25TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME "The last will be first, and the first will be last." SEPTEMBER 20, 2026

# Saint Vincent de Paul Roman Catholic Church

Gracing the skyline of Hanover since 1905.
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Rev. Michael P Reid II, Pastor Sandra Clark, Director of Religious Education



Parable of the Workers in the Vineyard [Codex aureus Epternacensis]

**Confessions**: Saturdays 9:00 a.m.; First Sundays between 9:00 a.m. and 10:00 a.m.; and by appointment

**Masses**: Saturday at 4:30 p.m.; Sunday at 7:30 a.m. & 10:30 a.m.; Monday through Friday at 8:00 a.m.; First Saturday at 8:00 a.m.; Holy Day Vigil at 5:30 p.m.; Holy Day at 8:00 a.m. and 7:00 p.m.; except Christmas, New Year

**Eucharistic Adoration**: Friday at 8:30 a.m. to 9:30 a.m.; First Sundays - Saturday at 3:30 p.m. to 4:30 p.m. and Sunday at 8:30 a.m. to 10:30 a.m.; during Monthly Children's Rosary

**Rosary**: Monday to Friday at 7:20 a.m.; Saturday at 4:00 p.m.; Sunday at 10:00 a.m.; Monthly Children's Rosary (check schedule inside)

**Office Hours:** Monday through Thursday 8:30 a.m. to Noon, and 1:00 p.m. to 3:00 p.m.; Friday 9:30 a.m. to Noon, and 1:00 p.m. to 3:00 p.m.; Monday-Friday; Closed weekends, Holy Days & Holidays

**Parish Religious Education (K-8th)**: 8:45 A.M. to 10:15 A.M. on Sundays, September - May. For more information please contact Sandra Clark: (717) 632-1461 or smclark@pa.net.

**Parish Thrift Shop:** Open Tuesdays, Wednesdays, Fridays, and Saturdays, 10:00 A.M. to 2:00 P.M. Located in the basement of the Parish Education Building. (717) 633-6198.

**Suicide and Crisis Hotline: 988**

**Alternatives to Abortion**:
call (717) 854-6285 or 1 (888) LIFE-AID [5433-243].

**Tender Care Pregnancy Consultation Services**:
600 John Street, Hanover, PA;
Text (717) 862-7050; Call (717) 633-1200;
Jackie@tendercare.org; Lori@tendercare.org

**Help After Abortion:**
Project Rachel (717) 857-2282; prm@hbgdiocese.org

**Anointing of Sick:** If you, or your loved one, is going to be admitted to or is in the hospital and would like to receive the Anointing of the Sick, Confession, Holy Eucharist, or a visit from clergy or parishioner, then you MUST call the Parish Office or ask the hospital Chaplain to call the Parish Office.

**Baptisms:** will be scheduled on an individual basis; generally, Baptisms are celebrated Sundays at 12:30 P.M. A sacramental preparation class is required of parents and godparents.

**Weddings:** Engaged couples: please contact the Parish Office at least one year before the anticipated date of your wedding. We look forward to working with you as you prepare yourselves spiritually for the Sacrament of Matrimony.

## Mass Intentions This Week

**Sat Septem 19** *St Januarius, Bishop and Martyr*
**Vigil : 25th Sunday in Ordinary Time**
4:30 pm Grace Buffington

**Sun Septem 20 25th Sunday in Ordinary Time**
7:30 am Rebecca Bixler
10:30 am People of the Parish

**Mon Septem 21 St Matthew, Apostle & Evangelist**
8:00 am Frances Clabaugh

**Tue Septem 22**
8:00 am Wayne Lookenbill

**Wed Septem 23 St Pius of Pietrelcina, Priest**
8:00 am John & Mildred Bennett

**Thu Septem 24**
8:00 am R. Joseph & Dolores Lawrence

**Fri Septem 25**
8:00 am Price Peeling
8:30 am Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament +
9:30 am Benediction Adoration

**Sat Septem 26** *Saints Cosmas and Damian, Martyrs*
**Vigil : 26th Sunday in Ordinary Time**
*Order of Christian Initiation of Adults*
4:30 pm MaryAnn Smith

**PARISH PATRONAL FEAST DAY!**

**Sun Septem 27 26th Sunday in Ordinary Time**
7:30 am People of the Parish
10:30 am John & Kathryn Farrington

Everyone is encouraged to gather for the

**ROSARY ON THE SQUARE IN HANOVER**

to pray for America and the world at 12 Noon this coming Saturday, September 26th.

You are welcome to bring a lawn chair and a blanket.

Please contact Cynthia Freeman for more information: (717) 515-9304; **amikilak@gmail.com**

## VOCATIONS

"The last will be first, and the first will be last." (Matthew 20:16)

God's kingdom values humility and self-giving. Those in consecrated life embrace poverty, offering their lives in service to others, just as Mother Teresa of Calcutta did. Pray about how God might be inviting you to live generously for His people and consider learning more about this vocation. Talk to your priest or reach out to the Vocation Office at (717) 657-4804 ext. 282 or via email: vocations@hbgdiocese.org.

## Parish Life This Week

**Sat September 19**
**9:00 am - Sacrament of Reconciliation / Church**
10:00 am - Thrift Shop open until 2:00 pm
4:00 pm - Rosary / Church

**Sun September 20**
10:00 am - Rosary / Church

**Mon September 21**
7:20 am - Rosary / Church

**Tue September 22**
7:20 am - Rosary / Church
10:00 am - Thrift Shop open until 2:00 pm

**Wed September 23**
7:20 am - Rosary / Church
10:00 am - Thrift Shop open until 2:00 pm
7:00 pm - HDCCW Rosary / Zoom-Telephone-Home

**Thu September 24**
7:20 am - Rosary / Church

**Fri September 25**
7:20 am - Rosary / Church
10:00 am - Thrift Shop open until 2:00 pm
12:00 pm - Legion of Mary Praesidium / Library
6:00 pm - OCIA session

**Sat September 26**
**9:00 am - Sacrament of Reconciliation / Church**
10:00 am - Thrift Shop open until 2:00 pm
4:00 pm - Rosary / Church
**5:30 pm - Family Potluck Dinner / Auditorium**

### Annual Parish
## Forty Hours Eucharistic Devotions
**September 27th—29th**

Brothers and Sisters in Christ, fill the church these three evenings to adore the Lord Jesus Christ in the Blessed Sacrament and listen to Bishop Emeritus Ronald W. Gainer preach on the Word of God during Evening Prayer.

Peace in Christ, Father Michael

## RACHEL'S VINEYARD RETREAT

Rachel's Vineyard is a place of healing and hope for those struggling from an abortion. Our weekend retreats are uniquely designed to help you experience the mercy and compassion of God in a safe, confidential, nonjudgmental group environment.
**Next Weekend Retreat: Nov. 13-15, 2026 in Columbia, Lancaster County, PA.**
To register, or for more information, contact
Leah: leahsoulfilledbygrace@gmail.com or call/text 609-709-3479 or
Ana: anasoulfilledbygrace@gmail.com or call/text 908-319-2950. All Confidential; Sponsored by the Diocese of Harrisburg.

## Liturgical Ministers Schedule

| | EMofHC | Lector | Altar Servers |
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| **September 19 / 20** | **Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time** | | |
| 4:30 p.m. | H. Strausbaugh | N. Spangler | F. Lykes |
| 7:30 a.m. | M. Frye | C. Caracino | T. & V. Caracino |
| 10:30 a.m. | J. Mundorff | J. Krill | B. Wildasin, C. Oparanozie, N. Brinkerhoff |
| **September 26 / 27** | **Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary Time** | | |
| 4:30 p.m. | P. Christian | J. Krill | A. & T. Kuhn |
| 7:30 a.m. | J. Smith | N. Spangler | T. & V. Caracino |
| 10:30 a.m. | J. Ferguson | M. Lybarger | H. & K. Roth |

## THE FRECKLED MOOSE
## BUTTER BRAID PASTRY FUNDRAISER

is scheduled for this Fall beginning Monday, October 12, and continuing through Friday, November 13, arriving just before Thanksgiving. All of the favorites are back, including their famous Carmel Rolls! Please watch the bulletin and St. Vincent Facebook page to place your order. Since the "Raise the Cross" initiative, this Butter Braid fundraiser has been a fixture at Saint Vincent. Given decreasing sales these past three years, if there is not sufficient parishioner support this Fall, this fundraiser may not continue next year.

## WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDIES AT SACRED HEART CHURCH

**WALKING WITH PURPOSE** (WWP) is a program that meets women right where they are and transforms their hearts. We are thrilled to announce that we will offer two Bible studies this season:

**Opening Your Heart**, our foundational study, is perfect for women with or without Bible study experience. This study is designed to inspire thoughtful consideration of the fundamental questions of faith – from why and how to pray to the role of the Holy Spirit in our lives and the purpose of suffering. Join us on Friday mornings from 9:00 – 10:30 am beginning October 2nd through April 30th for a 22-week study held in our newly renovated barn.

**Fearless and Free** studies the book of Ephesians and is ideal for those who long for wholeness of heart and are in need of freedom from past wounds. Learn how to find the deeper healing God wants to give us. Join us on Wednesday evenings during CCD from 6:15 – 7:30 pm from November 4th through February 3rd for an 11-week study held in our newly renovated barn.

Please text or call Sarah Stokesbury at 703-919-9836 or email her at sarah.stokesbury@gdit.com for more information or to register for either study.

## TAKE-OUT TURNKEY DINNER!

Immaculate Conception B.V.M. Catholic Church in New Oxford will hold their monthly "Take-Out" Turkey Dinner on **September 20th** in their Parish Center Cafeteria (located behind the church), from 10:30 a.m. until 1:00 p.m. Cost is $12.00.

## Pancake Breakfast
***Knights of Columbus***

Sunday, September 20, 2026
8 am - 10 am
St. Vincent's Gym



Enjoy a delicious **all-you-can-eat** breakfast featuring pancakes, eggs, sausage, potatoes, coffee, and juice. There will be no charge at the door, but **goodwill offerings** will be accepted.



## THRIFT SHOP NEWS!!!

Following a week-long hiatus for "Changeover", the Thrift Shop reopens at **10:00 AM this Tuesday, September 22nd**. Our many thanks for your continued support to the Thrift Shop. We feel very blessed by all of you.

## Saint Vincent de Paul Roman Catholic Church

### Identity

We are a messianic people established by Christ as a communion of life, charity and truth.

### Mission

We are at work with Christ as His instruments for the redemption of all. We are sent forth by Christ into the whole world as the light of the world and the salt of the earth.

## *K of C* CHRISTMAS BAZAAR RAFFLE TABLE DONATIONS

The Knights of Columbus Council #14865 is collecting quality items for our Christmas Bazaar Raffle Table. The Bazaar is on **Saturday, November 7th**. If you have any items you would like to donate, please contact Craig Bittinger or any member of the Knights of Columbus:
Home: (717) 637-0476
Cell: (267) 324-4188
Email: c.bittinger.bittinger@gmail.com

## THE PROMISES OF THE DIVINE MERCY CHAPLET

The next class in the Divine Mercy Miniseries will be on **Tuesday, October 6, 2026** at St. Joseph Church in Hanover in the church library. This next class will be on the origin and the promises of the Divine Mercy Chaplet, as well as the comparison to the Rosary. All materials will be provided. However, if you already have the "Diary of St. Maria Faustina Kowalska", it would be an added resource to bring to class as a few of the diary entries will be discussed. Please RSVP to Hope Heppding at hopehep@yahoo.com.

## CELEBRATING LIFE

With outstretched arms Christ begs us to turn toward Him, to weep for our sins, and to become the servants of love—first for ourselves, then for our neighbors.

## My Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

From the final exhortation of Andrew Kim Taegon, priest and martyr (*Pro Corea Documenta*, ed. Mission Catholique Séoul, Séoul/Paris, 1938, vol. 1, 74-75)

*Love and perseverance are the crown of faith.*

My brothers and sisters, my dearest friends, think again and again on this: God has ruled over all things in heaven and on earth from the beginning of time; then reflect on why and for what purpose he chose each one of us to be created in his own image and likeness. In this world of perils and hardship if we did not recognize the Lord as our Creator, there would be no benefit either in being born or in our continued existence. We have come into the world by God's grace; by that same grace we have received baptism, entrance into the Church, and the honor of being called Christians. Yet what good will this do us if we are Christians in name alone and not in fact? We would have come into the world for nothing, we would have entered the Church for nothing, and we would have betrayed even God and his grace. It would be better never to have been born than to receive the grace of God and then to sin against him.

Look at the farmer who cultivates his rice fields. In season he plows, then fertilizes the earth; never counting the cost, he labors under the sun to nurture the seed he has planted. When harvest time comes and the rice crop is abundant, forgetting his labor and sweat, he rejoices with an exultant heart. But if the crop is sparse and there is nothing but straw and husks, the farmer broods over his toil and sweat and turns his back on that field with a disgust that is all the greater the harder he has toiled.

The Lord is like a farmer and we are the field of rice that he fertilizes with his grace and by the mystery of the incarnation and the redemption irrigates with his blood, in order that we will grow and reach maturity. When harvest time comes, the day of judgment, those who have grown to maturity in the grace of God will find the joy of adopted children in the kingdom of heaven; those who have not grown to maturity will become God's enemies and, even though they were once his children, they will be punished according to their deeds for all eternity.

Dearest brothers and sisters: when he was in the world, the Lord Jesus bore countless sorrows and by his own passion and death founded his Church; now he gives it increase through the sufferings of his faithful. No matter how fiercely the powers of this world oppress and oppose the Church, they will never bring it down. Ever since his ascension and from the time of the apostles to the present, the Lord Jesus has made his Church grow even in the midst of tribulations.

For the last fifty or sixty years, ever since the coming of the Church to our own land of Korea, the faithful have suffered persecution over and over again. Persecution still rages and as a result many who are friends in the household of the faith, myself among them, have been thrown into prison and like you are experiencing severe distress. Because we have become the one Body, should not our hearts be grieved for the members who are suffering? Because of the human ties that bind us, should we not feel deeply the pain of our separation?

But, as the Scriptures say, God numbers the very hairs of our head and in his all-embracing providence he has care over us all. Persecution, therefore, can only be regarded as the command of the Lord or as a prize he gives or as a punishment he permits.

Hold fast, then, to the will of God and with all your heart fight the good fight under the leadership of Jesus; conquer again the diabolical power of this world that Christ has already vanquished.

I beg you not to fail in your love for one another, but to support one another and to stand fast until the Lord mercifully delivers us from our trials.

There are twenty of us in this place and by God's grace we are so far all well. If any of us is executed, I ask you not to forget our families. I have many things to say, yet how can pen and paper capture what I feel? I end this letter. As we are all near the final ordeal, I urge you to remain steadfast in faith, so that at last we will all reach heaven and there rejoice together. I embrace you all in love. [1]

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Live for God.
Be transformed by His Grace.
Go and make disciples.
Peace in Christ,

*Father Michael*

[1]https://www.liturgies.net/saints/andrewkimtaegon/readings.htm#loh

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