

RECEPTION OF THE HOLY OILS

Good evening and welcome to St. Vincent de Paul.

Earlier this week we received the Holy Oils from Bishop Aymond.

These Sacred Oils were consecrated by the Bishop and priests at the Chrism Mass.

Tonight we present them to the Community.

THE OIL OF THE SICK

This oil has been blessed by our bishop for the healing of body, mind and soul. It is used by the priest in the sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick to bring comfort and spiritual healing, and at times physical healing, to those in need.

THE OIL OF THE CATECHUMENS

This oil of catechumens has been blessed by our bishop and is used during the rite of Infant Baptism and to bless the adult catechumens during the time of study and preparation for Baptism at the Easter Vigil. Through this anointing they are strengthened by Christ to resist the power of Satan and reject evil in all its forms, as they prepare for the saving waters of baptism.

THE SACRED CHRISM

This holy chrism, a mixture of olive oil and balsam, has been consecrated by our bishop and the priests of our diocese. It will be used to anoint the newly baptized, to seal the candidates for confirmation and to anoint the hands of priests and the heads of bishops at their ordination. It is also used to consecrate altars and churches at the time of their dedication.