



St. Vincent de Paul School

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What's happening?

January 17

Mass, 9am
Clean Full Dress Uniforms

Martin Luther King, Jr. Assembly
2:15

January 20

No School
Martin Luther King, Jr. Day

January 23

The Jan. 23 Parent Association Meeting is cancelled. See you at the State of the School Meeting on Feb. 13th.

January 24

Mass, 9am
Clean Full Dress Uniforms

January 25-31

Catholic Schools Week

January 26

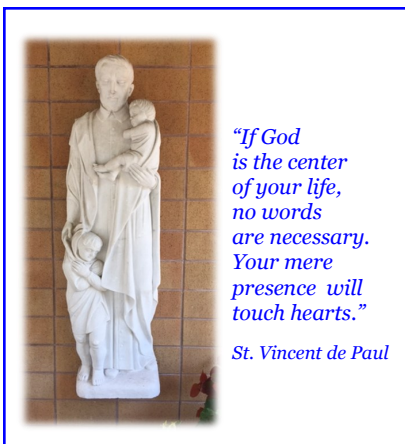
Open House, 10-11am

January 28

Open House, 7-8pm

January 29

Visitor Lunch
Please note about the lunch schedule on page 3.
No Ordo hot lunch.

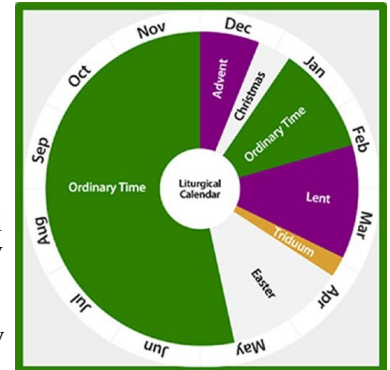


January 16, 2025

Dear Families,

The liturgical seasons of Advent and Christmas have passed and here we are in Ordinary Time again. Even though I know this time it is called "ordinary" because the weeks are numbered, to me, Ordinary Time is anything but ordinary. No time is really ordinary. In the church calendar, we will still celebrate special feast days in January and February and Lent begins in March. In our everyday lives every day of every season is special. In addition to the many family events we will celebrate, every day we have with one another is a celebration, a real gift.

1st Week in Ordinary Time



Catholic Schools Week (CSW)

We are looking forward to national Catholic Schools Week, the annual celebration of Catholic education in the United States. It starts the last weekend in January and runs all week, January 25-31. The theme for the National Catholic Schools Week 2025 is "Catholic Schools: United in Faith and Community." Schools typically observe the annual celebration week with Masses, open houses and other activities for students, families, parishioners and community members. Through these events, schools focus on the value Catholic education provides to young people and its contributions to our church, our communities, and our nation.



Catholic Schools United in Faith and Community

Parents, you are the best ambassadors for St. Vincent's! Please be sure to give your family and friends the Open House card that is in the envelope today. (Sorry, the card was not in the envelope last week.) Sign your name to the back of the card. If the prospective family gives me the card at the Open House, I will treat you with a Starbucks scrip card. If the family's child attends school in the fall, you will receive \$500 off of your tuition. The Open House is Sunday, January 26th, from 10-11am and Tuesday, January 28th, from 7-8pm. Consider bringing a new family to see our school! .

We need a little help on Sunday, January 26th, from 10-11 during the Open House. I also need help on Wednesday, January 29, from 8:30-10 to decorate the tables in the hall for the visitor lunch. Let me know if you can help with either of these events.

Uniform Company

The Uniform Committee hopes to make a decision this month on a new uniform company for our school. We hope to be able to share some information with you at the Parent Association Meeting this month.

Siblings for 25-26

Please check our list of siblings for 25-26. If your child will not be attending next year or if we are missing your child's name, please let us know as soon as possible.

Siblings for 25-26

PreSchool

Valerie Sanchez-Gomez
Kingston Leong
Angelina Moreno-Barragan
Solona Martinez
Aiatic Fouty

Prek

Caden Casonova
Naji Fagaaouta-Mobley
Anthony Arena
Gavin Lewkowitz
Oscar Bermudez
Santiago Patulot

Kindergarten

Ariel Thuku
Joachim Fadul
James Echave
Sebastian Hipol
Hope Kamau

Grade 1

Ralph Dickman
Eli Munro-Hernandez
Braylee Butler

Grade 2

Kenjal Ranabhat

School Commission – Meeting Highlights

When: January 9, 2025, at 7:00pm

Where: St. Vincent DePaul school

Parent and Student School Handbook – Commission members are 70% through the process of reviewing and updating the Parent and Student handbook.

State of the School Meeting – Commission members are planning for the State of the School meeting, scheduled for February 16th. The agenda, presenters, and budget are being finalized.

Multicultural Committee

- The Commission is exploring the creation of a multicultural committee to celebrate the diverse cultures at our school. This committee would be parent led. Parents interested in joining the committee are encouraged to contact Mrs. Stewart.

Counselor research

- A survey was sent to the teachers to assess their interest in having a school counselor. Results indicate a recognized need for this resource with teachers expressing a willingness to refer students for support if a counselor were available. Mrs. Stewart, with the support of the School Commission, will continue to evaluate the feasibility of introducing this resource.

Principal Report

Share current events and happenings at school

- The month of January is filled with events and activities.
- Martin Luther King Jr. assembly - Friday, 1/17/25 at 2:15pm.
- School Open house - Sunday, 1/26/25 from 10:00am-11:00am.
- School Open house – Tuesday, 1/28/25 from 7:00pm-8:00pm.
- Visitors Lunch – Wednesday, 1/29/25.
- Celebrating Catholic Schools Week, Sunday thru Friday, 1/26/25 – 1/31/25. Each school day there will be special activities planned for the children.
 - Monday – School Appreciation Day
 - Tuesday – Family Appreciation Day
 - Wednesday – Community Appreciation Day, Grandparents group and Visitor’s Lunch
 - Thursday – Parish Appreciation Day (after morning mass)
 - Friday – Student Appreciation Day – Free dress, tailgate lunch and Volleyball tournament between teachers and students.

Next School Commission Meeting: February 6, 2025, at 7:00pm.

St. Vincent de Paul, pray for us.
With my love and prayers

Wanda



Catholic Schools
United in Faith and Community

Catholic Schools Week Special Events Schedule!

- **Saturday and Sunday, January 26**
Sunday, January 26th, Open House, 10-11am
- **Monday, January 27th**
School Appreciation Day
- **Tuesday, January 28th**
Family Appreciation Day
Open House, 7-8 pm
- **Wednesday, January 29th**
Community Appreciation Day
Visitor Lunch
11:30 Students with last names A-G
12:00 Students with last names H-N
12:30 Students with last names O-Z
No Ordo hot lunch.
- **Thursday, January 30th**
Parish Appreciation Day
- **Friday, January 31st**
Student Appreciation Day
Mass, 9am
Tailgate Lunch—We are serving hot dogs, chips, and cookies to all students for lunch.
No Ordo hot lunch.
Student/Teacher Volleyball Game 2pm

Note on Visitor Lunch-

During the Visitor Lunch, each student eats lunch at the time listed depending on the first letter of his/her last name. Each student may invite a guest for lunch. The visitor may bring lunch for the student or the student may bring lunch for the visitor.