

# ST. VINCENT DE PAUL NEWS

NEXT GENERAL MEETING OCTOBER 7TH @ 7:00PM PARISH HALL

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- Phone Visits- 35
- Walk-in Applicants- 5

## FEAST DAY REFLECTION

St. Vincent de Paul

Vincent was born in 1581 in a small village in the Province of France to peasant farmers. They lived near a small stream named Paul. It is believed that this might have been the derivation of the family name. They wrote the name as one word – Depaul. At an early age, Vincent showed a talent for reading and writing but during his childhood, his work was as a herder of his family's livestock. At 15, his father sent him to the seminary, managing to pay for it by selling the family's oxen. Vincent managed to finish his studies under harsh conditions and helped tutor others to pay for his education. He was ordained on September 23, 1600 at the age of nineteen. The minimum age of ordination was 24 so there was a decision to

rule against his appointment. He stepped down from his appointment of being a parish priest and continued his studies in theology, receiving a Bachelor's Degree in October 1604. In 1605, Vincent was taken prisoner by pirates while on a trip to sell some property he inherited. He was auctioned off as a slave to the highest bidder and spent two years in bondage. Eventually he boarded a small boat crossing the Mediterranean returning to France. Vincent went to Rome where he continued his studies until 1609, then serving as a chaplain and a parish priest. In 1612, while ministering to a wealthy family, they supported missionaries to help the poor. In 1617, Vincent founded the "Ladies of Charity" from a group of

women within his parish. He organized wealthy women to collect funds for projects to benefit hospitals, victims of war, and to ransom slaves. With the help of St. Louise de Marillac, came the Daughters of Charity. In 1622 Vincent was appointed chaplain to the galleys. After working for some time in Paris among imprisoned galley-slaves, he returned to be the leader of what is now known as the Congregation of the Mission, or the "Vincentians". These priests, with vows of poverty, chastity, obedience and stability, were to devote themselves entirely to the people in smaller towns and villages. He was a pioneer in clerical training and was instrumental in establishing seminaries. He spent twenty-eight years serving as the spiritual director of the Convent of St. Mary of Angels. Vincent died in Paris on September 27, 1660 at the age of 79.

## TREASURER'S REPORT



**Beginning Balance- \$94,327.67**  
**Total Receipts- \$13,436.22**  
**Distributions- \$24,206.17**  
**Ending balance- \$83,557.72**

*This information is provided to you on a monthly basis by our treasurer, Paul LaPierre. This is an overall monthly summary. For more detailed information, you may contact Paul at the office by calling 892-0526.*



## September Birthdays

*Cathy Hitch*

*Charlie Magistro*

*Sandra Mueller*

*Claire Olona*

*Lorraine Ortiz*

*Lisa Rodriguez*

*Jane Romero*

*Jeff Schaff*



*He comes with  
vindication;  
with divine  
recompense,  
He comes to save*

## HEALING RETREAT SEPTEMBER 11

It is with great pride Deacon Tom Tynan and the SVdP Board are hosting a healing retreat for our conference members on Saturday September 11, 2021. As you know, this date is significant to our country. The last year and a half have been hard on our country and all citizens. Our board is glad we can finally meet in person and come togeth-

er to heal and pray. Deacon Tynan and Monsignor Raun have been working together to plan this event for our conference members. The retreat will begin with mass at 9:00AM, open to all, celebrated by Fr. Scott McKee. There will be a short break before Monsignor Raun begins his spiritual reflection based on, "The Father comforts

us in our afflictions and thus enables us to comfort those in trouble with the same consolation that we have received from Him". Monsignor will lead us in healing prayers from Lourdes. Our President, Candace Hintenach, will lead us in our annual commitment ceremony. We hope you will take the time to join us in this time of prayer and healing.

## ST. VINCENT DE PAUL WEEKEND

Our annual St. Vincent de Paul weekend is coming up the weekend of Sept. 24-25. This year Anne Austin has agreed to coordinate the undertaking. She has been working with our members to coordinate speaking from the pulpit, volunteering at the tables at the church entrances, working with St. John Vianney Parish to establish their weekend

events, and working with the priests at both parishes to coordinate the weekend activities. We are grateful to Jill Lythgoe who has coordinated this weekend event for our conference for at least the last ten years. Jill is a dedicated servant and a detailed leader. We are blessed that Jill has volunteered for so many years to lead this event

but it was time to turn it over to someone else. Thank you Jill for your years of service and dedication. Last year we were unable to speak to our parishioners due to COVID. Our speakers will give our parishioners a brief update on our finances, the tradition of home visits, how we serve the community, and a thank you for their continued support.

## OCTOBER COAT DISTRIBUTION

This year our board has decided to hold a separate coat distribution from our Thanksgiving distribution. There are many good reasons for the decision. For one, we were not able to give out coats last year due to COVID and the board did not want to take that chance again this year plus the board felt two

big events at once would be more manageable if held separately. The coat distribution will take place on Saturday, October 9th at Fr. D'Arco Hall from 10:00 am to noon. This event is by invitation only to both applicants from STA and Incarnation Conferences. We will be giving away coats, hats, gloves and scarves. Most

items are brand new. We will be looking for volunteers to help in the parking lot, check-in area, coat area itself, and a few other volunteers to help with miscellaneous things. We will need about 20 volunteers for Saturday and about 8 volunteers to help set up on Friday. Please look for an email soon to volunteer.

## THE RULE

### Purpose and Scope of Our Service

**Rule 1.3- Any Form of Personal Help-** No work of charity is foreign to the Society. It includes any form of help that alleviates suffering or deprivation and promotes human dignity and personal integrity in all their dimensions.

# September Vincentian Prayer List

Your prayers are being requested for these special intentions:

**Fred Richardson**– Healing from progression of Parkinson's and painful compression fractures– Louise Richardson

**Lori Beth Koenigsfeld**– Healing and full recovery- Terri Hall

**Donald Sears**– Recovery from a recent fall and for safe transitional living– Marcella Kramer's brother

**Daniel Taylor**– Complete healing from seizures– Diane Taylor

**Dennis Hall**– Correct diagnosis and complete recovery from illness– Terri Hall

**Jayne Bukowski**– Complete recovery from COVID– Laura Greico

**Marian Estvanko**– Complete recovery from another fall and surgery– Debby Estvanko

**Virginia**– My friend, healing and recovery– Linda Fresquez

**For all the victims of the recent disasters and their families and for all the Marines and other Americans killed in**

**Afghanistan and their loved ones-** Anne Austin

**For our country, military personnel and all the victims of the 911 attacks on our homeland.**

