talents can join us. The Children's Choir begins with Third Graders, while the Youth Choir starts at Sixth Grade. If you can read music, you might be interested in the Hand Bell Choir, which is open to adults, as well as children attending our Parish School.

This is a fun ministry which builds self-esteem and confidence. You don't have to be a soloist—it's fun and you interact with others.

To sing with the adult choir at Mass each weekend, you need to attend a week night rehearsal. Adult Choir rehearsals are listed in the calendar section of the bulletin each week. Please consider joining the Christmas or Easter choir even if you do not sing in the choir each weekend of the year. The Christmas and Easter choirs rehearse for six weeks prior to the feasts of Christmas and Easter.

CONTACT:
702.733.8323 to leave a message for Cheri Scott-Ollila



Parish Office Workers



CONTACT:

Kamila Donati,
Parish Secretary,
702.733.8323 ext. 311
kdonati@stviator.org

Susan Lockett,
Parish Business Manager
702.733.8323 ext. 308
slockett@stviator.org

Do you have a few hours a week you can spare to help in our parish office? If you answered "YES" then we need YOU! Volunteers assist with duties such as filing and reception as well as other tasks.

Ann Bosque,
Parish Bookkeeper
702.733.8323 ext. 307
abosque@stviator.org

Pastoral Care Ministry



If you're looking for something that lets you meet new people in a spiritual setting, join us as a Pastoral Care Minister.

As a PCM, you will take Holy Communion to Catholic patients at Desert Springs Hospital, nursing homes, assisted living centers, and parishioners' homes. Anyone 18 and older is eligible for this ministry and your level of commitment can vary from weekly to once every four or five weeks. If your time is limited, you can still help with our semi-annual Anointing of the Sick Mass.



If you are involved a little or a lot, you will receive abundantly more of everything that you give to those you serve.

CONTACT: Nancy Scarbro by calling the office and leaving her a message.
702.733.8323



Pew Preparation



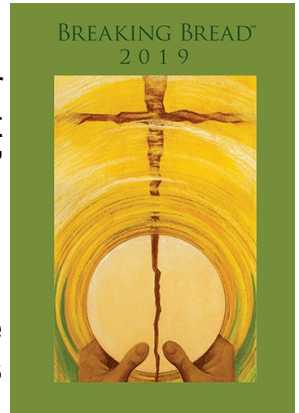
The interior of our church should be clean with hymnals and prayer cards easily accessible.

This encourages parishioners and visitors to feel welcome in our faith community.

Pew prep volunteers gather in our church on Fridays at 9:00 AM to inspect pews' supplies for weekend Masses.

Volunteers are welcome every week or as often as their schedule allows.

Contact: Beth Schill 702.733.8323 ext. 302
bschill@stviator.org



Rosary Makers & Crafty Ladies



The diverse and active members of the Rosary Makers craft rosaries to give away to the military, hospice and hospital patients. In this way we spread our shared devotion to Our Lord and His Blessed Mother by making and sharing the Rosary with the

world's spiritually needy.

Rosaries made by our group are also on sale in the church office. Come and see the beautiful selection.

The busy hands of the Crafty Ladies make hats and scarves for the homeless and baby blankets for unwed mothers in our community. Recipients of our "labors of love" are encouraged to know someone cares for them.

Join us on Tuesday mornings from 8:45 AM to 11:00 AM September through May and bring hope to others.



CONTACT:
702.733.8323 to leave
a message for
Valerie Johnston

For the past 50 years, our parish school has been committed to providing a quality Catholic education where the gospel message of Jesus Christ is lived, learned and shared in a warm, safe learning environment. The administration, faculty, staff, students, parents, clergy, and parish community collaborate to develop the whole person spiritually, morally, academically, and physically.



Our Parish School has a full day Preschool and two classrooms Kindergarten to 8th grade.

School parents and parish volunteers can model Christian living by sharing their time, talents, and experiences with our school community in a variety of ways: assisting in the school office, helping with parking lot traffic control, assisting in the library, coaching a sports team, helping with the Parent Teacher Organization, or even donating copy paper.

CONTACT: St. Viator School Office 702.732.4477

St. Viator Parish School Foundation

Volunteering at SVS Foundation annual dinner and auction is a great way to get involved with our school community and ensure its continued success.

The mission of the Foundation is to assist with the capital improvement needs of our school facility and to help keep tuition affordable to our school families while honoring individuals who have made a significant difference within our community.

It takes a year of planning and many volunteers with a variety of talents to make this event a success.

CONTACT: St. Viator School Office
702.732.4477



St. Viator School Foundation



R.C.I.A. Team

RCIA

The Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults (RCIA) prepares **those who have never been baptized** to receive instruction for full initiation into our Catholic Faith. It also prepares those who are still in need of the Sacrament of Confirmation.

Classes are held Sunday mornings from September to May in the Chapel Meeting Room beginning with dismissal from the 10:00 AM Liturgy and lasting until Noon.

Reception of the Sacraments of Baptism, Eucharist and Confirmation take place during the Easter Vigil.

You can be part of this very rewarding experience in a variety of ways:

- **sponsor** an adult and walk the faith journey with him/her
- **discuss** the readings of the day with the group or **present a lesson** on the Catholic Faith
- **provide** refreshments

CONTACT: 702.733.8323 to leave a message for Mary Rector



2018 R.C.I.A. Class

Taste of St. Viator



The people of St. Viator have diverse backgrounds and come from all over the United States and beyond. What better way to celebrate our cultural diversity than through FOOD!

Come be a part of this wonderful evening of food and music which brings our faith community together!

This event requires many heads and hands to plan, prepare and serve the food.

Come join the FUN!

Contact: 702.733.8323 to leave a message for Chef Tom Rosenberger



Welcoming Committee

Our Parish Welcoming Committee makes it easy to register as a member of our community before or after Mass. We're looking for friendly and approachable parishioners willing to help at the Mass you attend on the first full weekend of the month. You would take care of the table, helping with registration and answering questions about our parish (don't worry we'll give you the answers).

This provides a useful service and is a

wonderful opportunity to meet new people without a large time commitment.

CONTACT: 702.733.8323
to leave a message for Robert Baggs

Or talk to any
Committee Member
at the Welcoming
table at Mass



Women's Guild

All women who attend St. Viator parish are automatically members of the Women's Guild. To become an active member, just attend one of our monthly meetings or help at one of our bake sales or bazaars.

We are a service organization helping our parish in a variety of ways: serving refreshments after the Holy Saturday Vigil, Lenten Reflection Services and other special events. The Guild holds two major fund raisers each year -- the Christmas Bazaar in November and the Palm Sunday Bake Sale. Funds from these events go to support special needs of the Parish.

You can choose the level of your involvement, from one event to participating in monthly meetings, to baking or just special events.

We enjoy the fellowship of working together, and feel that we are a vital part of God's work within our community.

CONTACT:

702.733.8323 to leave a message for

Pat Ellis, President

Leah Zeldin, Vice-President

Beth Schill, Treasurer, bschill@stviator.org

Jessica Monsour, Secretary



Opportunities for Personal Growth and Special Help



Grieving the Loss of a Loved One – Or Know Someone Who Is?

Bereavement Ministry presents GriefShare, a 13-part weekly seminar and support group designed to help you rebuild your life. Each seminar is unique so you can join the GriefShare group at any point during the 13 weeks.

We know it hurts and we want to help.

For information, visit GriefShare.org
To register for an upcoming session please contact the parish office
702.733.8323 or email Ministers@stviator.org

A donation of \$20 is suggested to cover the cost of the workbook and other materials.



New Beginnings Support Group

After you have completed GriefShare you may want to consider joining the New Beginnings Support Group. We meet every Wednesday at 10:00 AM in the Chapel Meeting Room below the church. We spend time with prayer, Bible reflections and discussion to deepen our faith and trust in God. We also spend time socializing and giving back to our community.

We all have the same experience, we have lost a loved one, we know life goes on; the New Beginnings Support Group supports us on this journey. Please join us!

Our thoughts and prayers are with you!

CONTACT 702.733.8323 to leave a message for Louise Geracci



Sorting Giving Tree Items



Serving lunch to Catholic Charities clients with the Golden Knights prospects



Marriage Encounter

This is a weekend experience open to all couples married from 1 to 60+ years! It's offered several times a year to enrich and renew marriages to be the sacramental marriage God wants for all of us. This is a Worldwide Marriage Encounter Program that has been actively helping marriages for almost fifty years. A follow-up Sharing Circle is available each month for couples to be with other couples who share this experience. In fact, if you have been through a Weekend Experience in the past, why not consider joining a circle now or even making another Weekend? We like to say that all couples may not need the Weekend, but rather All Couples Deserve the Weekend.

There are so many benefits to investing in your marriage with time and attention and taking this leap of faith! Call for more information on Weekend dates and times for Sharing Circles.

CONTACT 702.733.8323 to leave a message for information about upcoming events.



Contemplative Prayer Group

Are you interested in learning a new way to pray? In deepening your experience of the Mass? In gaining insight into your Christian spiritual journey? Then come and learn more about centering/contemplative prayer and study Fr. Thomas Keating, Fr. Richard Rohr and other relevant masters' teachings on spiritual life. The group meets every

other week for 60 minutes at 8:30 AM on Thursday to practice centering/contemplative prayer.



CONTACT 702.733.8323 to leave a message for Natalie Neilson

Widows or Widowers (WOW)

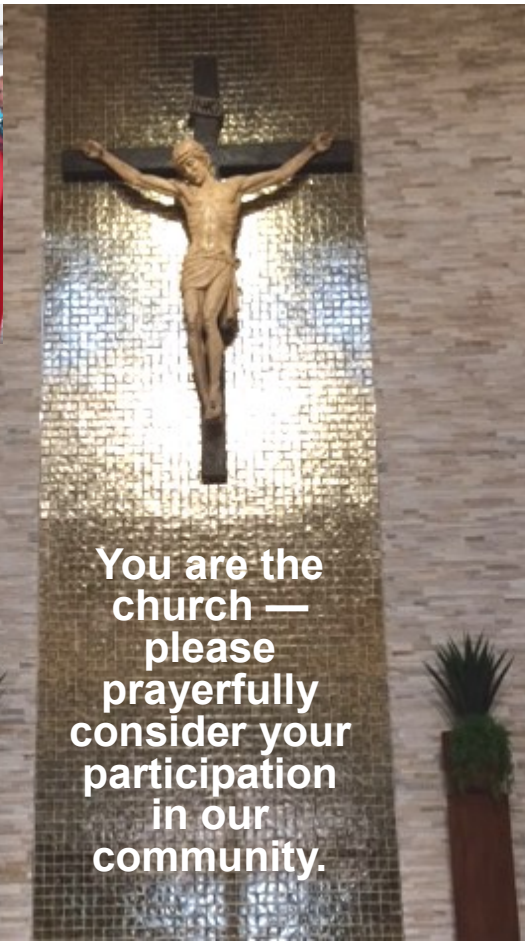
We are a group of special people who have lost our spouses and are ready to start enjoying life again. The reason we are special is because through the Grace of our Lord, we have survived the death of our life-partner and can see a light at the end of the tunnel, so to speak. We celebrated our first anniversary in May 2013 and look forward to many more to come. From September through May, we try to meet once a month to socialize with potluck dinners, game nights and to enjoy each other's company.

We also help with the Taste of St. Viator in October as well as area charitable organizations. During the holidays we have special potluck dinners and a gift exchange of 'white elephants'.



Everyone is welcomed with open arms!

CONTACT: 702.733.8323 and leave a message for Susanne Youngelman



You are the church —
please prayerfully
consider your
participation
in our
community.

Diocesan Volunteer Requirements

In order to serve at St. Viator you need to be a registered member of the parish. Registration forms are available at the parish office, the Welcome Table at Church on the first weekend of each month, and on our website - stviator.org.

Volunteers need to fulfill Diocesan requirements - and it's as easy as 1, 2, 3

1. Submit a volunteer application and review the volunteer handbook
2. Be fingerprinted (available at the parish office, by appointment)
3. Complete the Connect on-line class

For more information, see "Volunteer Requirements" on our website - stviator.org.

**Thank you for answering your baptismal call
and becoming Christ's hands on earth!**