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Welcome!

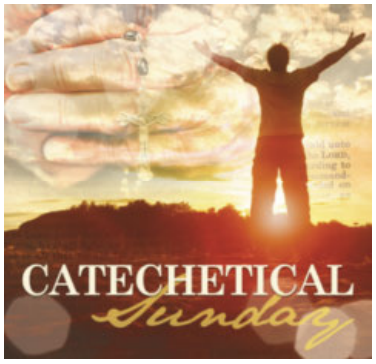
Mass Schedule
September 19-25

Weekday Masses in the Chapel
Monday - No Mass
Tuesday - 6:45 AM
Wednesday - 8:15 AM
Thursday - 6:45 AM
Friday - 8:15 AM

Weekend Masses
Saturday Vigil
4:00 PM

Sunday
8:00 AM, 10:00 AM
Noon and 5:00 PM

Reconciliation In the Chapel
Saturday
2:45 - 3:30 PM



WELCOME!

RCIA ...a journey in faith

Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults

RCIA classes began meeting weekly. If you are an adult interested in joining the Catholic Church and receiving the Sacraments (Baptism, First Communion, and/or Confirmation) through the Rite of Christian Initiation (RCIA) process please email Deacon Mike at:

deaconmike@stviator.org

WELCOME CORNER

The next opportunity to stop by the Welcoming Table will be at all Masses on October 1st & 2nd .

Stop by to register or ask questions regarding sacraments or other items.

You can also refer to the information on this page and reach out to the staff member who can assist with your concerns.

Welcome to St. Viator Catholic Community
A Ministry of the Viatorians

Frequently Asked Questions And Contact Information For Our Parish

Website: stviator.org Phone: 702.733.8323

Sacrament of Baptism

Baptisms for infants and children under 6 years of age are held the third Saturday of each month at 9:00 AM. Contact Beth Schill bschill@stviator.org to register for the two session parent class held the second and third Wednesday of the month at 6:30 PM in the parish center.

Sacrament of Matrimony

A six month minimum time period is needed to complete the preparation required for the Sacrament of Matrimony. Contact Beth Schill bschill@stviator.org for date availability and general inquiries.

Sacrament of Anointing of the Sick

Is available the first Thursday of each month following the morning Mass or by calling the office 702.733.8323 if you are homebound. This sacrament brings God's strength to those who are ailing physically, mentally, emotionally or spiritually. In case of hospitalization, let the hospital staff know that you would like to have a Catholic priest see you.

Mass Intentions

Mass Intentions may be requested by visiting the parish during office hours. The person requesting the intention may ask for a card that can be sent to notify a person that a Mass intention has been requested.

Funerals

In the event of a death of a loved one, please contact Kamila Donati at 702.733.8323 before making arrangements with other professional service providers.

Youth Faith Formation

Classes meet on Sundays September - April. Contact Rosy Hartz, Youth Faith Formation Coordinator, rosyhartz@stviator.org for information.

Adult Faith Formation - R.C.I.A.

Classes for RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults) meet on Sundays September - April. For more information please contact Deacon Mike Underwood, deaconmike@stviator.org.

Parish Registration

To become a member of our community please complete the parish registration form available on our website, at the parish office, or at the Welcoming Table each first full weekend of the month at all

Faith Formation & Youth Ministry

Sacramental Preparation & Continuing Faith Formation

Faith Formation Registration for children in 1st grade thru high school

The faith formation of every child is a priority to the Viatorians and our mission. We are excited to begin registration for all Faith Formation programs. Classes will be offered in person. All classes will begin in October and will run thru April 2023.

A complete registration includes registration form, payment in full, copies of birth certificate and baptismal certificate.

You may drop off these items after Sunday masses in the Youth Room in the Parish Center or to the Parish Offices during business hours. The last day for registration drop off will be Sunday, September 18th.

Registration Drop off in the Youth Room is Sunday, September 18th

1st-5th grade	11:00-12:00 pm
6-8th grade	12:00-12:30 pm
High School	12:30-2:00 pm

Orientation for all children and parents is in the Parish Center Sunday, September 25th

1st-8th grade	1:00-2:15 pm
High School	Year 1 Confirmation 4:00-5:00 pm
	Year 2 Confirmation 6:00-7:00 pm

We look forward to a new and prayerful year as our children grow in faith.

Rosy Hartz
Faith Formation Coordinator

Wanted!
Students in grades
4-12 for
Altar Servers

Signups start this month.

In honor of the Feast of
St. Francis of Assisi,
patron saint of all animals,
bring your furry, scaled or feathered
pets for a special
blessing from Fr. Rinn on either:

Friday, September 30th, 2:50 PM
in front of our Parish Center
Or
Saturday, October 1st, 9:00 AM
Outside of the church

(Can't bring your pet? Bring a photo!)

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

St. Viator Bereavement Ministry presents **GriefShare, a 13-part weekly seminar and support group designed to help you rebuild your life**.

We know it hurts and we want to help.

We will meet
Wednesdays, 9-10:30am
September 7 through December 7
[Note: we will not meet the day before Thanksgiving, 11/23]
in the Fr. White Room of our Parish Center.

GriefShare is designed in such a way that you can still get valuable information even if you join after the cycle has begun. So join at any time.

Here is **what a parishioner who was part of a recent cycle of sessions has to say** about GriefShare:

If you are grieving the loss of a loved one, trust me, this program is for you.

I lost my husband more than eight years ago. ***My life turned upside down****. I was good at hiding my grief from the outside world but within me, it was a different story. I attended a "bereavement program" back then however, I didn't get anything out of it so I quit. It was a painful journey.*

I had mixed emotions when I read about"GriefShare" in the bulletin. I was hesitant because I didn't want to go through another disappointment. I was encouraged to give it a try and I'm glad I did.

This program is well-structured and is designed to help people like me. It addresses all facets of grief: emotional, spiritual, social, denial, sadness, emptiness, anger, guilt feeling, ambushes of grief, loneliness, how to express our emotions around family, friends and a lot more.

It doesn't stop the grieving and it is not about forgetting our loved ones. ***It provides the tools and the means to manage it better. It is helping me to channel the grief through day-to-day living and during difficult occasions like birthdays, anniversaries and the holidays.***

I highly recommend it. *You don't have to take my word for it. Please give it a try and see for yourself all the benefits you will get out of it.*

~ Nicole H.

For more information on GriefShare, visit their website: GriefShare.org.

PARISH NEWS

Scenes from this year's Diocesan Conference which included a special all day Friday session for parish staff.

We thank the many parishioners who volunteered their talents at this year's conference and all who supported it by attending.

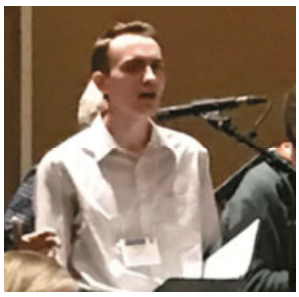
The Viatorians supported the conference by sponsoring an informational booth to spread the news of the work of the Viatorians. Brother Rob Robertson (far right above, with Rosy Hartz our parish Youth Faith Formation Coordinator) came in from Chicago to assist. And Brother John Eustice, above and giving Fr. Rinn an "elbow bump" during the lunch break, was a speaker at the conference. Brother John is currently the director of vocations for the Viatorians and is studying to prepare for his ordination.

Fr. Rinn with some of our parish staff

School staff attended a variety of sessions designed for their teaching vocation at this year's conference.

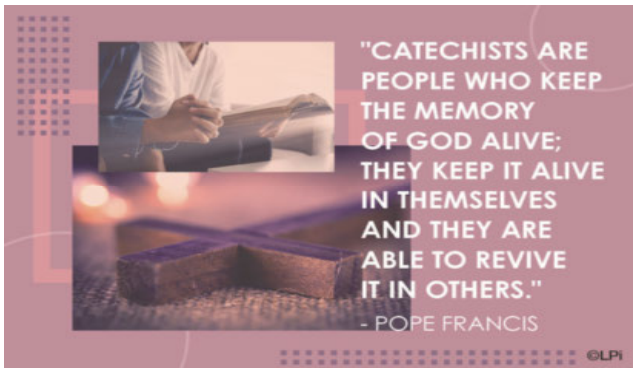
Deacon Mike and wife, Kathy

Three of our music ministry members raised their voices in praise and worship singing in the Diocesan Conference choir.



PARISH SCHOOL NEWS

Scenes from the first parish school Mass of this year.



Prayer for Catechists to celebrate Catechetical Sunday - September 18

Jesus, on the road to Emmaus,
your followers were frightened and alone;
you had just been put to death on a cross.
They met a man on the road leading away
from Jerusalem who told them all about you
and what your presence among them meant.
They did not realize that the man speaking
and walking with them was you,
raised from the dead.
When their eyes were opened and they
received the gift of faith,
they turned around to spread the word.

We ask you to bless all your disciples
who now work as catechists in our parish.
Give encouragement to their work, that it
will have an impact upon the world.
We ask all this in your name, Jesus,
our companion on the road from Emmaus.
Amen.

WHY DO WE DO THAT? - CATHOLIC LIFE EXPLAINED

Question:
Why do we celebrate Catechetical Sunday?

Answer:
The mission of the church reflects the mission of Jesus to teach, preach, heal, and forgive. Through these acts, Jesus shares the good news of salvation and invites all people to share in the life and love of God. The church continues this mission in all its ministries, but especially, and perhaps most importantly, through catechesis.

Catechetical Sunday is celebrated on the third Sunday of September. The task of handing on the Gospel is entrusted to the whole community, who by word and example, form young and new members in the way of the Gospel. Parish programs assist parents in teaching the basics of faith through liturgical experience, instruction, and faith formation. This ministry is essential for the parish to grow, for individuals to develop as believers, and for the ongoing spiritual formation of the whole community. It reminds the church that preaching the Gospel and growing in faith are essential to our sacramental practice and our liturgical prayer.

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DIOCESAN NEWS

September 28 - November 6
40 DAYS FOR LIFE

KICK OFF RALLY, SEPTEMBER 25, 2022
2:00- 3:00 PM for details on the rally or other events go to
https://www.40daysforlife.com/en/lasvegas/

Annual Diocesan White Mass

The Southern Nevada Guild of the Catholic Medical Association invites you to the annual Diocesan "**White Mass"** on Wednesday, October 5th at 6:30 PM at Our Lady of Las Vegas Parish, 3050 Alta Drive.

The White Mass is a special Mass for Catholic physicians, nurses, health care professionals and their friends. This year, our special guests will be the Sisters of Life, who will give a workshop following the Mass on "**Walking with Moms in Need**".

To RSVP, or for more information on this night, please email: southernnevadacma@gmail.com.

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Gospel Reflection

"You cannot serve both God and mammon." Merriam-Webster defines mammon as material wealth or possessions, especially having a debasing influence. While God does not take issue with our need to use money for the business of our lives, there can be a problem with the attitudes we bring to it. We can easily become so preoccupied and obsessed with money that it becomes the real "god" we worship. Do we serve mammon instead of God? In their book, Wealth, Riches and Money, Craig Hill and Earl Pitts outline symptoms of mammon's influence in our lives. Some of these are worry and anxiety over money, money mismanagement, fear over "never having enough," an "I can't afford it" mentality, impulse buying, stinginess, greed, debt, and discontent.

Many of the things on that list can consume us to the point that we are distracted from what we really need to be doing. Many people spend an inordinate amount of time worrying about money and it becomes the source of their worst fears. If we are honest with ourselves, we need to admit that we place far more emphasis on our material securities than we ought. In fact, we have actually convinced ourselves that we cannot live without it. Are we that certain about the presence of God? Many of the world's problems, especially those involving inequity and injustice, result from conflicts about money. Many equate money with happiness. Those successful in accumulating large amounts of it quickly realize just how wrong they are.

"Your ultimate allegiance is not to the government, not to the state, not to nation, not to any man-made institution. The Christian owes his ultimate allegiance to God, and if any earthly institution conflicts with God's will it is your Christian duty to take a stand against it. You must never allow the transitory evanescent demands of man-made institutions to take precedence over the eternal demands of the Almighty God (Martin Luther King, Jr.)." This is the point Jesus is trying to make. Unfortunately, when we look around our man-made kingdoms are far more prevalent than God's kingdom. When we start seeing greater evidence of justice, equity, dignity, respect, opportunity, gentleness, holiness, solidarity, honesty, simplicity, care for creation, and a decrease in ambition, then we will know that God's kingdom is being served. We will be doing what we are supposed to do.

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Stewardship Reflection

Fixing The Scales

Most people don't intend on being selfish. The reality of selfishness usually lies in the grey shades of our decision-making. We would never go out of our way to kick a homeless person begging by the highway exit. We would never steal money from our parish collection plate.

But would we drive past the homeless person without even extending a thought or a prayer toward his need? Would we justify stinginess in time, talent, and treasure because of our own comfort? We all have been guilty of transgressions such as these in the past. We will fall again in the future.

Most of the evil in this world can be traced back to a feeling of entitlement that lurks deep within each of us — a frantic concern for our own good that we find difficult to shake. The same instinct that compelled Eve to reach for the fruit that would give her the knowledge of good and evil still compels people to focus on what they are owed, on what they have "earned," on what they have "coming to them." We are so tempted to fix the scales. We are so tempted to keep score.

We would do well to remember that our God is not a God who keeps score. He is not a God who acts entitled or who tacks on extra dues, taking as much as He can get. He is a God who seats the lowly with princes. He is a God who seeks avenues for reconciliation and mercy.

Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS

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Mass Intentions

MASS	PRIEST	INTENTIONS
SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 17		
4:00 PM	Fr. von Behren	Deceased family and friends of Linda Vish
SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 18		
8:00 AM	Fr. Rinn	Francesca Koelman
10:00 AM	Fr. Lentz	Pete Escalona, Jr.
12:00 PM	Fr. Lentz	Bob Moretti
5:00 PM	Fr. Rinn	Mary Antonette & Aladin Valdez, Jr
MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 19—NO MASS		
TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 20		
6:45 AM	Fr. Rinn	For the People
WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 21		
8:15 AM	Fr. Rinn	Gene Scavetta
THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 22		
6:45 AM	Fr. Rinn	Rose Marie Tantiongco
FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 23		
8:15 AM	Fr. Rinn	Saul Garcia
SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 24		
4:00 PM	Fr. Egan	Apolonio & David Dagusen
SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 25		
8:00 AM	Fr. Rinn	Rodney Baccaray
10:00 AM	Fr. Lentz	Bernadette Conklin
12:00 PM	Fr. Rinn	Franklin Rizzo
5:00 PM	Fr. Lentz	The Good Stewards of St. Viator

PRAY FOR THE SICK & HOMEBOUND

6/19 Marion Aranita and Val Esquivel

6/26 Jeremy Mago 7/3 Larry LaPaglia, Carlino and Remedios Mendoza, Carol Vogel 7/10 Lucille Benvenuti, Brian Castruita, Elizabeth Estrada

7/24 Janet Kinsey, Rosemarie Peck, Nadia Young

7/31 Cesar Carranceja, Mari Lou Palenzuela, Bill & Claudia Trujillo

8/7 Lali Coles, Beatrice Gilmour, Loy Prado, Sylvia & Sonny Roque, Vincent Sanchez 8/14 Mary Ann Silverstein

8/28 David Ayres, Angelina, Cynthia & Terry Meier, William Russell

9/4 David Farrar, Ted Kasel

Readings of the Week

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 18

Amos 8:4-7
Psalms 113:1-2, 4-6, 7-8
1 Timothy 2:1-8
Luke 16:1-13 or 16:10-13

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 19

Proverbs 3:27-34
Psalms 15:2-3a, 3bc-4ab, 5
Luke 8:16-18

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 20

Proverbs 21:1-6, 10-13
Psalms 119:1, 27, 30, 34, 35, 44
Luke 8:19-21

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 21

Ephesians 4:1-7, 11-13
Psalms 19:2-3, 4-5
Matthew 9:9-13

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 22

Ecclesiastes 1:2-11
Psalms 90:3-4, 5-6, 12-13, 14 and 17bc
Luke 9:7-9

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 23

Ecclesiastes 3:1-11
Psalms 144:1b and 2abc, 3-4
Luke 9:18-22

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 24

Ecclesiastes 11:9 -12:8
Psalms 90:3-4, 5-6, 12-13, 14 and 17
Luke 9:43b-45

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 25

Amos 6:1a, 4-7
Psalms 146:7, 8-9, 9-10 [1b]
1 Timothy 6:11-16
Luke 16:19-31

IN MEMORIAM

Mary Jane Garonzi
Walter Seaman
Janice Scheel

PRAYER LIST PROCEDURE

Individuals will remain on the prayer list for three months (date is when added or re-added to the Prayer List). Please call the office if an individual is in continued need of prayers.

Viatorian Vocations Corner

Ideas for Fostering Vocations & Accompanying Discerners: Tips from a Bishop in the New Evangelization

Bishop Robert Barron has two suggestions for us when walking with someone who God may be inviting to religious life or priesthood:

(1) "The test of joy: When you think about religious life or priesthood, does that increase your love, joy, and peace? Does thinking about the things that priests and religious do increase the gifts of the Holy Spirit in you?"

(2) "Prayer, prayer, prayer -- ask God. God's not a distant force; God is personal. If God wants you to be a priest, He has placed that desire in you. So, ask him! And go to Mass frequently."

Fr. Corey Brost, CSV, with young adult leaders at a Viatorian Youth Congress.

Young people join hands in prayer during Viatorian Youth Congress.

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COLLECTION AT ALL MASSES

SEPTEMBER 17 & 18

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PreK-5th grade reading levels preferred No encyclopedias, coloring books or books with a library's dewey decimal tag on them