



# St. Vincent de Paul Society NEWSLETTER



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*"It is for your love alone that the poor will forgive you the bread you give them."* St. Vincent de Paul

## The Lord Has Done Great Things!

*My soul proclaims the greatness of the  
Lord, my spirit rejoices in God my savior...  
The Mighty One has done great things for  
me, and holy is his name. (Luke 1:47-49)*



In Luke's gospel, Mary's words harken back to Psalm 126 where the Israelites are praising God for delivering them from the Babylonians. This Psalm and Mary's words reflect the joy that naturally flows from the saving acts of God. Throughout history, it becomes very clear that when God does great things those acts are for the benefit of not only the direct recipients of His mighty deeds but for the entire world. And no matter how great these deeds are, they are by their very nature incomplete leaving life open for future deeds and responses.

The joy of the Israelites and of Mary is our joy. The Lord has truly done great things for the Society of St. Vincent de Paul in Phoenix. From very humble beginnings, through the grace of God and the faithfulness of Vincentians and the community at large, we have grown to be one of the strongest SVdP Council's in the world. However, just like with Mary at the Annunciate and the Israelites after their deliverance, our joy and work are incomplete.

While sitting in mass surrounded by Vincentians on the Feast of the Annunciation, I became keenly aware of the enormous task that lies ahead of our Council and me as Diocesan Council President. I am so humbled by God's call and your support of me for this office. Over the course of my life, I have had the privilege of serving in numerous positions of leadership but none that have meant more to me than serving as your Diocesan Council president.

In March when my candidacy was announced, I shared with you that this is not my presidency but our presidency. Now is the time that God has chosen for us to make a difference in the lives of one another and of others. Now is the time for us to respond to the needs in front of us in new and inventive ways. Now is the time for us to expand our membership and increase the number of conferences that exist in parishes. Now is the time for us to fill our ranks with younger members and to include a wider range of cultural populations. Now is the time for us to contribute and strengthen the legacy of the Society so that we may pass on a more faith-filled and stronger Council to our future members and leaders.

## **The Lord Has Done Great Things!**

This is a challenge for all of us. I will need your ongoing support and participation. In this Newsletter is a list of positions that still need to be filled and service opportunities that are open to Vincentians. Please prayerfully consider them and open your heart to the possibility that God is calling you to step forward and volunteer for one or more of these positions or ministries.

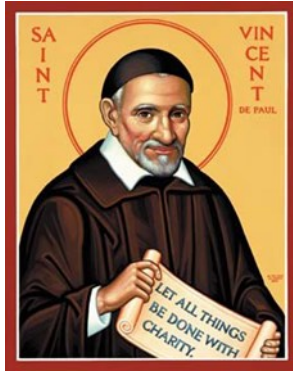
The great things that God has done for us and for our Diocesan Council are not intended to be the end of our journey but mere steppingstones to the future. The strength of our Council serves not only as a sign of God's active presence within the Society and in the world but to inspire other individuals and charities to join us in serving others.

Now is the time for us to be bold, to be creative and innovative, to love and serve more completely and to cooperate more fully with God and one another. Let us not let our time and opportunities slip by. Let us instead embrace them and be grateful for the opportunities we have been given. Let our hearts be filled with joy.



## **Positions and Opportunities for 2023-2026**

Facilities Committee Members  
Governance Committee Chair & Members  
Disaster Relief Committee Chair & Members  
Voice of the Poor Committee Chair & Members  
Thrift Stores Committee Members & Volunteers



## Commissioning of SVdP Conference Presidents

**Spiritual Advisor:** In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

**All:** Amen

**Spiritual Advisor:** Let us pray together the Mission Statement of the Society of St. Vincent de Paul:

**All:** Inspired by Gospel values, the Society of St. Vincent de Paul, a Catholic lay organization, leads women and men to join together to grow spiritually by offering person-to-person service to those who are needy and suffering in the tradition of its founder, Blessed Frederic Ozanam, and patron, St. Vincent de Paul.

As a reflection of the whole family of God, members, who are known as Vincentians, are drawn from every ethnic and cultural background, age group and economic level. Vincentians are united in an international society of charity by their spirit of poverty, humility and sharing, which is nourished by prayer and reflection, mutually supportive gatherings and adherence to a basic Rule.

Organized locally Vincentians, witness God's love by embracing all works of charity and justice. The Society collaborates with other people of good will in relieving need and addressing its causes, making no distinction in those served because, in them, VINCENTIANS SEE THE FACE OF CHRIST.

**District President:** The Society of St. Vincent de Paul is made up of Conferences as its primary basic unit. The Rule teaches us that: "The members meet as brothers and sisters with Christ in the midst of them, in conferences that are genuine communities of faith and love, of prayer and action. Spiritual bonds and friendship between members are essential, as is the common mission to help the poor and marginalized. The entire Society is a true and unique worldwide Community of Vincentian Friends." (Rule 3.3)

In the spirit of Jesus, the Servant leader, the office of president is a responsibility, not an honor. It is one of service and the president is the first among equals. The Rule calls the president to "provide an encouraging atmosphere in which the talents, capacities and spiritual charism of the members are identified, developed and put to the service of the poor and the Society of St. Vincent de Paul. The president of the conference will have special responsibility for promoting Vincentian spirituality." (Rule 3.11)

And so, we gather together to pray for and to commission our new conference presidents.

### **Reading: Gospel according to John (13:12-17)**

**Spiritual Advisor:** "After he had washed their feet, Jesus put his cloak back on and reclined at table once more. He said to them: "Do you understand what I just did for you? You address me as 'Teacher' and 'Lord,' and fittingly enough, for that is what I am. But if I washed your feet—I who am Teacher and Lord—then you must wash each other's feet. What I just did was to give you an example: as I have done, so you must do. I solemnly assure you, no slave is greater than his master; no messenger outranks the one who sent him. Once you know all these things, blest will you be if you put them into practice."

**District President:** First, let us thank our outgoing presidents for their generosity in fulfilling their duties and their faithful years of service as president of their conference.

Now, my dear brothers and sisters let us ask God our Father to look lovingly upon those Vincentians who have been called to serve as our new conference presidents.

*(The outgoing President then hands the leadership manual and guide booklet of St. Vincent de Paul to the new President—this year books will be mailed)*

**Retiring President(s):** Receive this leadership manual and guide as the sign of your leadership and responsibility. May the Holy Spirit grant you a receptive mind and a loving heart so that you will come to know deeply the spirit of St. Vincent de Paul and Blessed Frederic Ozanam.

**District President:** May the Rule and Manual of the Society of St. Vincent de Paul, continue to guard and guide your steps as you lead the Society. And so I now ask you:

Do you promise to carry out your duties with diligence and creativity, serving the conference and those in need for the greater glory of God?

**New President(s):** I do, and I pray for the strength and wisdom to faithfully serve the members and those they visit.

**District President:** Do you promise to seek consensus and not to insist on your own opinion, to see every member as a friend, to recognize their talents, to encourage each one and to develop harmony and respect between members and to always “deepen the Vincentian spirit of friendship”?

**New Presidents:** I do, and I pray that we will be of one mind and one heart, so that our conference may be a sign of the presence and love of Christ in our community.

**District President:** Do you promise to adhere loyally to the spirit of the Society of St. Vincent de Paul, as reflected in the Manual and Rule and to promote a deeper Vincentian spirituality amongst all the members?

**New President(s):** I do, and I pray for the grace to be generous with my time, my possessions and myself in this mission of charity.

**District President:** Each of you have accepted a serious responsibility as president of your conference

I ask all of us here present to share in that responsibility by our prayers and support. For this let us seek the intercession of the Blessed Virgin Mary, Patroness of our Society, as we say together:

**All:** Hail Mary...

**Spiritual Advisor:** *Prayer of Blessing and Commissioning*

Let us now raise our hands in blessing over these conference presidents as we pray together:

**All:** May God’s grace and blessing be with each of you as we commission you as the president of your conference. Let the wisdom of St. Vincent and Blessed Frederic, guard and guide you as you undertake your office.

Allow yourself to be led by the Lord. He will direct all things through you. Trust him and following His example, always act humbly, gently and in good faith, and you will see everything go well. Your responsibilities, which are many, will continue to grow but believe and trust that He will not leave a heavy burden on your back without sustaining you. He will be your strength as well as your reward for the extraordinary services you render to the Society and to the poor.

We promise our prayers and our support. Amen

(Please note: If a District president is not available to conduct the Commissioning of a Conference president, the Spiritual Advisor or the conference vice president can read in place of the District president.)

For complete SVdP Rituals & Ceremonies go to: <https://members.ssvpusa.org/formation/formation-resources/vincentian-prayers-and-ceremonies/>



## Our Transformative Home Visits

It is the calling of all Christians to grow in holiness; to become “perfect, just as your Father is perfect.”

But how? Aristotle observed that to become a builder, you build. By

extension, he reasoned, to become a virtuous person, you do virtuous acts. He spoke of the cardinal, or human, virtues. You become courageous, for example, by behaving courageously.

But how can we perform perfect acts?

Vincentians are certainly people of action. We cherish St. Vincent’s call to “love God with the strength of our arms and the sweat of our brow.”

Even Ozanam, the academic, the intellectual, declared that “religion serves less to think than to act,” and we are called to acts of charity; serving our neighbor, as our Rule says, “for love alone.”

It is in our acts of charity that we begin to “will in all things what God wills,” as St. Vincent taught. The more we seek to fulfill God’s will before our own, the closer we are drawn to perfect union with Him.

As Vincentians, our primary act of charity is the home visit. We receive His grace in our home visits in two different dimensions. First, the joyful grace of having fulfilled what our Savior asked us to do; like a child bursting with pride at having cleaned up his toys without being asked. Gaudete in Domino! Second, and more deeply, we receive His transformational grace; we become as the Apostle tells us, “a new creation.”

Love itself is an act of will – to put the needs of another before our own. Our home visits are indispensable to our vocation. Through them, we serve both the will and the person of Christ, and in doing so, we are transformed.

That is what Blessed Frédéric meant when he wrote that “visiting the poor should be the means and not the end of our association.”

### Contemplate

Am I regularly going on home visits, seeking and serving Christ in His poor?

### Recommended Reading

Serving in Hope, Module VII



# BRICKS to build the foundation

## Transporting Our Neighbors in Need

*No act 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. (Part I: 1.3)*

From its earliest days, the Society held that “no work of charity is foreign to the Society.” With this foundational belief at the forefront of our mission, it is only logical that many of our neighbors in need often require assistance with transportation. So, questions often arise concerning the feasibility and requirements for transporting those whom we serve.

While Conference and Council guidelines and decisions determine if neighbors in need can be transported by Vincentians from that group, there are some universal requirements that must be met. First and foremost, any direct contact with those whom we serve including transporting neighbors must be done by two Vincentians. Secondly, minors may not be transported unless they are accompanied by a parent or guardian. Next, the driver must be licensed, insured and the owner of the vehicle being used to transport our neighbors.

Vincentians must also remember that Federal law prohibits the transportation of individuals across state lines who do not have the proper documentation regarding citizenship. And finally, it is suggested that a Transportation Release of Liability waiver be signed by at least one of the adults being transported.

When deciding whether or not to allow members to transport neighbors, a Conference or Council should consider both safety and liability issues. The general rule for auto and liability insurance is that the coverage for the vehicle being driven is always in place. So, for a personal car, the Vincentian's own policy would be primary. The SVdP Phoenix Diocesan Council's auto coverage would only come into play if and when damages or awards exceeded the owner's coverage. The Diocesan Council's general liability coverage could be applicable depending on the circumstances of the case.

Conferences and Councils should first consider all the possible alternatives regarding transportation of neighbors including gas vouchers, bus tickets, taxi services, medical and elder services, and private transportation companies including UBER and LYF before deciding to provide direct transportation services to our neighbors. Some transportation companies will allow a Conference or Council to set up and pay for rides electronically.

Transportation can be a valuable and needed resource for many of the individuals and families we serve, so Conferences and Councils need to make decisions about how best to provide this service while keeping in mind personal and corporate liability, safety and cost. Even if Conference or Council guidelines allow for private transportation of neighbors by two Vincentians, each member has the right to make their own decision about providing such services. As St. Vincent de Paul said, “Love is inventive to infinity” and there are many viable transportation options available for us to use to meet the transportation needs of those whom we serve.



SOCIETY OF ST. VINCENT DE PAUL  
DIOCESAN COUNCIL OF PHOENIX  
TRANSPORTATION WAIVER

Please read this form carefully and be aware that in consideration for transportation that you will be expressly assuming the risk and legal liability and waiving and releasing all claims for injuries, damages or loss which you might sustain as a result of said services, including but not limited to, vehicle operations and boarding and exiting the vehicle.

I recognize and acknowledge that the Society of St. Vincent de Paul Diocesan Council and their affiliated Conferences are neither a common carrier nor in the business of providing transportation services to the public or to those whom we serve. I further recognize and acknowledge that there are certain risks of physical injury to passengers, and I voluntarily agree to assume the full risk of any injuries, damages or loss, regardless of severity, that I may sustain as a result of participating in any activities connected with or associated with receiving transportation, including, but not limited to, injuries, damages and loss. I further agree to waive and relinquish all claims and hold harmless all Vincentians, volunteers and employees (hereinafter collectively referred to as "Party").

I do hereby fully release and forever discharge the Party from any and all claims for injuries, damages or loss that I may have or which may accrue to me and arising out of, connected with, or in any way associated with said transportation services.

I further agree that this agreement shall be governed by the laws of the State of Arizona.  
I have read and fully understand the above waiver and release of all claims.

**PLEASE PRINT**

Date of Transportation\_\_\_\_\_

Destination\_\_\_\_\_

Conference Name

Reason for Transportation

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Participant's (Passenger's) Name

Date of Signature\_\_\_\_\_

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Participant's (Passenger's) signature

Date of Signature\_\_\_\_\_

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(All Signers Must be 18 Years of Age or Older)



## ***From the Desk of the Conference Resources Committee***

### **Commissioning of Presidents and Conference & Council Officers**

Remember that October is the time to commission new conference and council presidents and officers. A presidential commissioning service is contained in this newsletter and a link to the National websites' *Vincentian Celebration – Rituals & Ceremonies* document is at the bottom of the page. You may use this link to access commissioning services for other officers. Commissioning is an important ritual and makes visible the commitment made by the president and the officers to the conference/councils and the conference/councils commitment to them.

### **National Assembly in St. Louis – Time to Register is Running Out**

The SVdP National Assembly in St. Louis is just around the corner. Please complete the form included in this Newsletter if you plan on attending. Fax or scan and email that form as soon as possible. Funds to help pay for the registration, hotel and/or air fare are available to a few first-time attendees but you need to apply soon.

The Western Region is also offering scholarship funds to attend the Assembly for first-time attendees in leadership roles, however, our Council must submit their names to the Region by mid-July.

This is a great event and one that helps us to grow in our Vincentian vocation. It is also a perfect way for us to network and promote the Assembly that will be held here in 2024. Join the group from Phoenix that will be traveling to St. Louis. It is where it all began.

### **Remember to be in "Good Standing" a Conference must:**

- Hold in-person meetings at least twice a month. Hybrid meetings with a combination of in-person and remote attendance to accommodate the needs of homebound members may be conducted, however, members attending from out of the parish area must meet all full member requirements in order to vote.
- Have an active Spiritual Advisor and include Opening and Closing prayer and a Spiritual reflection at every meeting.
- Have a full slate of conference officers that meet the full enhanced member requirements.
- Follow the SVdP Meeting Agenda for all meetings.
- Have Secretary minutes and a Treasurer's Report at each meeting.
- Obtain verification that all members, volunteers & employees are Safe Environment compliant and approved.
- Provide person-to-person services to our neighbors in need and, as often as possible, through Home Visits
- Conduct home and pantry visits in pairs.
- Be represented at 80% of their District Council and 50% of the Diocesan General Membership Meetings.
- Complete and submit Quarterly and Annual Reports in a timely fashion.

## *St. Elizabeth Seton Conference*



We have an advocate for the poor among our members. Through the years, she has held almost all offices, including President. She is the current treasurer and continues to be a force in helping those in need. When the Pandemic hit, our volunteers who served meals at Santa Teresita dispersed. Our conference had a dedicated team serving for years, so we were caught off guard. For the present, we recruited members and covered by serving the poor through the front door. The force differed in recruits weekly, but we were able to feed those who came. Slowly, we were able to bring the needy back into the dining room where they could shelter for a time. As our conference got more

involved, we started to understand the conditions our needy were living under. With weather conditions changing, our advocate saw the need for more assistance. She started a coat drive in our parish as December was cold and rainy. She also put out a request on Next Door.com and found a great many who wanted to help. She brought in 19 SVdP boxes of coats with 2 boxes for Santa Teresita neighbors and 17 going downtown to help those living on the streets. She continued to get more coats on Next Door throughout the month.

June came along and she came up with a drive for jeans and T-shirts. Again, with help from members and parishioners, 20 boxes of goods were received, over 2,000 items. The goods were distributed to the needy who took part in the Santa Teresita Thursday food service, and some went to the downtown location. With the rains and cold of June invading the campsites, there was a desperate need for dry clothing of all kinds to replace their rain-soaked belongings. Our conference, and our parish gave generously.



There had also been a drive for dog items in which we delivered 2 SUV.s with dog beds, leashes, collars, food, kennels, and dog toys. This was to assist the homeless who have their animals with them.

A September drive is being planned for shoes and socks for our needy. Our advocate is bringing in a co-sharing helper to assist and keep these drives a part of our conference mission. We at our conference have Vincentians who continue to work extremely hard to make a difference in both our conference and our world. God bless our advocate and each and every one of our conference team who bring their special skills to do God's work in helping those in need.

*Karen Boeck*

## 30th Anniversary Celebration for Our Lady of the Desert Conference

Dolan Springs, an unincorporated town, was developed from raw land in 1959. Our Lady of the Desert Mission, an offshoot of St. Mary's in Kingman, started in 1972. Mass was celebrated in private homes until the Dolan Springs Community Council, then called the Lake Mohave Ranchos Community Council, building was erected Mass would then be held there.

In the fall of 1983, the Mission had enough money to start construction of the church building. When word got out the Catholics were building a church, men and women from all over the community showed up to help build. The first Mass was celebrated on 12/8/83 and the church was completely finished by the Summer of 1984.



Bishop O'Brien dedicated the mission on October 21, 1984. He was surprised there was a church to be dedicated and that the community was debt free. The Conference was aggregated on July 12, 1993. Over the years many volunteers have helped to carry out the mission of St. Vincent de Paul.

In honor of the 30<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the Conference, a special event was held on June 24, 2023,



*Left: Shannon Clancy During Opening Remarks*

*Top Right: Charlotte and Walt Kiffer*

*Bottom Right: Mary Ann Hunter and Charlotte Kiffer, Conference President .*

It was a full day of activities including, a tour of the Conference facility of the Pantry and Thrift Store, Mass and a celebratory Dinner and Silent Auction at the VFW, with the Dale Gillespie Blues Project providing the music. Dinner was catered by the Kingman Cracker Barrel restaurant, which was a first in Dolan Springs. Dignitaries included the Phoenix SVdP Phoenix Council CEO Shannon Clancy, CFO Pat Donaldson, SVdP Warehouse Supervisor Dave Lucchi and the Vincentian Support Services team, along with various donors, members of the community and volunteers. It was extremely successful in light of the corporate staff recognizing the uniqueness of the Dolan Springs location and lack of resources. They promised to double the food allotment received from SVdP and help in whatever way they could to assist our neighbors.



*Left: Rita Hughes, Spiritual Advisor, giving the dinner blessing  
Top Right: Valerie Panagopoulos, Treasurer, giving the closing prayer.  
Bottom Right: John Junker making a careful buy at our Thrift Store.*



Our Conference thanks everyone who attended, donated to the Silent Auction, purchased 50/50 tickets and in general supports our efforts on an ongoing basis.

***Congratulations on 30 years of service***

## SVdP Thrift Stores



### THE BRINGING HOPE HOME PROGRAM MAKES A HUGE DIFFERENCE IN THE LIVES OF OTHERS!

Veronica Rios struggled for 18-months with both homelessness and health issues. She was in need of two knee replacements because of severe


arthritis, while also trying to raise and control her four-year-old autistic son; “my little one is ADHD with autism. It was hard for us to find someplace to stay and settle because other people don’t approve of how he acts,” she said.

But thanks to a new medication, her son’s demeanor has improved and is under control. And so is her mental outlook. She now has a place to call her own, thanks to St. Vincent de Paul. “Within two weeks of reaching out to St. Vincent de Paul, I got a place to live. St. Vincent de Paul also helped me with my move-in and now I get to shop for furniture,” she added.


Needless to say, Veronica and her daughter, Augustina, were excited to shop for furniture at a Phoenix St. Vincent de Paul Thrift Store for their apartment. “We have nothing in the apartment right now,” Veronica offered. “Nothing at all, just our own clothes” she added. “It is exciting,” Augustina chimed in. “We get to choose everything and have an actual home. It will feel like a real home and we can continue to grow and build and move forward,” she continued.

A day after shopping, a St. Vincent de Paul crew delivered and set up her furniture in her apartment. A tearful Veronica was overwhelmed with emotion: “I’m happy. I’m grateful. Grateful to lay our heads on a bed. Be able to sit down on a couch and watch tv and sit as a family and talk,” she said as her voice cracked fighting through the tears. “I’m just happy my kids will be okay. We’re going to be okay and I’ll have an opportunity to get back on my feet.”

**We are grateful to be able to share stories like Veronica’s one of our Bringing Hope Home (BHH) program recipients.**



**NATIONAL  
ASSEMBLY**  
HOSTED IN ST. LOUIS  
SEPT. 5 - 9, 2023



## SVdP National Assembly 2023 Phoenix Council Member Interest Form

Vincentians, Vincentians volunteers, staff, and employees interested in attending the 2023 Assembly in St. Louis are asked to complete and return this form to VSS to the attention of Sandy Edward no later than July 31<sup>st</sup>.

*Please note that Conferences and District Councils are encouraged to help offset the cost of members attending this event.*

*Apply early to increase your chances for assistance*

### Please Print

Attendees Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Last Name	First name	Middle Initial
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Conference: \_\_\_\_\_ District Council: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Street Address	City	State	Zip Code
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### Please check all boxes that apply:

- ☐ I will attend the 2023 National SVdP Assembly and am willing to work at the 2024 Phoenix National Assembly promotional table during that event.
- ☐ I will attend the 2023 National SVdP Assembly and am willing to volunteer/work during the National Assembly at the Sheraton Downtown in Phoenix, August 14-17, 2024.
- ☐ I will attend the 2023 National SVdP Assembly and will be able to help with preparations leading up to the 2024 National SVdP to be held in Phoenix but will not be unable able to attend the event on August. 14-17.
- ☐ My Conference and/or my District Council is helping to cover my expenses for the 2023 National SVdP Assembly.
- ☐ I want to attend the 2023 National SVdP Assembly but need to discuss possible ways to help offset the costs.

If you have questions or need more information, please contact Shirley Smalley at [msmal14727@aol.com](mailto:msmal14727@aol.com) or Mary Ann Hunter at [maryannhunter44@gmail.com](mailto:maryannhunter44@gmail.com). We hope to have a large group attending the Assembly in St. Louis. The 2023 National gathering will provide attendees with opportunities for increased formation, spirituality, fellowship and a chance to experience an Assembly before we actually host one next year. Please consider joining us in St. Louis!



# WE NEED YOUR HELP!

In preparation for hosting the 2024 Society of St. Vincent de Paul National Assembly in August of 2024, we need photos of our various activities, programs & ministries from 1950 through 2000.

We want to share with our brother and sister Vincentians a little bit about our history & how our programs started, developed, and came to be what they are today.

If you have any vintage photos, please bring them to the General Membership Meeting (GMM) on Saturday, June 17th or email them to Shirley Smalley at [msmal14727@aol.com](mailto:msmal14727@aol.com) or Mary Ann Hunter at [maryannhunter44@gmail.com](mailto:maryannhunter44@gmail.com).

## Photos

Top: Left - Dining room volunteers Right - Original Dining Room sign  
Bottom: Left - people coming in for a meal Center - neighbors eating in the original dining room Right - Original Ozanam Manor



## **OFE CLASSES – 2023**

**ALL CLASSES RUN 9AM – 3PM**

**July 15 OFE 1 & 2; July 22 OFE 3 & 4**  
***Corpus Christi – 3550 E Know Rd., Phoenix***

**Aug. 12 OFE 1 & 2; Aug. 19 OFE 3 & 4**  
***Holy Cross – 1244 S Power Rd., Mesa***

**Oct. 5 OFE 1 & 2; Oct. 6 OFE 3 & 4**  
***St. Mary/St. Juan Diego at St Mary's –  
230 W. Galveston St., Chandler***

**Oct. 14 OFE 1 & 2; Oct. 21 OFE 3 & 4**  
***Church of the Resurrection -3201 S Evergreen Rd., Tempe***

**Jan. 20, 2024 OFE 1 & 2; Jan. 27 OFE 3 & 4**  
***St. Gabriel – 32648 N Cave Creek Rd., Cave Creek***

**Feb. 10, 2024 OFE 1 & 2; Feb. 24, 2024 OFE 3 & 4**  
***Vincentian Support Services – 420 W Watkins Rd., Phoenix***

**To register contact: Mary Ann Hunter**  
**928-699-9232 (Text or Call)**  
**[maryannhunter44@gmail.com](mailto:maryannhunter44@gmail.com)**

**What is needed to register?**

***Your name; email, phone number, address, and your conference name***

## ***Blessed Frederic Ozanam Intercession Prayer Line***

O God, our Father, You alone have the power to bestow those precious gifts of Yours which we rightly call miracles. If it be Your will, be pleased to grant such a gift on behalf of...

***ALL SAINTS MESA***

Judy Allard  
Barbara Velleman

***BLESSED SACRAMENT***

Lee Matthews

***HOLY CROSS***

Mary Powell  
Andy Torres  
Dee Shack  
Mary Jo Kent  
Sharon Culley

***IMMACULATE  
CONCEPTION***

Michael McCann  
Frank Simmons  
Rosie Bell  
Linda Lee Chambon-Gay  
Sue Dori  
Scott Marthaler  
James Reed  
Tom and Barbara Reed  
Peg Shandera  
Lu Stitt

***MOST HOLY TRINITY***

Jackie Jennings

***OUR LADY OF  
GUADALUPE***

Lynn Schmidt  
Joe DiGiovanni

***OUR LADY OF THE DESERT***

Rita Hughes  
Tony Mueller  
Valerie Panagopoulos  
Peggy Merrill  
Duke Merrill  
Mary Austin  
Art Austin

***QUEEN OF PEACE***

Susan Petrie  
Mary Kay Dunlevy  
Martina Bonilla

***SACRED HEART PARKER***

Edith Smith  
Dora Norris Family  
Fr. John Ikponko  
Vernon Norris Family  
Peggy Knapp  
Ana Lopez  
Tomasia Torres  
Terry Watts  
Marmelejo Family

***ST. BRIDGET***

Cheryl Crame  
Joe Fellhauer  
Terri Lyn Gardner

***ST. DANIEL THE  
PROPHET***

Phil Murphy  
Don Fraiser

***ST. GABRIEL***

Jack McAward  
Dolores Galligan  
Robert Fitzer  
Louise Fullam

***ST. GREGORY***

Edd Harrington  
Beverly Heart

***ST. HELEN***

Charlie & Jean Olds

***ST. JAMES***

Diane Stofko  
Abel Noble

***ST. JOHN VIANNEY  
SEDONA***

Pam Klauser  
Kathleen DeWeever  
Ray West

***SACRED HEART—  
PRESCOTT***

Richard Howell  
Herb Bourgault

***ST. MARGARET MARY***

Ray Baca  
Mary Esquibel

***ST. MARY'S BASILICA***

Robert Nue

***ST. TIMOTHY***

Margaret Hewett  
Karl Rusnock  
Thea Podrybau

***ST. LOUIS THE KING***

Ed & Esther Escarcega  
Mario & Mary Fierros

***ST. CLARE OF ASSISI***

Joyce Murphy

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***May the Angels lead them into Paradise,  
may the martyrs receive them at their coming  
and lead them into Jerusalem, the Holy City.  
May the Choir of Angels welcome them  
and, with Lazarus, who was also poor,  
may they have everlasting rest.***



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