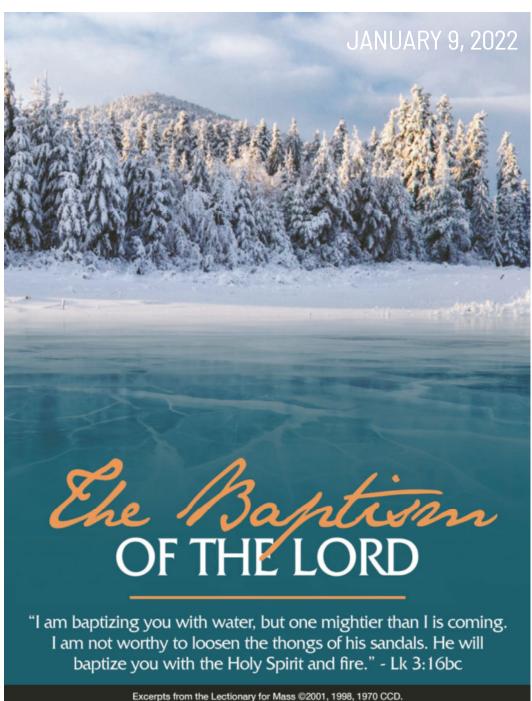






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Welcome!

Mass Schedule **January 10 - 16**

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 5:00 PM

Doors open 30 minutes before Mass begins

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

PARISH NEWS



Dear Parishioners,

Thank you for the many Christmas cards, good wishes and gifts. We are very grateful for your thoughtfulness and kindness.

Know you are in our prayers.

God's blessings to you!

Fr. Richard Rinn, C.S.V.

Fr. Lawrence Lentz, C.S.V.

Fr. Daniel Nolan, C.S.V.

Fr. Tom von Behren, C.S.V.

Fr. Bill Haesaert, C.S.V.

Deacon Mike Underwood

Women's Resource Center Drive

Catholic Daughters is sponsoring a drive to benefit the clients of Women's Resource Center.

Women's Resource Medical Centers of Southern Nevada is a faith-based, nonprofit 501(c)3 charitable organization committed to supporting families with pregnancies. They provide complete, accurate information, and certified crisis counseling, and services to women and couples who are making decisions about unintended pregnancies.

Please bring items for infants and toddlers to Mass between now and January 29th.

Drive through drop off also available:
January 29th
9:00 AM - 11:00 AM
In front of the church

Items to donate include:
Disposable diapers and wipes
Body wash and shampoo
Infant clothing
Toddler clothing



Viatorian Vocations Corner

Ideas for Fostering Vocations and Accompanying Discerners
How can parents support their children who may have this
invitation from God?

- Love and care for them well!
- Pray for your children, now and always.
- Advocate for your children to learn God's invitation for themselves.
- Remain open and humble as your children learn their gifts and passions.
- Patiently check in on them they may not let you in quickly or completely.
- Don't be afraid of their choice. Parents of priests and religious should be proud of the strong faith that is present in their family and home.
- Show an interest by listening, learning about diocesan programs and religious communities, and offering accompaniment.

 Adapted from the USCCB.



Family members and all gathered for his vow profession ceremony stand to affirm Br. Peter Lamick, CSV.

PARISH NEWS

Thank you from Project Access

Dear St. Viator Catholic Community,

There are no words to express the appreciation and gratitude from the residents at all three Project Access resource centers! You provided families with warm gloves, socks, blankets, gifts from the heart, an opportunity to provide something for everyone. Children, parents, grandparents, newborn babies and so much more! (The Project Access staff purchased items for the residents with the "Thanks Giving Tree" gift cards donated by parishioners.)

During the struggles throughout the year for many of our residents Christmas was the last thing on their mind. They were trying to keep a roof over their heads, food in their bellies, and the lights on. Because of your generosity and kindness everyone was able to enjoy happiness and know that hope is still alive.

With much gratitude, Tammy and Dominic Project Access Las Vegas



Project Access is the leading provider of vital on-site health, education and employment services to families, children, and seniors living in affordable housing.









PARISH NEWS



Support our parish school by attending the annual Foundation Dinner & Auction.

See the back cover of this bulletin for information on registration for our parish school's 2022-2023 academic year.

December 13, 2021

Dear Fr. Rinn and Everyone at St. Viator Catholic Community,

Please thank the youth in the Confirmation class for putting together 200 bag lunches. Joe and Mary Burns brought them last Thursday morning, and we have delivered them to the homeless along the city's highways and byways.

Blessings, Gary Cavalier and all at Las Vegas Catholic Worker



December's
Homeless
Lunches
were
packed
by our
Confirmation
Students.



FAITH & WORSHIP

Taizé Prayer Captures Advent Stillness



It has been four years since young people started a Taizé prayer service at St. Viator Catholic Community in Las Vegas. What began as an outgrowth of their experience at the Viatorian Youth Congress, brought so much peace to parishioners after the shooting massacre in 2017, that the service stuck and has been a mainstay in the parish ever since.

Holding it during Advent, seemed especially fitting.

"Taizé is good for the soul — and Advent," said Viatorian Associate Rosy Hartz, who helps young people in the parish organize the service each month.

As with most Taizé prayer services, it takes place in a darkened church, lit only by candles. During the hour, there are periods of silence with meditative readings from Scripture, prayers of praise and intercession, and the frequent repetition of simple, contemporary music or chants based on the Psalms.

"There's no place I would have rather been tonight," added Viatorian Associate Juliann Dwyer of the St. Viator service that took place December 14.

It was Fr. Corey Brost, CSV, who first brought Taizé prayer to the Viatorian Community. In 1999, he began offering it at the Viatorian Province Center, reaching out to both Saint Viator High School students as well as supporters of the Viatorians. Since then, nearly all the places where Viatorians minister offer Taizé prayer.



"Those that come, without exception, tell me they find a remarkable peace during the evening," Fr. Brost says. "It's a wonderful way to connect with God. The music and the ritual seem to open people up so that they experience God's love and peaceful presence."

Watch the bulletin and flocknote for the Lenten Taizé

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Fr. Bill Haesaert, CSV, with some of the young people involved.

WELCOME!



Welcome to St. Viator!

Our parish is administered by the Clerics of St. Viator, Chicago Province. Clerics of St. Viator were founded in Vourles. France in the 19th century after the French Revolution. Fr. Louis Querbes created the order to provide much-needed education. As patron saint of the congregation.

Fr. Querbes chose Viator, a young, 4th century catechist-lector of the cathedral church of Lyons, France. St. Viator was devoted to teaching youth, especially the poor, and serving parishes in all matters related to the liturgical practice.

The "Viatorians" came to Las Vegas in 1954. They were asked to administer the first Catholic high school in southern Nevada and they started this parish as well. Mass was held in the home of parishioners, then a bank and various other locations. The parish moved to this location in the '60s when the parish school was built.

Our current church was opened in 1995. Our Parish Center, the building immediately to the south, was the church from 1977 until 1995 and before that, Mass was said in the school gym.

Our Parish School is pre-K thru 8th grade. Students are offered a variety of co-curricular programs, including a science fair, geography bee, spelling bee, forensics, band, video broadcasting, and class trips for Junior High, culminating with the 8th Grade trip to Washington, D.C.



Stand and Be Counted: New Members Welcome!

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. Being a registered parishioner makes things much easier when it is time for infant baptism, school registration, weddings, volunteering for a parish organization, when asked to be a baptism or confirmation sponsor, and even funerals.

We are often asked to provide affidavits for baptism and confirmation sponsors. We can only do this if a person is a registered, active, and contributing member in our parish. How do you know if you are already registered? A registered parishioner receives all parish mailings.

So, are you a registered parishioner? If not, please consider registering. Registration forms are always available online at www.stviator.org and at the parish office, or fill out the information below and drop it in the collection basket. We will mail a registration packet to you.

Yes, I want to register at St. Viator!

Name		
Address		
City, State, Zip		
Email address		

FAITH & STEWARDSHIP

Stewardship in the New Year: Making Commitments to the Lord

Stewardship is a commitment of mind and heart to the Lord; a way of life that needs constant renewal and transformation. This time of year has always been one of looking forward to a new year, reflecting on the changes we need to make in our lives and resolving to follow through on those changes. Perhaps those who seek to make resolutions to be better stewards might find inspiration in one or more of the following examples:

Stewardship of Prayer: Resolve to strengthen your relationship with the Lord through prayer. Notice how often you pray and what hinders you from praying. If you are a beginner, commit to short, daily prayer times.



Stewardship of Family: Resolve to set aside more time to stay connected with your family. Eat dinner together, schedule regular dates with your spouse, plan family outings, and go to Mass together. Practice patience and forgiveness.

Stewardship of Health: Resolve to get those medical and dental checkups. Adopt healthier eating habits. Add exercise and other physical activity to your daily routine.

Stewardship of Possessions: Resolve to possess a little more "lightly" this year. Consider ways you can reduce the amount of all that stuff you own. Distinguish between those items that are necessary and those that are considered luxurious and unnecessary.

Stewardship of the Parish Family: Resolve to serve your faith community in some way this year such as at liturgy, in the parish's outreach or education and formation efforts. Is it time to enhance your generosity to the parish? Have you registered with your parish?

Stewardship of Money: Resolve to render sacred your annual budget. Reprioritize your financial goals to ensure that the Lord comes first in your spending. Take positive steps to improve your financial health.

Stewardship of Work: Resolve to be faithful to your daily, work-related tasks and offer them up to the Lord. Cultivate your skills. Deepen your knowledge. Be mindful of how you are building the Kingdom of God

Stewardship of Mind: Resolve to keep your mind active. Commit to being more informed on the issues of the day. Read your Bible.

Stewardship of Neighbor: Resolve to be a person of hospitality and mercy. Make time and space for others who enter your life. Be more aware of those times when a neighbor, co-worker, fellow parishioner or stranger, needs a moment of kindness, a little attention or an affirming gesture on your part.

Stewardship of the Poor: Resolve to live with more compassion and in solidarity with those less fortunate. Remember the poor in prayer, and commit to helping relieve in some way the plight of those who are impoverished or marginalized.



Gospel Reflection

"We are called to live our baptism every day, as new creatures, clothed in Christ." — Pope Francis

What reference point do you use when making decisions? Many times, impulse takes control and decisions are made based solely on emotion and desire. We all know that these types of decisions can often get us into trouble. When a person has a confident sense of who they are and a real understanding of what is important and of value, the likelihood of kneejerk impulsive choices diminishes. Baptism gives us what we need to make well informed and purposeful decisions. By this simple gesture, God claims us as His own and provides us with the identity and purpose we need to properly live life.

It is tremendously reassuring, when we truly embrace this revelation and realize that we no longer have to wonder about the purpose of our lives or struggle to find our way. The answer of who we are in God has been given to us. We no longer have to fumble around, trip over ourselves or walk aimlessly about. Issues surrounding the sacredness of life, the meaning of death, the protection of those most vulnerable, care for the weak and the poor, offering hospitality to those in search of a home, the purpose and proper place of work, how to create a just social order, caring for creation, and understanding our roles as heralds and stewards are just a few of the wonderful gifts baptism brings. When we make decisions based on things such as these core Gospel truths we really act as Christ himself, revealing to others the new creations that we are. This is how we live our baptism.

It is difficult to walk against the tide. Yet, that is precisely what baptism calls us to do. Although we are sinners, in need of mercy and far from perfection we are called to order our life and make decisions based upon the wisdom and guidance of Almighty God. He alone is the one who can claim us as His sons and daughters. Standing up for our principles will not make us popular. But who ever said Christianity is a popularity contest? Baptism calls us to stand up for that which goes against the grain of secularism. Standing in line with other sinners, we have our anchor to steady us in the tempests of life and God is very pleased. Forge ahead. There is nothing to fear.

Stewardship Reflection

I Hope I Am Like Him

"Who is this Christ? Is he like you?"

Perhaps you've heard this story, often attributed to the life of St. Teresa of Calcutta. A sick man asked her this question, as he marveled at her tireless service to himself and others in the name of someone named Jesus Christ.

"He is nothing like me," the saint is said to have answered. "But I hope I am like him."

Though the authenticity of this exchange cannot be verified, its message rings perfectly true: all the value of our stewardship lies in its relativity to the one in whose name we perform it.

Consider the figure of John the Baptist — a magnificent, towering character even purely from a literary or historical perspective. A martyr who fed on wild locusts and boldly spoke truth to power — a man so great some mistook him for the Messiah.

But why is he great? Because he prepared the ΑII his way. accomplishments and escapades mean nothing if they are taken out of the context of salvation history. He only makes sense relative to Christ — and this is exactly as he wanted it. "One worthier than I is coming," he insists. And because of that humility and that total embrace of God's will, he is given one of the greatest honors in the New Testament — he baptizes the Son of God.

Let's examine our lives in the light of their relativity to Christ. How do we prepare the way? When Christ comes to us, what do we do? How do we leave ourselves open to be actors in God's plan?

Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS

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FAITH & WORSHIP

Mass Intentions			
MASS	PRIEST	INTENTIONS	
SATURDAY, JANUARY 8			
	Fr. Lentz JANUARY 9	Rafael Fontenot	
8:00 AM	Fr. Rinn	Clairmarie Slaveck	
10:00 AM	Fr. Lentz	Thomas Joseph Preusse	
12:00 PM	Fr. Rinn	Helen Magdalene Cesnik Eduardo Dunner	
5:00 PM	Fr. von Behren	Robert Ernest Preusse	
MONDAY, JANUARY 10 – NO MASS			
TUESDAY, JANUARY 11			
6:45 AM	Fr. Rinn	Deceased members of Alberto family	
WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 12			
8:15 AM	Fr. Rinn	Robert Ernest Preusse	
THURSDAY, JANUARY 13			
6:45 AM	Fr. Rinn	Anthony Nolan	
FRIDAY, JANUARY 14			
8:15 AM	Fr. Rinn	Deceased members of Dizon family	
SATURDAY, JANUARY 15			
4:00 PM	Fr. Rinn	Dennis Hancock	
SUNDAY, JANUARY 16			
8:00 AM	Fr. Lentz	Ernest Ball	
10:00 AM	Fr. Rinn	For the People	
12:00 PM	Fr. Nolan	Eduardo Dunner	
5:00 PM	Fr. Lentz	Jennifer Ball	



SUNDAY, JANUARY 9

Isaiah 42:1-4, 6-7 Psalms 29:1-2, 3-4, 3, 9-10 [11b] Acts 10:34-38 Luke 3:15-16, 21-22

MONDAY, JANUARY 10

1 Samuel 1:1-8 Psalms 116:12-13, 14-17, 18-19 Mark 1:14-20

TUESDAY, JANUARY 11

1 Samuel 1:9-20 1 Samuel 2:1, 4-5, 6-7, 8abcd Mark 1:21-28

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 12

1 Samuel 3:1-10, 19-20 Psalms 40:2 and 5, 7-8a, 8b-9, 10 Mark 1:29-39

THURSDAY, JANUARY 13

1 Samuel 4:1-11 Psalms 44:10-11, 14-15, 24-25 Mark 1:40-45

FRIDAY, JANUARY 14

1 Samuel 8:4-7, 10-22a Psalms 89:16-17, 18-19 Mark 2:1-12

SATURDAY, JANUARY 15

1 Samuel 9:1-4, 17-19; 10:1a Psalms 21:2-3, 4-5, 6-7 Mark 2:13-17

SUNDAY, JANUARY 16

Isaiah 62:1-5 Psalms 96:1-2, 2-3, 7-8, 9-10 [3] 1 Corinthians 12:4-11 John 2:1-11



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GAS STATION CHALKBOARD QUOTES TO PONDER

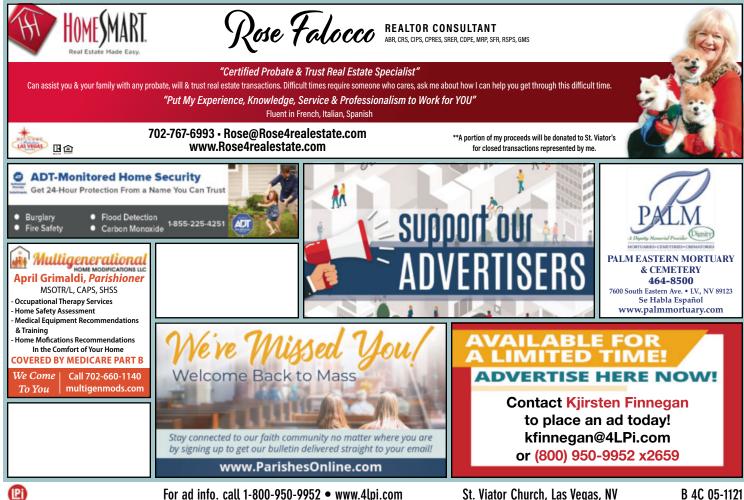
Can you imagine wanting to make sure you drove by a certain gas station every day? Just to see what the message was on the chalk board? It's true — a gas station has become quite a landmark in Gauteng, South Africa, with its daily #PetrolPumpWisdom which are uplifting quotes written on a chalkboard. Some people say they deliberately travel this route just to read the quote which brightens their day. Read the entire article at https://mountainreporter.com/gas -pump-wisdom/















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St. Viator Parish School Registration for 2022 - 2023

Whether you are selecting a "school home" for the next ten years and preparing your child for Pre-Kindergarten, or searching out a new warm, safe learning environment for your children, come and experience St. Viator School. Schedule a tour by calling the school office at 702.732.4477 or email mjmarlow@stivator.org.



Beginning the first week of January 2022 we will be accepting registrations for the 2022-2023 school year for our

Pre-Kindergarten Program. This program is designed to build academic, social and physical skills as well as bringing unity and continuity to each curricular area. Formal prayers are taught and spontaneous prayer is encouraged.

Pre-Kindergarten is full-day beginning at 8:00 AM with dismissal at 2:25 PM. This is a five-day a week program. To attend children must be 4 years of age by October 1st of that school year.



Beginning the first week of January 2022 we also will be accepting applications for our Kindergarten Program. Our Kindergarten is a full-day

program and will consist of, but not be limited to, the following activities: Religion, Language Arts, Spanish, Math, Handwriting, Science and Social Studies, P.E., Art, Music, and Computer. Classes begin at 8:00 AM and are dismissed at 2:35 PM. To attend Kindergarten children must be 5 years of age by October 1st of that school year.

Applications for all other grades are taken throughout the month of February with testing in March and notification of acceptance in April.

If you have any questions please contact
Mrs. Mary Jane Marlow at mjmarlow@stviator.org
or call 702.732.4477 extension 100.
Visit the school website at stviatorschool.org

