



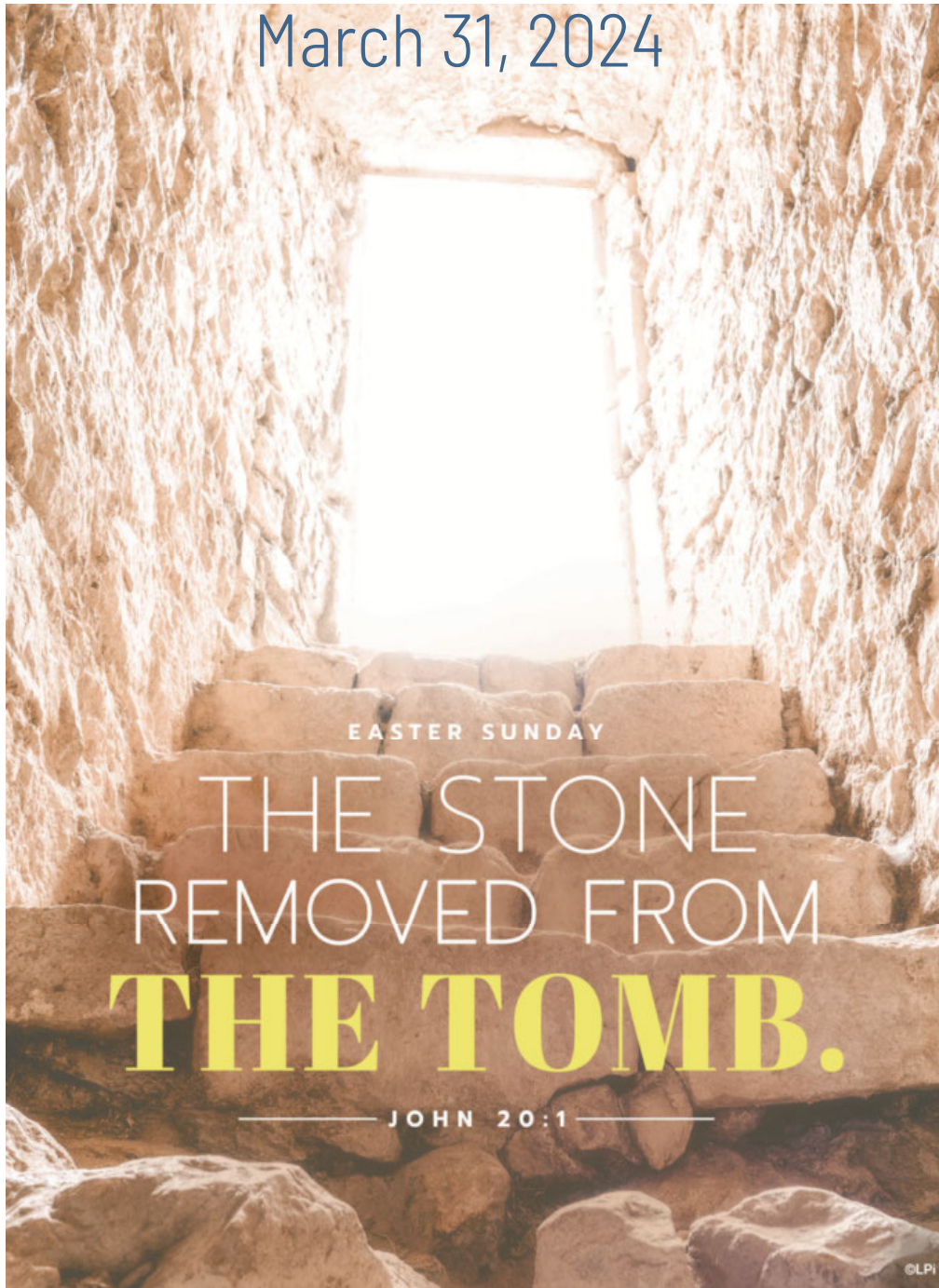
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March 31, 2024

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JOHN 20:1

Welcome!

Mass Schedule
April 1 - 7

Weekday Mass
in the Chapel

Monday - No Mass
Wednesday - 8:15 AM
Thursday - 6:45 AM
Friday - 8:15 AM

Communion Service
Tuesday - 6:45 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



PARISH NEWS



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 Jamie Reyburn jreyburn@stviator.org to register for the two session parent class held the second and third Wednesday of the month at 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 Masses.

Faces of Hunger



Thank you to everyone who generously donated to this year's Faces of Hunger Campaign to assist our neighbors served through the programs of Catholic Charities who are struggling with food insecurity or are in need of a home.

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Easter Blessings

Fr. Richard Rinn, C.S.V.

Fr. Larry Lentz, C.S.V.

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

Fr. Mick Egan, C.S.V.

Fr. Bill Haesaert, C.S.V.

Deacon Michael Underwood



PARISH NEWS

Taizé Prayer Approaches Milestone in Viatorian Community

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by E. Daday



Young people at St. Viator Catholic Community in Las Vegas organized a Taizé prayer service Wednesday night, March 6th, giving parishioners a chance for prayerful contemplation during Lent. Its candlelit setting casts the sanctuary in a purple glow, reflecting the color of Lent and symbolizing penance, preparation and sacrifice.

Organizers included young adults and Viatorian associates, who coordinated and planned the service, with the help of teens in the parish's Youth Group. These same young people organized a Taizé prayer service in December, after the shooting on the UNLV campus. Leaders included Vanessa Marshall, who handled readings, set-up and printing the worship aids, while Associate Anthony Gugino directed the music, and Associates Tommy Gugino and Ky Guerrero sang the hymns.

It was some of these same young people who suggested the parish host a Taizé prayer service back in 2017, after the shooting massacre in Las Vegas, and it has become an important part of the prayer life of the parish ever since. The meditative service includes periods of silence with readings from Scripture, prayers of praise and intercession, and the frequent repetition of simple, contemporary music, or chants, based on the Psalms.



Viator Youth involved with the Taize prayer service at St. Viator Catholic Community.



Associate Anthony Gugino accompanies singers, including Associates Ky Guerrero and Tommy Gugino, right.

Taizé prayer has become such a valued tradition among Viatorians, that it is offered at nearly all the places where they minister, as well as at the Viatorian Youth Congress each summer. In fact, this year marks the 25th year that Viatorians began hosting the prayer service.

“Those that come, without exception, tell me they find a remarkable peace during the evening,” says Fr. Corey Brost, CSV, who first introduced the service to the Viatorian Community, back in 1999, “It’s a wonderful way to connect with God,” he adds. “The music and the ritual seem to open people up so that they experience God’s love and peaceful presence.”

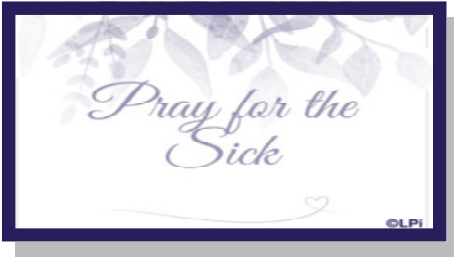
Taizé prayer originated with an ecumenical community of Christians in Taizé, France, who continue to gather daily to chant and meditate together. Its simple chants praise God and plea for God’s help.

At St. Viator, the service was promoted in their Sunday bulletin as a Lenten activity allowing parishioners to dive into their faith and connect with God on a deeper level. (If you were unable to attend the Lenten Taizé - watch the bulletin for the next opportunity.)



College students, including Abby Hartz, left, helped with set-up.

PARISH NEWS



- Joan Skaggs,
12/24 Medel Family,
The Holy Land
- 12/31 The Meier Family
- Madison Bowe,
Tom & Ginny Edwards,
1/21 Jerry Lingle,
Loy Prado,
Valerie Salerno,
R. Timbal
- 2/4 Paulette Quintal
- 2/11 Isidora Batac,
Rosie & Cesar Graziano
- Robin Buonarigo,
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3/3 Mackowiak Family,
Michalski Family,
Vincent Policriti,
Karen Ray
- 3/10 Ricky Reiger
David Washington
- 3/24 Michael Boccadoro



Frank Gronowski



St. Viator Catholic Daughters of the Americas Court 2118 is sponsoring a

Bunco Party and Luncheon

Saturday, April 13 ~ St. Viator Parish Center Hall

Doors open at 11:30 AM ~ Lunch served at Noon
Bunco from 1:00 PM - 3:30 PM

Make some new friends over lunch and Bunco.
An afternoon of prizes, and FUN!

Ticket Price - \$20, Tickets are available in the parish office.



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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
in the Fr. White Room of our Parish Center**

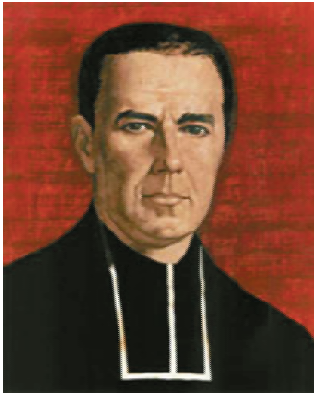
GriefShare is designed in that you can still get valuable information even if you join after the cycle has begun.

For more information go to griefshare.org

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.

Welcome to St. Viator!

Stay Connected! New Members Welcome!



Fr. Louis Querbes

Our parish is administered by the Clerics of St. Viator, Chicago Province. The 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 1960's 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.



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 box. We will mail a registration packet to you.

Yes, I want to register at St. Viator!



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Since it was first awarded in 1912, more than 2 million young men have achieved the Boy Scouts of America's highest rank.

Those who strive to complete an Eagle Scout Project must complete numerous merit badges in all areas before they can begin this endeavor.

The Eagle Scout Project goal is to bring positive change in the community by identifying a need and seeking a way to assist.

Austin Sligar has chosen to hold an activity drive to benefit the Southern Nevada State Veteran's Home (Boulder City) as the focus of his Eagle Scout Project.

Please bring **new** items from the list on the flyer to Mass next weekend to bring joy to the residents of the Nevada State Veteran's Home located in Boulder City.

Austin thanks all who donate in advance for their assistance with his Eagle Scout Project.



Outside Chicago, there is a small cemetery in the woods behind Mundelein Seminary, where I was a student. One night I was exploring it. I looked up and was shocked to see an imposing seventeen-foot angel towering over me and preparing to blow a trumpet. Adrenaline rushed through me. I gasped and uttered, “Oh my God!” Quickly I realized it was in fact a massive bronze statue. I tried to calm myself down. But it still freaked me out.

As we begin to celebrate Easter today, this image might seem a bit unnerving. But please recall that for the first disciples on the morning of the Resurrection, it was precisely that. It wasn't joyful at first, it was terrifying. It wasn't peaceful, it was unsettling. In that Jerusalem cemetery, something otherworldly had happened. Angels announced that he was no longer dead, but alive. They had blown their trumpets, so to speak, and Jesus had risen. Soon the disciples' shock in that dark cemetery would turn into joy.

We all have our own places of the dead, too, don't we? Deceased loved ones. Our tired patterns of blame. Relationships stuck in resentment. Indifference to the poor. Lost dreams. Despair about our future. Fear of sickness and death. These are our “cemeteries” where we don't expect much to happen. Today we enter — if we dare — those places with the disciples. See the mighty angel standing there, trumpet ready to blare!

~ Father John Muir
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What Would Mary Do?

This Easter morning, I am thinking of Mary Magdalene.

I want to know her state of mind as she approached the tomb in the darkness. Was she afraid? Was she thinking clearly? Was she tired? Had grief and trauma robbed her of her sleep the last two nights? What did she intend to do? Anoint Christ's body, yes — but what else? Kiss his hands, trace the markings where the lash had fallen upon his skin? Say goodbye? Weep?

What were the words she planned to whisper into the cold, empty darkness that morning, as she wept over God's body?

I don't know anything about her state of mind that Easter morning, except that I know she wanted to be with Christ. Perhaps that was all she knew, too. Perhaps she had no other thought, no other desire, than nearness to him. She didn't need to understand everything, and she didn't expect answers — she didn't dare hope for that.

But everything and everyone had fallen apart around her, and in Jesus' presence she knew her heart would be able to rest.

If you have ever been in the midst of a crisis in your life and found yourself pacing the floors of your house when no one else is awake, muttering the words to a prayer you know by heart, you know what Mary Magdalene felt. In those moments, we do not always feel God's presence. Sometimes, when we look for Him, we only see an empty tomb.

When these dark moments come, I pray you will remember the faithfulness of this great saint. Be like Mary Magdalene. Look for Jesus, always. You may not always find him, but he will always find you.

“She ran and went to Simon Peter and to the other disciple whom Jesus loved, and told them, ‘They have taken the Lord from the tomb, and we don't know where they put him.’”

- John 20:2

~ Colleen Jurkiewicz Dorman
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FAITH & WORSHIP



MASS PRIEST INTENTIONS

SATURDAY, MARCH 30 - EASTER VIGIL

7:00 PM Fr. Rinn For the People

SUNDAY, MARCH 31 - EASTER

8:00 AM Fr. Rinn For the People

10:00 AM Fr. Lentz For the People

12:00 PM Fr. Lentz For the People

5:00 PM Fr. Egan For the People

MONDAY, APRIL 1

No Mass

TUESDAY, APRIL 2

6:45 AM Communion Service

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 3

8:15 AM Fr. Rinn Luz L. Atienza

THURSDAY, APRIL 4

6:45 AM Fr. Rinn Avelino Cuadra Aposacas

FRIDAY, APRIL 5

8:15 AM Fr. Rinn Estelle Rose Carr

SATURDAY, APRIL 6

4:00 PM Fr. Lentz Richard Williams

SUNDAY, APRIL 7

8:00 AM Fr. Egan James Alvin Richards

10:00 AM Fr. Egan Bernadette Conklin
Francis Gronowski

12:00 PM Fr. Rinn Jessica Canale

5:00 PM Fr. Rinn Ramon Rosales



SUNDAY, MARCH 31

Acts 10:34a, 37-43
Psalms 118:1-2, 16-17, 22-23 (24)
Colossians 3:1-4
John 20:1-9

MONDAY, APRIL 1

Acts 2:14, 22-33
Psalms 16:1-2a and 5, 7-8, 9-10, 11
Matthew 28:8-15

TUESDAY, APRIL 2

Acts 2:36-41
Psalms 33:4-5, 18-19, 20 and 22
John 20:11-18

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 3

Acts 3:1-10
Psalms 105:1-2, 3-4, 6-7, 8-9
Luke 24:13-35

THURSDAY, APRIL 4

Acts 3:11-26
Psalms 8:2ab and 5, 6-7, 8-9
Luke 24:35-48

FRIDAY, APRIL 5

Acts 4:1-12
Psalms 118:1-2, and 4, 22-24, 25-27a
John 21:1-14

SATURDAY, APRIL 6

Acts 4:13-21
Psalms 118:1 and 14-15ab, 16-18, 19-21
Mark 16:9-15

SUNDAY, APRIL 7

Acts 4:32-35
Psalms 118:2-4, 13-15, 22-24 (1)
1 John 5:1-6
John 20:19-31

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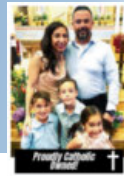
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ST. VIATOR COMMUNITY'S LENTEN SEASON



A glimpse of this year's activities, prayer and giving campaign which provided opportunities for a more meaningful Lent with the support of our faith community.

A screening of *The Two Popes* was available as well as guided discussions with movie clips of *Les Misérables*, both media presentations focused on the themes of forgiveness and reconciliation.



Opportunities for prayer were available - including Taizé/ Adoration and Stations of the Cross.



God's mercy was available through the sacrament of Reconciliation during our parish penance service and regularly scheduled weekly confession each Saturday.



The Lenten Friday Fish Fry Sponsored by the Knights of Columbus provided our community a delicious way to abstain from meat each Friday while gathering with friends and family.



Our parish participated in the Faces of Hunger campaign providing the opportunity for each of us to donate to Catholic Charities' numerous programs which assist neighbors in need.

