

St. Vincent De Paul Church

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Mission Statement

St. Vincent de Paul is a faith community striving to live Jesus' gospel message of love, peace and justice for all peoples. In the spirit of St. Vincent de Paul, our inclusive community welcomes, affirms and serves both the poorest of the poor and those who are alienated and most vulnerable among us. Our individual faith journeys join together in the celebration of the Eucharist. Through the guidance of the Holy Spirit, we will continue to nurture the gifts of all our members. Our parish family will draw strength and unity from diversity. We will foster an atmosphere of warmth, hospitality and prayerfulness. We pray that our commitment to these efforts will further the mission of being one with our God and one with each other.

The DePaul Catholic School, An Independent Mission School

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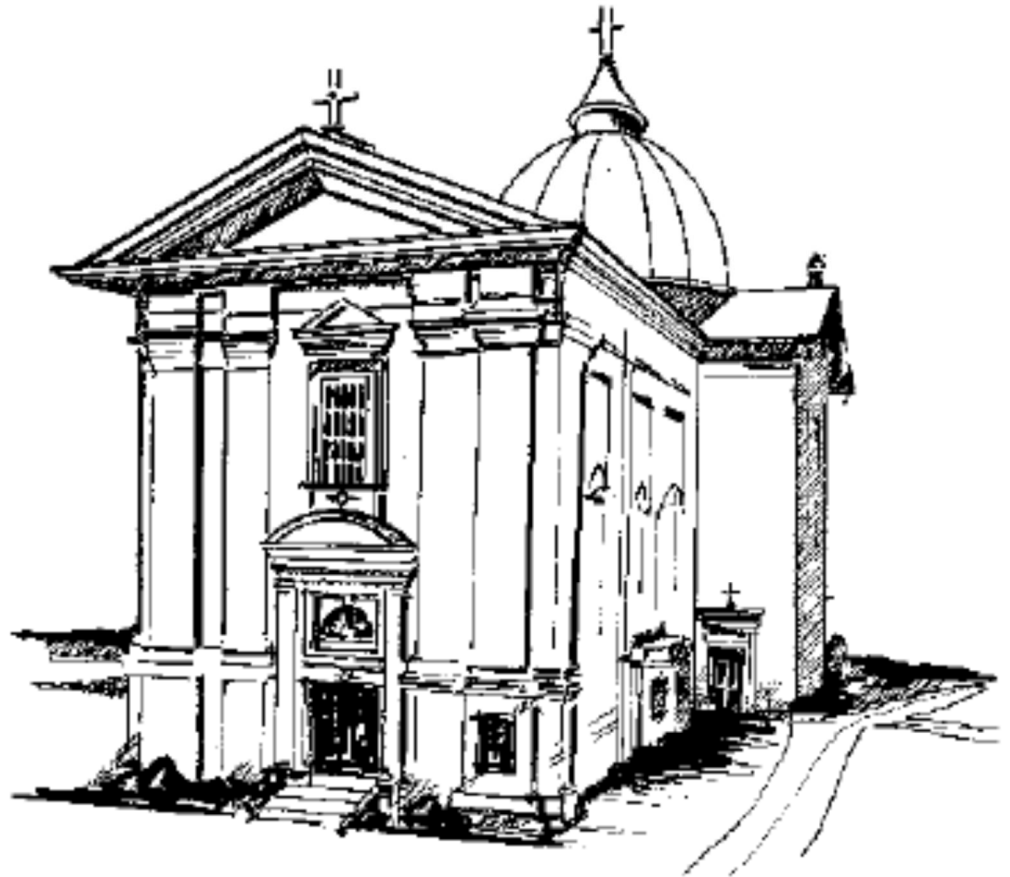
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Eucharistic Celebration ♦ Saturday 4pm, Sunday 9 & 11am
Sacrament of Reconciliation ♦ Please call for an appointment.

January 1, 2017

MASS INTENTIONS FOR THIS WEEK

SUN	01/01 James Dunphy	9:00 am
MON	01/02 NO MASS	11:00 am
TUE	01/03 Frank & Maria Meloni	7:00 am
WED	01/04 Wayne Smith	7:00 am
THU	01/05 Miraculous Medal	7:00 am
FRI	01/06 Miraculous Medal	7:00 am
SAT	01/07 Pamela Rogers MacDonald	4:00pm

THIS WEEK'S CALENDAR

SUN	SOLEMNITY OF MARY
SAT	Sacrament of Penance 3-3:30 pm

FOR THIS WE PRAY

Parishioners

Muriel Ancrum, Patricia Banmiller, Bernadette Barry, Katherine Elliott, Tom Weir, Anoa Curtis, Myles McDonald, William Drinker, Judith Di Battista, Ruby Tyer, Donna Jean Cocchia, Leo Johnson, Patricia Judge, Pat Burton, Thomas Baumann, Dick Taylor, Ginny Witte, Edna Poole, Nan Wade, Betsy Moore, Vince Morgan, Gerry Widmann, Kay Harty, Mary Lynn Kraft, Darryl Carroll, Natalie Gianetti, Arlene Myers, Betty Barnett, Annie Serious, Mark Rogers, Mary Ellen Graham.

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*Please pray for the soul of **Wayne Smith**, brother of Jerry Smith, and for Jerry, Robin, and their family.*

PASTORAL CARE

We will bring the Eucharist to those unable to attend Mass regularly because of sickness or infirmity. Please call the Rectory, at 215-438-2925.

Last Week's Collection	3,981.75
Electronic	<u>2,972.00.</u>
Total	6,753.75
Tithe	337.70

Today's Readings

First Reading:	Numbers 6:22-27
Psalm:	Psalm 67
Second Reading:	Galatians 4:4-7
Gospel:	Luke 2:16-21

Readings for Next Week

First Reading:	Isaiah 60:1-6
Psalm:	Psalm 72
Second Reading:	Ephesians 3:2-3a, 5-6
Gospel:	Matthew 2:1-12

Monday:	1 Jn 2:22-28; Ps 98:1-4; Jn 1:19-28
Tuesday:	1 Jn 2:29 - 3:6; Ps 98:1, 3cd-6; Jn 1:29-34
Wednesday:	1 Jn 3:7-10; Ps 98:1, 7-9; Jn 1:35-42
Thursday:	1 Jn 3:11-21; Ps 100:1b-5; Lk 4:14-22a
Friday:	1 Jn 5:5-13; Ps 147:12-15, 19-20; Mk 1:7-11 or Lk 3:23-28 [23, 31-34, 36, 38]
Saturday:	1 Jn 5:14-21; Sal 149:1-6a, 9b; Jn 2:1-11

BAPTISM OF OUR CHILDREN

Call Fr. Sy Peterka, Pastor, at 215-438-2925, ext. 218, for available dates and additional information.

RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS

The RCIA is the process through which adults become members of the Catholic Church. If you are interested in exploring whether the Catholic Church is where you want to begin or continue your Christian faith journey, please contact the Rectory at 215-438-2925.

THOSE IN NEED OF THE SACRAMENTS

Please contact Fr. Sy Peterka, at 215-438-2925 ext.218, to make arrangements.

MINISTRY OPPORTUNITIES

If you are interested in becoming involved in one or more of our Parish ministries, call the Church office, at 215-438-2925.

PARISH OUTREACH

Non-perishable food donations may be made Monday, Tuesday and Friday between 9am and Noon. To make an appointment for any other time, please call Evelyn Rogers at 215-438-1514.

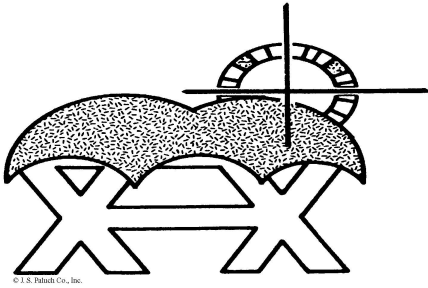
RESERVATIONS FOR MEETINGS/EVENTS

Please call the Church office, 215-438-2925.

RACIAL HEALING STATEMENT

To foster a community in which people of all races and cultures are treated as equals and fully participate in the life of the church. We hope to achieve this by... Deepening Cross-Racial/Cross-Cultural relationships; Developing each person's gifts for Leadership & Ministry, (Including each group's Art & Culture) and by... Supporting actions for justice.

ANNOUNCEMENTS - January 1-7, 2017



***WE WISH EVERYONE A HAPPY AND PEACE FILLED
CHRISTMAS SEASON***

MUSIC MINISTRY

Our new CD is still available for purchase at \$15 with proceeds supporting the ministry and capital campaign.

NEW GOSPEL CHOIR DIRECTOR

Please pray for our former Gospel Choir Director, Darin Williams, who is leaving us to work full time at Holy Cross and welcome Dennis Rivera as our new Gospel Choir director.

LECTORS

If you are a "seasoned" lector, please sign up for January, February and March Masses in the Liturgy Prep Room near the main church door (to the left as you enter). If you are an aspiring lector, please contact the rectory and we will reach out to train you. We are especially eager to have more youth (post-confirmation) and young adult lectors! Additional "At Home with the Word" books—with all the readings for each week of the liturgical year—are being ordered for parishioners to purchase in coming weeks after Mass. Thanks for helping us "sell out" and for your patience if you still want a book to enhance your prayer life!

LEGION OF MARY

Legion of Mary meets Wednesdays at 1:30pm in the rectory.

SENIORS MINISTRY

We are meeting for fun, food and fellowship in the Hospitality Center on Wednesdays at 11:00am.

HOSPITALITY

Please join us for hospitality provided by the community after the 9am Mass in the Hospitality center. You can sign up to help as an individual, family or group on the bulletin board by the side entrance. Volunteers buy donuts, OJ and milk and are reimbursed. All other items are provided in the Center's cabinet. Please arrive early to make coffee prior to Mass. All items are sold for fifty cents. Questions? Call Jack DiFeo 215 287-5682.

HONORING DR. MARTIN LUTHER KING

St. Philip Neri Church, 437 Ridge Pike in Lafayette Hill will host a prayer and conversation gathering on **Monday, January 16 with a choir prelude at 6:30 and prayer service at 7pm** called *A Dream in Black and White: Growing in Understanding as Catholics*. All are welcome!

POWER UPDATE

Come celebrate MLK Day (**Monday, January 16**) at a city-wide march convening at 12 noon at Mother Bethel AME Church (6th & Lombard Sts), a church that symbolizes the continual re-commitment to justice we are called to make, and pass along to our children. Watch for more details in early January.

POWER will also sponsor a series of trainings for the serious work we need to do in 2017 and beyond. The first training will be on Sun Jan 15 (MLK's actual birthday), 5 to 8 PM at 2nd Baptist Church of Germantown. This will be dedicated to Non-Violent Direct Action, in the spirit of MLK's own work. There will be a break-out group just for young people (high school age). This march is sponsored by a coalition of organizations including POWER, of which St Vincent's is a member.

POWER/ Philadelphians Organized to Witness, Empower & Rebuild is a interfaith coalition of 50+ congregations in the city and suburbs working together to change policies that exclude and harm people of color, people of low income, and immigrants in our communities! We work to increase the minimum wage, improve public school funding, and reform criminal justice practices. For more info, contact parish POWER co-chairs Terri Burgin (215-651-0100) or Mary Laver (610-324-9388)

RECONCILIATION UNITY MINISTRY INVITATION

The mission of the Reconciliation & Unity Ministry (RUM) is to foster our "becoming One Body of Christ" as a parish community where all are welcome - across races, generations, sexual orientations, countries of origin, and Mass preferences - to encounter Christ's loving presence in each other.

RUM began in the aftermath of the national trauma generated by the death of Michael Brown in Ferguson in 2014, when Fr Sy invited a diverse group of parishioners to come together to reflect on what our times called us to be and do as a parish community. In its first two years, RUM initiated the Pew Conversations to encourage dialogue among parishioners about the meaning of the Gospel for our lives. RUM also launched Movie Nights, bringing us together to think about pressing and potentially divisive issues like racism, homophobia, and immigration. RUM's main purpose is not to start new programs but to encourage our many ministries - from liturgy to social justice - to use "becoming One" as a central guide for their work.

RUM members commit to meeting together monthly, and following up on "homework" that arises between meetings, to talk, plan or collaborate with members of other ministries or external groups about ideas raised in RUM. And we have a one-day retreat coming up on **Saturday, January 14** for all old and new RUM members, so **save that date!**

CONCERT AT ST. VINCENT'S

This is NOT a religious concert, nor is it a fundraiser. It is being given by an out man, Bobby Jo Valentine, who has a real gift for songwriting and singing, on **Saturday, January 14 at 6pm** in the church. Tickets are only \$15. Bobby will also perform a song at the 4pm Mass; there will be hospitality from 5 to 6 and the concert at 6. Jack DiFeo and others will be selling tickets after the Masses or you can contact him directly. It would make a nice gift for friends or family or for yourself.

Saint Vincent de Paul Parish
Registration Form

Thanks for being here! If you would like to become an ACTIVE member of St. Vincent De Paul Parish (full-time or part-time), we invite you to **complete the Parish Registration form below.**

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Have you received the Sacraments?

() Baptism () Confirmation () First Communion

Are you interested in

() Liturgical Ministry () Service Ministry

(Can you sing, lector, teach....)

**Please place completed form in the Offeratory basket
or send to the Parish Office and we will contact you.**

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**Bulletin Deadline: Mondays by noon. Email to
secretary@saint-vincent-church.org**

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Feast of the mother of god and world day of peace

Prayers of the faithful, January 1, 2017

Through Mary, the mother of the church, may church leaders follow the example of pope Francis in manifesting a loving, tender compassion for all god's people, especially the poor and Marginalized. (We pray to the lord)

On this world day of peace, may Mary, the queen of peace, intercede for Her people in those parts of the world that are in Violent conflict, particularly in Syria, Iraq, Afghanistan, the Holy land and Sudan. May our own country abandon the use of firearms.(we pray to the lord)

May Mary who was given to us as mother at the foot of the cross lead this st. Vincent faith community in beholding each member as our sister or brother and extend that regard to our neighbors in Germantown, and all of Philadelphia (we pray to the lord)

As Mary "kept all things, reflecting them in her heart", we ask her to hold in her heart the suffering of families who have lost their innocent children to violence in the street, sex trafficking and forced migration. May she continue to guide loving parents who strive to raise their children in wisdom and grace (let us pray to the lord)

For all those suffering in mind or body and all those who mourn the loss of loved ones, may the mother of god who knew suffering intimately, be their consolation and intercessor before her son who does whatever she asks.(let us pray to the lord)

Bernadette Marie Cronin-geller

Preparing the Way for National Migration Week (January 8th to 14th, 2017) #4

Saint Vincent de Paul
Germantown, Philadelphia



Migrants and refugees are not pawns on the chessboard of humanity. They are children, women and men who leave or who are forced to leave their homes for various reasons, who share a legitimate desire for knowing and having, but above all for being more.

Pope Francis

"Migrants and Refugees: Towards a Better World," 2014

In the last three inserts in the Bulletin you have read Pope Francis' letter to us on immigrant and refugee children. The Church in the United States has a rich history of caring for immigrants and refugees at the grass roots level. In key moments, the U.S. bishops have also spoken prophetically on the issue. For many years, the U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops (USCCB) has considered immigration a key pastoral concern of the Church in this vast nation. Its Migration and Refugee Services Office includes a program boldly titled "Justice for Immigrants." The program's website explains:

Why does the Church care about immigration policies?

The Catholic Church has historically held a strong interest in immigration and how public policy affects immigrants seeking a new life in the United States. Based on Scriptural and Catholic social teachings, as well as her own experience as an immigrant Church in the United States, the Catholic Church is compelled to raise her voice on behalf of those who are marginalized and whose God-given rights are not respected.

The Church believes that current immigration laws and policies have often led to the undermining of immigrants' human dignity and have kept families apart. The existing immigration system has resulted in a growing number of persons in this country in an unauthorized capacity, living in the shadows as they toil in jobs that would otherwise go unfilled. Close family members of

U.S. citizens and lawful permanent residents must wait years for a visa to be reunited. And, our nation's border enforcement strategies have been ineffective and have led to the death of thousands of migrants.

Two years ago, Bishop Eusebio Elizondo, Chairman of the USCCB Committee on Migration, wrote to Secretary of the Department of Homeland Security Jeh Johnson opposing the detention of families because "it is inhumane to house young mothers with children in restrictive detention facilities as if they are criminals." But detention continues very near us in the Berks Detention Center that houses twenty Central American women and their children who seek asylum. In their efforts to be released, these women have undertaken two hunger strikes, to no avail. Bishop Elizondo considers this kind of detention a violation of human rights.

We end with the last two paragraphs of a Christmas letter that Cardinal Daniel DiNardo, head of the USCBC, issued last week:

We discover the fragile innocence of hope in the eyes of a newborn baby, wrapped in swaddling clothes. Mary and Joseph welcomed this young hope, for Jesus made known, in his very Person, the promise of "great joy that will be for all people." We can nurture that same hope today. We do this by greeting one another in love and charity, embracing civility and not letting our differences hide the dignity and beauty God has given each of us as his children.

Allow me to say a special word to our sisters and brothers who find themselves immigrants and refugees on Christmas Day. In you, we see the very struggles of the Holy Family. From the angel of the Lord, Joseph heard the call to "rise and flee" in order to keep Mary and Jesus safe from violence at home. The Catholic Church in the United States is praying for you and is working to welcome you as we would the Holy Family.

Merciful God our Father:

As Yahweh you asked your chosen people to take care of the widow, the orphan, and the stranger, defining our responsibility to those who are unprotected by family or community.

Through your own son Jesus Christ you taught us the value of stretching the definition of who belongs to your people.

In the revelation of your love for us, you gave us the great command of loving each other and becoming mirrors of your love.

Grant that in this time of concentrated awareness of the plight of immigrants and refugees in our midst we may open our hearts to embrace them, to stand with them, to proclaim our common humanity with them, and to support new policies that welcome them, as we decry those practices that harm them and harm our own society. Grant that, as we join the struggle for the dignity of undocumented immigrants, we also remain engaged in opposing the discrimination, violence, poverty, incarceration, and the death penalty that many people have suffered in this country.

We appeal to your mercy to keep this parish united and faithful under your loving gaze. Amen.

SAVE THE DATE !

Monday, January 16, 2017

The Thirty-fourth Annual Archdiocesan Gathering

In honor of

Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.



A Dream in Black and White

Growing in Understanding as Catholics

Archbishop Charles J. Chaput, O.F.M. Cap., Presider
People of every race & color are invited to join in
prayer and conversation.

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Choir Prelude: 6:30 PM
Prayer Service: 7:00 PM
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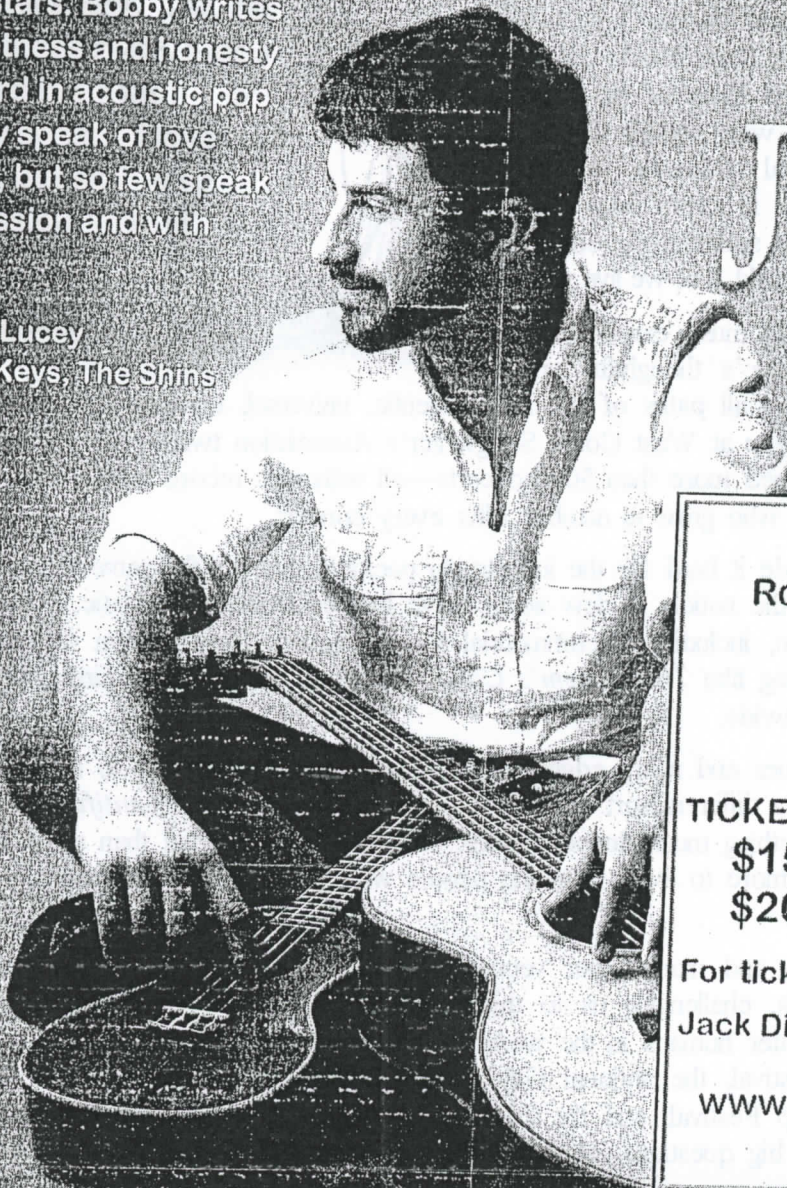
"5 out of 5 stars. Bobby writes with a sweetness and honesty seldom heard in acoustic pop music. Many speak of love and longing, but so few speak with compassion and with such hope."

—Brian Lucey
Black Keys, The Shins

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SONGWRITER OF THE YEAR

—West Coast Songwriter's Association

"...The nicest guy to ever pick up an acoustic guitar."

—Los Angeles Weekly

"10 out of 10. A world-class singer/songwriter."

—Indiee Music

The son of Anna and Rocco DiCondina, "Franny" was the youngest of five children. Angelina (later Sr. Theresa Immaculate), Santo, Dominic, Anthony and Franny all grew up on Chew Street in Germantown. Franny attended Immaculate Conception Elementary School then Cardinal Dougherty High School.

His friends knew him as "Squeak."

A long- time member of the National Hot Rod Association, from an early age he was an avid fan of all things with engines. He became a respected master mechanic, operating his own shop on Greene Street. The shop was his world...one that he rarely left.

We will miss our brother and friend.

Thank you to the folks of St. Vincent's for opening their arms to us.



Service of Thanksgiving for the Life of

Francis A. DiCondina

Born: April 13, 1948

Entered into Eternal Life: December 21,
2016

December 28, 2016

St. Vincent DePaul Church
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania

Visitation

O Sole Mio ("My Own Sun")

Capurro & di Capua, 1898

Welcome & Opening Remarks

Mike Dimitri

Reflections of Family & Friends

(All Are Welcome!)

Song: Here I Am Lord

First Reading – Ecclesiastes 3: 1-11

Dominic DiCondina, Nephew

Second Reading – Romans 5: 17-21

Chase Fleming, Nephew

Acclamations and Gospel

Song: O Mary Conceived Without Sin

Eulogy

Micah Brodsky

Song: Ave Maria

Remarks by Friends

Rob McMinn and Hal Jones

Song : Be Not Afraid

The Lord's Prayer

Final Commendations

Farewell Song

Nessun Dorma ("None Shall Sleep")

Puccini, 1926)

Celebrant: Fr. Joe Cummins, C.M.



Mary Cummins Wolstenholme

1950 – 2016



January 2, 2017
St. Vincent's Church
Philadelphia, PA

Order of Service

Opening Hymn	Gather Us In
First Reading	From the book of Wisdom 3:1-9
Psalm	The Lord is My Shepherd, I shall not want.
Second Reading	From the Letter to the Romans 8:31-35,37-39
Acclamation	Response: "Alleluia"
Gospel	John 14:1-6
Prayers of the Faithful	Response: "Lord, hear our prayer"
Offertory	Bread of Life
Holy Holy	Holy, holy, holy Lord God of hosts. Heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.
Mystery of Faith	
Great Amen	Response: Amen
Our Father	Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name; Thy kingdom come; thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us.

And lead us not into temptation; but deliver us from evil.
... (some words by the priest)
For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours, Now and forever. Amen.

Lamb of God **Lamb of God, You take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us.
Lamb of God, You take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us.
Lamb of God, You take away the sins of the world, grant us peace.**

Communion **Be Not Afraid
Amazing Grace**

Final
Commendation

Song of Farewell **Let There Be Peace On Earth**

Mary's family would like to thank everyone who has assisted

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Pray for the resolve to lessen your impact.
Pray with Pope Francis' *Laudato Si'*.
Discern how your community's liturgy can reflect a care for creation and the poor.

Act

Educate yourself and others on the issue of climate change.
Calculate your carbon footprint.
Consider some cost-free ways to lower your energy use.
Investigate renewable energy options.
Learn how climate affects the vulnerable.

Advocate

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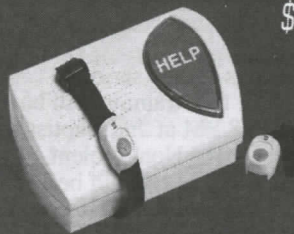
LET US PRAY...

O Lord our God, in the name of our Daughters and Sisters of Nigeria we come to you on bended knee in prayer. In the heat of this day, suffering and hardship has visited young ones and we beg you, almighty Father, Son and Holy Spirit to bring forth release and mercy on those who have been captured, sold and raped. Reverse O Lord, the spirit of the captors. Restore O Lord, the hope of these young innocent girls and bring Recovery to them and their families. Relieve the injured and Redeem O Lord, this situation and drench it with Your love and mercy. We remember O Lord, how You set the captives free in Egypt and how You carved a way to freedom by splitting the waters of the Red Sea. We remember, O Lord how Your mighty hand brought David out of the lion's den and we ask You, O Lord to do the same for our dear young Sisters and Daughters. We come to You this day, knowing the fullness of Your amazing grace which makes a way out of no way. We thank You O Lord for what You can do and will do in Jesus' name- Amen



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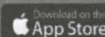
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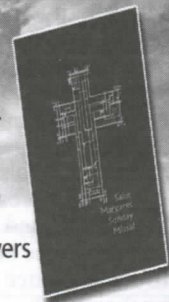
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