



St. Viator Catholic Community

Ministries & Organizations

Giving Tree



Music Ministry



Blood Drives



Pastoral Care



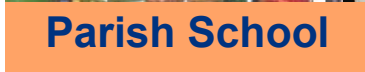
Food Collection



Jr. Catholic Daughters



Parish School



Eucharistic Ministers



Altar Servers



Lectors



RCIA Team



Drama Ministry



2461 E. Flamingo Road, Las Vegas, NV 89121

702.733.8323, www.stviator.org

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. Registering in a parish is a declaration of your desire to be part of a Catholic community and a commitment to the life of the parish family. To clearly state your Catholic commitment in all its dimensions brings you advantages, recognition, and responsibilities of many kinds. When you register it is easier to stay in communication and respond to needs you may have.

This ministry book shows you the many opportunities where you can help with your time, talent and treasure. Remember, our parish ministries could not take place without your contributions to keep the lights on and our buildings maintained. There are many ways you can give, including; electronically by contacting Susan Lockett, our Operations manager, at 702.733.8323 extension 308, mailing your donation, or dropping it in the offertory basket.

We hope you will take a moment to read through this book, find a ministry that works best for you and your schedule to give your talent and time - even if it is an hour a month. 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

Page	Ministries & Organizations
2	Catholic Daughters of the Americas
2	Junior Catholic Daughters
3	Drama Ministry
3	Environmental Services
3	Just Neighbors - Family Promise
4	Faith Formation for Youth
5	Food Collection
5	Knights of Columbus
5	Marriage Preparation
7	Liturgical Ministers
7	Ministers of Hospitality - Greeters
7	Music Ministry
7	Parish Office Workers
7	Pastoral Care Ministry
8	Pew Preparation
8	RCIA - Adult Faith Formation
9	St. Viator School
9	St. Viator School Foundation
10	Welcoming Committee
10	Women's Guild
Page	Personal Opportunities
11	GriefShare

"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 Laboure 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 Lillian Proce

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 this group





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



Just Neighbors ~ Family Promise

Family Promise of Las Vegas assists children and their families end the cycle of homelessness

and return to sustainable employment and housing. They believe that every child deserves to have a home. A combination of grants, donations, and the support of social service agencies, landlords and local congregations of all faiths support their programs to provide both temporary long term housing to families in Clark County.

Just Neighbors connects volunteer community groups with families enrolled in Family Promise programs. Volunteers coordinate weekly with families in our programs. In coordination with Family Promise Client Advocates, our parish provides supplemental items (food, clothing, linens, small appliances) essential to specific family needs.

Our parish volunteers are needed to provide weekly phone calls as well as the opportunity to donate essentials for the family we assist.

CONTACT:

Bob Blaskey ministers@stviator.org

Faith Formation for Youth

Religious Education -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

Food Collection



Bring food donations to St. Viator to help local charities - including: Catholic Worker, Catholic Charities and St. Therese HIV Outreach .

Donations can be dropped off at weekend Masses or at the Parish Office during normal business hours.

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 with the food collection or have questions what to donate -

CONTACT: 702.733.8323 to leave a message for Joe and Mary Burns

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
Bob King



Lenten Fish Fry

Marriage Preparation



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

Mentor couples meet with those seeking to receive the Sacrament of Matrimony as they complete the independent study course.

Those who have mentored engaged couples 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

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



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 and assist

during Mass to 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 the ambassadors of our community.



CONTACT:
Bob Blaskey
Email: ministers@stviator.org



Music Ministry



When you've attended any Mass, 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. 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

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.

Parish Office Workers

CONTACT:

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



Pastoral Care Ministry



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



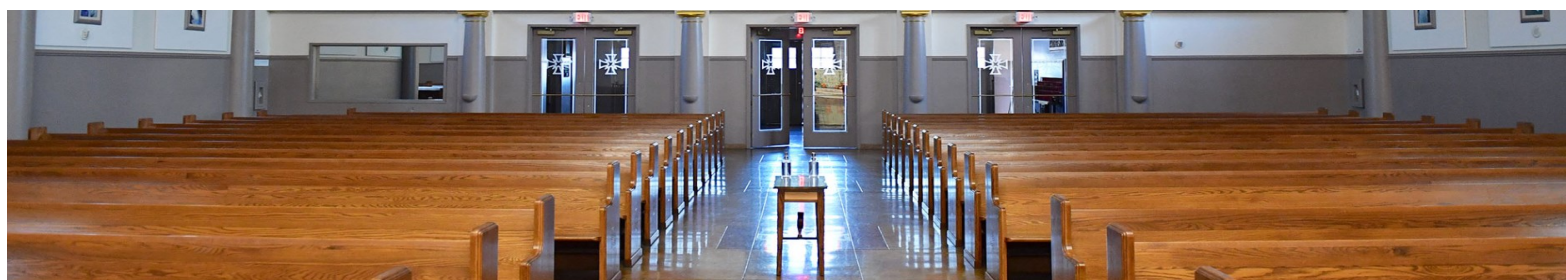
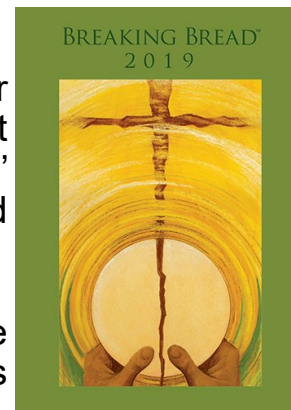
The interior of our church should be clean with hymnals and prayer cards easily accessible.

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



RCIA

The Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults (RCIA) prepares those who are seeking the sacraments of initiation to receive instruction for full communion 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



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 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

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 Rubin Murillo

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, Taste of St. Viator 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
Leah Zeldin, Vice-President or
Beth Schill, Treasurer, bschill@stviator.org



Opportunities for Personal Growth and Special Help



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

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

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

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.



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. Complete the on-line Safe Environment training class
2. Submit a volunteer application and review the volunteer handbook
3. Be fingerprinted

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!**