



# St. Vincent de Paul Society

# NEWSLETTER



Published by and for Vincentians [http://www.stvincentdepaul.net/Vincentian-Support-March 2025](http://www.stvincentdepaul.net/Vincentian-Support-March-2025)  
 Diocesan Council of Phoenix, AZ Vol. 27 No. 3

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



## RESPONDING TO THE CRIES OF THE POOR!

*You must not be content with tiding the poor over the poverty crisis; You must study their condition and the injustices which brought about such poverty, with the aim of a long-term improvement.*

Frederic Ozanam

From the very founding of our Society, Vincentians including Frederic understood the need for our members to perform both works of charity and justice but to do so in

ways that avoided bringing the arguments and divisions that naturally arise from becoming involved in the business of politics.

Ozanam did not see advocacy as contrary or foreign to the works of the Society but rather as a complimentary extension of our vocation to relieve suffering. He supported the concept of Vincentians providing an *informing* style of advocacy that encourages citizens and leaders alike to work towards finding better solutions to issues related to the poor and vulnerable. He understood that private assistance through charitable groups would never be enough to truly help the poor and, that only governments could establish the effective institutions and the policies necessary to prevent and remediate the conditions that lead to poverty and injustice.

The Society is called to speak for those who have no voice or social standing, in other words, to speak for the least among us. As Vincentians, we work to be vocal advocates, not social activist. Our advocacy focuses on influencing decision makers by sharing our stories, our experiences, and our expertise in serving the needy. We are called to bring to the table current trends and research, persuasive arguments, and to educate our communities and political leaders about the needs of the poor and ways to improve their plight through government programs and policies.

Unlike activism that is often confrontational, the type of advocacy used by Vincentians is strategic and collaborative, aiming to create lasting changes and solutions. The Society often speaks for the poor merely by our presence in a legislation committee meeting, and/or in House and Senate chambers when issues and policies related to the poor are being discussed. We share information we gain about pending legislation with our members and encourage them to contact their legislators, voicing their thoughts on the issues before them. We asked them to also share that information they have with their family, friends and other groups in which they are active.

Over the past several years, we have been extremely successful especially in the areas of high interest loans and early childhood education. Our SVdP Council was one of the driving forces that lead to the passage of legislation that outlawed Payday Loan companies. We were also grassroots promoters and supporters of the First Things First preschool programs in Arizona. Our advocacy efforts have made a positive difference in the lives of those whom we serve.

Each year, the Council Board approves three to four issues that will be the focus of our advocacy efforts. For this year, our focus is on preventing predatory loans, promoting affordable housing, ensuring adequate healthcare, and ensuring that everyone has access to adequate and nutritional food. Each Conference is encouraged to support our advocacy work in these areas.

The Voice for the Poor Committee (VFP) under the leadership of Patrick Lucus, the Committee chair, is active in keeping us abreast of state and federal legislative activities and upcoming proposed governmental actions. The work of this committee is a vital part of our mission and one that must never be overlooked.

The strength of our voice in the political arena lies in our commitment to serving the poor and our unity. We speak with one voice at each level of the Society. Our voice has power not only because of our solidarity but because we focus on key issues that affect the poor and stand silent on non-related issues so that our voice is not over-used to the point that it has no value.

Although advocacy is an important part of the Society, politics is not. Ozanam himself said that the Society could debate any topic or issue except those related to the *tumultuous realm of politics which is foreign to our discussions*. St. Vincent de Paul and the first copy of the Rule set forth the principle that political discussions should be banned from the Vincentian family. Vincent said that we “should abstain from being inflamed by political leanings which array parties in opposition” to one another.

The Society does hold that each member is called to be an active and faithful citizen. Which means that as individuals we are called to be active in the political arena as informed voters who on a regular basis cast a ballot in elections. Many of us support a party and/or candidates, and even participate in political discussions, debates, or activities. The Society views such things are a natural process of government and, while our members are to be as involved as they feel called to be, they may never bring those activities and discussions into their Conference or Council meetings, functions, or even through our Vincentian lines of communications including emails and text messaging.

Like our founders and patrons, we live in a tumultuous time where the political polarization of our country often turns neighbor against neighbor, family members against one another, and causes communities to be immobilized as the two extreme sides on so many important issues prevent compromise, collaboration, and genuine efforts to come up with effective solutions.

As Vincentian, we work through existing systems, government and outside institutions. Our actions are strategic, focused, collaborative, and aimed at creating systemic not short-term changes. We educate ourselves and others about current issues. We work towards finding better and more effective and innovative ways to do things make suggestions to governments and institutions on how to improve social policies and ways to improve service delivery. We are the voice for the poor and only for the poor.

Now is our time. As a voice and advocate of the disadvantaged, we have an important role to play in the development of social policy. We must speak up and be an active voice for the poor but, at the same time, we must work hard to continue the Vincentian legacy of banning politics from our meetings and activities.



## SVdP Day at the Arizona State Legislature

On Tuesday, February 18th, our Diocesan Council was given space to set up a table and invite legislators over to meet, greet, and learn more about the Society of St. Vincent de Paul. Our VOP Committee chair, Pat Lucas was joined by his committee members, Council Board members, and staff. Those in attendance were Council President, Shirley Smalley, Council 1st Vice President, Mary Ann Hunter, CEO, Shannon Clancy, Mary Helen Sotelo, Scott Watson, and John Wernet.

Although we had more Vincentians present than legislators, our presence served as a reminder of our interest and commitment to be a Voice for the Poor as related to the policies and programs of our state.

If your Conference does not have a VOP representative, please consider appointing one. Anyone interested in supporting our advocacy effort should contact Pat Lucas at [patlucas@aol.com](mailto:patlucas@aol.com).



## Contemplation: Erasing the Old Divisions

Describing the Conference of History, the group in which the Society's founders first bonded, Frédéric Ozanam explained that all subjects were debated, except that "the tumultuous realm of politics is foreign to our discussions." [54, to Falconnet, 1833] The Society, in our first Rule, adopted this as a founding

principle, saying that we should "banish political discussions forever from our meetings" just as St. Vincent had, and "should abstain from being inflamed by political leanings which array parties in opposition," concluding that "Our Society is all charity: politics are wholly foreign to it." [Rule, 1835]

Frédéric, who once ran for political office, always recognized religion had greater power than politics; how much more could be accomplished through devotion to God than to the questions that divide us. Indeed, his vision for the Society was of "a community of faith and works erasing little by little the old divisions of political parties" comprised of members with "the unanimous resolve to make it a moral country and to become better themselves in order to make others happier." [290, to Amelie, 1841]

Frédéric never shied away from debate, but as he put it himself, "I am less qualified than almost any other, to deal with those questions which are agitating men's minds! I mean questions of labour, wages, commerce, administration..." [Bunard, 259] His personal advocacy focused instead on what our present-day Rule calls our "distinctive approach" to see issues "from the perspective of those we visit." [Rule, Part I, 7.4] As friends of the poor, our advocacy concerns itself with enlightening our fellow citizens on the conditions of our friends, encouraging them to help individually, and as communities.

Our human nature leads us to see our own times as uniquely polarized, but the passions of politics have led to angry disputes and even civil wars in all ages. Frédéric saw that "the faith suffers from that alliance with the political interests and passions." [211, to Lacordaire, 1839] He believed that "abandoning political doctrines to their own consequences and people to their passions, God wants to teach us to take our trust back from people and their doctrines..." [200, to Bailly, 1839] Catholic Social Doctrine lays out the goals, not the means. It acknowledges natural political disagreements that exist among people of good will but calls us to seek common ground in order to do the good that can be done. The Society seeks not to win the argument, but to represent the common ground – the civilization of love.

We are concerned with worldly matters, of course, or we wouldn't feed the hungry, or shelter the homeless, but just as the hope in which we serve is much greater and more powerful than merely the hope of paying bills, let us also resolve with Blessed Frédéric that "Amid the philosophical and political schools that sow division in the mind and turmoil in the heart, may the Society we belong to become a great school unconcerned with the irritating issues of this world, where those who once fought come together to know and love one another, where we learn but one thing, something understandable, acceptable, and amenable to all, something admirably simple and yet infinite, eternal as the God it comes from. And by this we do mean charity!" [1378, Gen'l Assembly, 1839]

### Contemplate

Do I always seek common ground with fellow Vincentians in our friendship, service, and spirituality?



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

During the past few months two questions have been asked frequently. As a committee we will address the questions to ensure everyone has the same understanding of the rules and processes to be followed.

**Question: Can I use Homelessness Prevention funds to serve Neighbors that reside outside of our conference boundaries?**

**Answer:** No, Your Conference HP fund allocation cannot be used to provide support outside of your conference boundaries. If an assistance request is received from Neighbor residing in an unserved area outside the conference boundaries, the conference may provide support if the conference votes to approve the request. After conference approval you may provide support, however, you cannot use HP funds to provide that support. Assistance payments for persons residing outside the conference boundaries must be from your Conference funds, use of the HP Fund allocation is not allowed. When working with Neighbors outside your conference boundaries, there are certain questions to consider; do you know if the requestor has been helped by another SVdP conference recently, and do you have a relationship with nearby conferences that you can verify any support? When we serve Neighbors within our conference boundaries, we do so with an understanding of assistance previously provided, it should be the same process for those outside the boundaries. If you are unable to provide financial assistance, you can always provide prayers, food, and resources. There is a robust Community Resource Guide for Conferences that is available to all Vincentians, if interested please see your Conference President.

**Question: If a Vincentian is in need, can they receive assistance from their conference?**

**Answer:** Yes, a Vincentian can receive assistance, however, it is important that the process to request assistance, and ultimately the final decision, is followed and fully documented. If a Vincentian needs assistance they should discuss the situation with their Conference President. Following the initial discussion, the request/home visit process would occur as with any Neighbor. Any financial support requires a conference vote for approval. When voting is it important to maintain the confidentiality of the person. The requesting Vincentian should not be present when the discussion and voting process occurs. The motion and the final decision must be documented in the meeting minutes.

As always, if you have any questions or need further clarification you can reach out to Mary Ann Hunter [maryannhunter44@gmail.com](mailto:maryannhunter44@gmail.com) or Ally Geinosky [ageinosky@svdpaz.org](mailto:ageinosky@svdpaz.org)



# BRICKS to build the foundation

## LENTEN OPPORTUNITIES

***Lord, give us the grace to fast during Lent, so that we can truly celebrate Easter. Amen.  
\*This prayer is taken from the Spiritual Advisors Handbook.***

Lent is one of the two penitential seasons that are included in the Catholic liturgical year. These two seasons, Advent and Lent, are placed within our Church calendar to help us prepare our hearts and our lives for two of the greatest Christian celebrations, the Nativity and the Resurrection of our Lord. During these penitential seasons, the Church calls us to spiritual growth through prayer, personal sacrifice and repentance. There are many opportunities available for us to prepare ourselves as Conferences as we journey through Lent to the celebration of Easter. Some examples are listed below:

### Attend Lenten Liturgies Or Services Together:

Attendance at daily mass, Stations of the Cross or any other special Lenten liturgy or services are an excellent way to promote spiritual growth among Conference members. To gather in addition to our normal meetings for such services, provides our members with additional opportunities for spiritual growth and fellowship. Celebrating and praying together not only helps us to grow in holiness, but it also makes the bonds between us grow stronger.

### Schedule a Group Holy Hour Each Week:

Schedule a specific Holy Hour for each week of Lent for your Conference members to go to the Adoration Chapel at your parish Adoration Chapel or at one in your area. Spending time in silent prayer and meditation before the Lord will provide your Conference and its members with a unique opportunity to sit in silent prayer with the Lord while in the company of their brother and sister Vincentians.

### Attend a Retreat or Day of Recollection:

Spiritual growth is the goal of the Lenten season. An excellent way to grow in holiness is by participating in a Retreat or Day of Reflection /Prayer. Your Conference and/or District could select a scheduled event and attend it as a group. Your Conference or District president and spiritual advisor could work with your priest, deacon a spiritual advisor or a Catholic retreat master to develop and host a Lenten Retreat focused on the mission and values of the Society. Other Conferences could even join you.

### Soup Supper:

A Conference could offer or sponsor a prayer or para-liturgical service such as Stations of the Cross followed by a Soup Supper. The Soup Supper could include soup donated by individuals who would bring their favorite soup to share with others along with their recipe. You could also encourage individuals and families to bring their own soup bowls and spoons and possibly some bread to share with others. Participants could even be asked to donate what their normal meal would have cost to the Conference with those donated funds being used to buy food for the poor.

## LENTEN OPPORTUNITIES

### Continued

#### SVdP Coffee Can Campaign:

During the Season of Lent, we often recall the Parable of the Widow's Mite (Mark 12.41-44). The widow put two small copper coins into the collection (which represented a real sacrifice for her) while Scribes and Pharisees were making a big show of giving large amounts which came from their excess funds. The Lord judged the Widow's offering to be a better one.

By sponsoring a "Coffee Can Campaign", your Conference could help families remember the need to help people less fortunate by personal sacrifice. Parents could be encouraged to lead by example and suggest a daily offering from each member of the family explaining that this offering will enable the St. Vincent de Paul Society to help feed the hungry and clothe the naked. Young adults often have a real awareness of poverty from what they see among their friends and classmates. Ask them to do their part to help those in need.

#### Example of Bulletin Campaign:

**WHAT: JOIN US IN THE SVdP COFFEE CAN CAMPAIGN. MAKE THIS A LENTEN FAMILY EFFORT.** Simply take an empty coffee can and cut a slit in the lid. If you have younger children, they can even wrap the can with special drawings of Jesus or the widow with her offering. Place the can in a prominent place in your home. Each family member can deposit money into the can over the course of the Lenten and Easter seasons. Be creative. Deposit your change, allowance or any special offering you might have to help feed the hungry and to be more like the generous widow.

**WHEN:** The Coffee Can Campaign runs from the beginning of Lent to Pentecost Sunday (the last day of the Lenten/ Easter Season).

Donations can be collected by your Conference perhaps at all masses on Pentecost Sunday or another weekend during the Easter season.

A similar activity is the Rice Bowl program sponsored by CRS (Catholic Relief Services). Before considering offering your own program, consult with your pastor to make sure the Parish is not also doing the Rice Bowl program Please note, Conferences can apply to receive funding from CRS for the purchase of food items.

# QUESTIONS & ANSWERS

**Q: If a Conference does not have space for a specific Food pantry can they store and deliver food from refrigerators, freezers, and the storage space of the members homes and garages?**

**A:** Absolutely not. All food received, stored, and processed must be in approved spaces. Those spaces include grocery stores, restaurants, commercial kitchens, and approved pantries on Food safety is of the highest importance to the Society. Making sure that all food is stored properly is vital to our commit to safety.

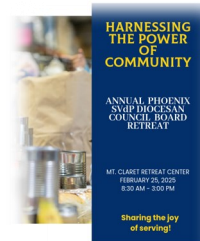
We cannot ensure that food stored in the homes of members is at proper temperatures or secure according to food code requirements. For example, even dried goods and cans may not be stored on floors or with toxic chemicals or in garages. The transporting of food multiple times is also an issue.

If a Conference does not have access to an approved pantry, they should transition to a gift card only program. Please note Food Allotments from the Council may only be delivered to office Conference pantries.



## Vincentian Engagement & Support Services Team

A special thanks to Cande de Leon and Ryan Corry for providing the Council Board members and Conference Presidents with a wonderful Annual Board Retreat day. The dynamic presentations given by Cande were augmented with presentations by Ryan Corry, Ally Geinosky, and Shirley Smalley. Susan Junker, Danielle McMahan, and Shane Moon answered Cande's questions related to relationship building within the community at large and the Society. They provided powerful examples of engagement.



We should assist the poor in every way and do it both by ourselves and by enlisting the help of others....  
© Vincent de Paul

The retreat began with a spiritual reflection centered around the spirituality of collaboration and fundraising and its rich history within the Society. A tradition that St. Vincent de Paul and St. Louise De Marillac as well as our founders were committed to.

The presentations and discussion were complimented by a free copy of Henri Nouwen's book, [A Spirituality of Fundraising](#). In this book Nouwen shares, "It's (fundraising) a way of announcing our vision and inviting other people into our mission." Nouwen encourages everyone to see fundraising as a spiritual work and to be willing to approach it confidently.



Other handouts from the retreat will be included in the President's packet for the GMM on March 15th.

## News from Our Lady of Perpetual Help, Scottsdale

We are St Vincent de Paul here at OLPH, you see us in church, but we want to share what we do with your help to support those in need in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ.

We all have stories as we go out six days a week to help anyone who calls our pantry, we want to take a few minutes to share a couple of these stories with you.



‘We received a call a couple of weeks ago from a mother who had been ill for a couple of months and was unable to make her rent payment, she owed two months rent. She was given an eviction notice and a court date. When she called to ask for help it was already too late, but that did not discourage us. We knocked on her door and when she opened the door standing in front of her was the most adorable little boy – 1 year old – with a big smile. We provided food and listened to understand the need. We negotiated with the landlord for a few days grace to allow us to source the funds as it was more than we were able to pay. After several phone calls we received approval for the funds needed and we paid her rent – keeping a roof over their heads as she resumed work and taking care of her children.’

Two days before Christmas Eve we were in the pantry wrapping Christmas gifts to be delivered to adopted families. A phone call came in from a mother who did not have any gifts for her children for Christmas and wanted to know if she could participate in the adopt a family program. We did not have the heart to tell her we had closed our program two weeks earlier, and as we looked around the pantry – it was clear that we would find a way to help this family. There were eight persons in the family – we collected the data and told them we would deliver before Christmas. We found a sponsor for the family and three of us went shopping. We wrapped presents that night and delivered gifts to the family for all eight people and a food card for their Christmas dinner. When we saw the joy in the mother’s tears, we knew that God had sent her to us knowing we would not turn her away. ‘

We can do what we do every day because of your support and the faith that we have that God will ALWAYS provide.

We have many stories – we invite you to get to know us and let us tell you our stories – we are passionate about serving God through the St Vincent de Paul Society and we want to tell you more – **we need your help to continue to do HIS work.** Our funds are at any all time low and we are seeking your generosity – please give today.

*Linda Townsend*



# St. Elizabeth Seton Conference

## Parish Thank You Event

How does a conference thank their parishioners for their continued support in helping those in need? Our party planners found a great answer; an Italian meal, where our SVdP “Chefs” worked together contributing their skills in planning, decorating, baking and serving those who support our charity. Yes, there was a lot of work put into this evening, but the event we shared brought such caring, friendship and happiness to all who attended.



The Thank you party was held on February 15<sup>th</sup>, 2025, beginning after our 4pm mass. A beautiful poster was made by our artist member and put out for all to see. RSVPs were required and 217 parishioners answered the call. The programs were ready to be distributed, the room was beautifully organized and decorated; all was ready!!

Our parish supporters and members came flooding in after mass. Appetizers were ready to be served by our members in their uniforms with their red berets, and black scarves, a touch of the Italian theme. When seated, our SVDP church choir members led us all in a chorus of “That’s Amore” and “My Girl”! The room echoed with merriment, a great start to a wonderful evening! Father Tom joined us and thanked those who attended; he shared some of his experiences working with SVdP in Washington State. Father gave the blessings, and our Italian meal was ready to be served!

Along with the great appetizers and dinner, we had baked goods available, a 50/50 raffle, a silent and live auction with a couple of highlighted dinners to be auctioned, one donated by our own Father Willams Abba and a dinner of steak and lobster, for 10, donated by our members Liz and Bill Quade, and Cindy Bossinger.



There was great camaraderie between the parish and the members; there were a lot of great compliments on everything! One could see – It takes a village to support our mission; we could not survive without our contributors. Thanks to the Lord for our generous parishioners and to all our SVdP members for a wonderful evening of caring and sharing...

*Karen Boeck*

## *We have moved*

*If you are looking for the VESS & IT Teams*

*You may find us at the following locations:*

*Norma, Michelle and Sandy are located on the first floor of DePaul Manor. Irma is located on the second floor.*

*The address is: 310 W. Watkins Road, Phoenix AZ 85003*


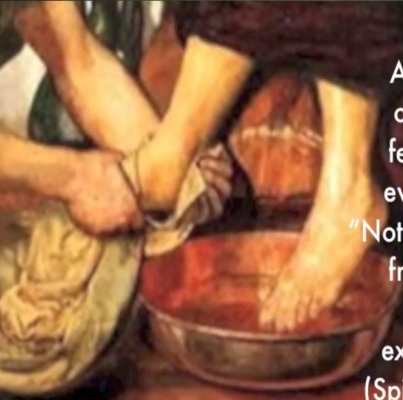
*Cande de Leon and John Junker are located in the warehouse, upper level.*

*You may find IT located in the Resource Center.*

*Please note that this is a temporary move. We should be back in our "new" building before the end of the year. Our building is getting a much needed facelift.*

## **IT ASSISTANCE:**

***For assistance with you laptop or computer, please contact:  
Derek Blayney-Moore at: 602.261.6804–  
Email: [dblayney-Moore@svdpaz.org](mailto:dblayney-Moore@svdpaz.org)***

 <p><b>ST. LOUISE DE MARILLAC</b> March 15th</p>	 <p>And, while meditating on the washing of the feet on Holy Thursday evening, she exclaims, "Nothing should keep me from humbling myself. For this, I have the example of Our Lord." (Spiritual Writings, 715)</p>
---	---

**OFE CLASSES – 2025**  
**ALL CLASSES RUN 9AM – 3PM**

Apr. 12, 2025 OFE 1 & 2; Apr. 26 OFE 3 & 4  
St. Steven – 24827 S. Dobson Rd., Chandler

**May 17, 2025 OFE 1 & 2; May 24, 2025 OFE 3 & 4**  
**Christ the King- 1551 E. Dana Ave., Mesa, AZ**

June 12, 2025 OFE 1 & 2; June 13, 2025 OFE 3 & 4  
St. John Vianney – 180 Soldier Pass Rd., Sedona

**Aug. 9, 2025 OFE 1 & 2; Aug. 10, 2025 OFE 3 & 4**  
**Sacred Heart- 150 Fleury St., Prescott**

**To register contact: Mary Ann Hunter**  
**928-699-9232 (Text or Call)**  
**Email: [maryannhunter44@gmail.com](mailto:maryannhunter44@gmail.com)**  
**Give your name; email, phone number, address,**  
**and your conference name.**



# March (GMM) General Membership Meeting & Morning of Reflection

Saturday, March 15, 2025

Dan O'Meara Center

Mass at 8:30 AM



## VINCENT & LOUISE: CREATING A WEB DIRECTED TO SERVICE

Presented by Dr. Patricia Bombard, BVM  
Director of the Hay Project  
De Paul University

*Vincent and Louise were extraordinary collaborators. They extended their passionate desire to assist those in need into a web of service that included persons from all walks of life and grew into a global movement.*



# PLEASE JOIN US!

RSVP to [sedwards@svdpaz.org](mailto:sedwards@svdpaz.org)

## ***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...

<b>ALL SAINTS MESA</b> Judy Allard Barbara Velleman	<b>SACRED HEART PARKER</b> Edith Smith Dora Norris Family Fr. John Ikponko Vernon Norris Family Peggy Knapp Ana Lopez Tomasita Torres Terry Watts Marmejejo Family	<b>ST. JOSEPH MAYER</b> Dennis Baile, Sr.	<b>ST. JOACHIM &amp; ST. ANNE</b> Lucia Mastroianni Corlaine Mortenson Philomena Kamara
<b>BLESSED SACRAMENT</b> Teresa Quadros Lee Matthews Eddie and Terry Wilson Pat Galea	<b>ST. ANTHONY</b> Ann Casaus Kathy McDonald Cecilia Laubenthal Marnee Ballay Cheri Massie Ken & Lorraine Hesketh	<b>ST. MARGARET MARY</b> Ray Baca Mary Esquibel	<b>ST. JOAN OF ARC</b> Paul Parent
<b>HOLY CROSS</b> Mary Powell Andy Torres Dee Shack	<b>ST. BERNADETTE</b> Mike Smalley Ron Betz	<b>ST. MARY'S BASILICA</b> Robert Nue The Boozer Family	<b>ST. THERESA</b> George Dorley Twila Stern Tim Coughlin Colin Campbell
<b>IMMACULATE CONCEPTION</b> Michael McCann Frank Simmons Rosie Bell Linda Lee Chambon-Gay Sue Dori Scott Marthaler James Reed Tom and Barbara Reed Peg Shandera Lu Stitt	<b>ST. BRIDGET</b> Cheryl Crame Joe Fellhauer Terri Lyn Gardner	<b>ST. TIMOTHY</b> Margaret Hewett Karl Rusnock Thea Podrybau	<b>SAN FRANCISCO DE ASIS</b> Joe Goitia
<b>MOST HOLY TRINITY</b> Jackie Jennings	<b>ST. DANIEL THE PROPHET</b> Phil Murphy	<b>ST. LOUIS THE KING</b> Esther Escarcega Mary Fierros	<b>SVdP EXECUTIVE OFFICE</b> Laura Grafman Kay Sack Jeanne Hertz Rod Ticknor Isabel & Larry Smith Hank Hart Truman Mary Kay Post Emily Trust Reve Holleran Jerry Bailly Bruce Talone Paula Garlick Dennis Gougion Megan Ford Reve Holleran Kevin Conry Dale Lehe Mark Hamblin Margaret Pawlak Rob Sobczak Jon Ehlinger Paul Zabalski Steve & Lucy Howell Greg Ryan Barby Groft Barby Burr Phillip Cookman Craig Davidson Ken Wagon Lisa Longmire Jeff McLean
<b>OUR LADY OF GUADALUPE</b> Sue Miller John Cronin JoAnne Kontak Hazel Clark Lynn Schmidt Joe DiGiovanni	<b>ST. GABRIEL</b> Clare Marion Jack McAward Dolores Galligan Robert Fitzer Louise Fullam	<b>ST. CLARE OF ASSISI</b> Joyce Murphy	
<b>OUR LADY OF THE DESERT</b> Elaine Gavitt Rita Hughes Tony Mueller Valerie Panagopoulos Peggy Merrill Duke Merrill Mary Austin Art Austin	<b>ST. GREGORY</b> Edd Harrington Beverly Heart	<b>ST. GERMAINE</b> Don Rien	
<b>PRINCE OF PEACE</b> Greg Roark Audrey Thorp	<b>ST. HELEN</b> Charlie & Jean Olds	<b>ST. MARGARET MARY-BHC</b> Rev. Peter Dobrowski	
<b>QUEEN OF PEACE</b> Susan Petrie Mary Kay Dunlevy Martina Bonilla	<b>ST. JAMES</b> Diane Stofko Abel Noble	<b>ST. MARY—KINGMAN</b> Michael Aguiar Patty Couch Roger and Rita Gaumont Diane Schatz	
	<b>ST. JOHN VIANNEY SEDONA</b> Jackie Moorman Pam Klauser Kathleen DeWeever Ray West	<b>ST. MARY-ST. JUAN DIEGO</b> Zoe Rainey Angie Welsh Winnie Bridgens Carl Cunningham Allen Vaughan Rich Gray Irene Beard	
		<b>ST. MARY MAGDALENE</b> Nancy Weise	
		<b>ST. JEROME</b> Nancy Barnes Yvonne Hurley	
		<b>ST. MATTHEW</b> Alicia Garibaldi Carmen Alfonso	

## REQUIESCAT IN PACE

*Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord,  
and let perpetual light shine upon them;  
and may their souls, and all the souls of the  
faithful departed,  
through the mercy of God, rest in peace.  
Amen.*



**Frank Castillo**  
*St. Martin de Porres*

**Gail Wilfong**  
*St. Bernard of Clairvaux*

*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.*



# THE VINCENTIAN ANNUITY

Supporting  
St. Vincent de Paul  
not just  
for a lifetime,  
but **forever.**

### SAMPLE ANNUITY RATES

	SINGLE LIFE	TWO LIVES
AGE 60	4.4%	3.9%
AGE 70	5.1%	4.6%
AGE 80	6.8%	5.7%
AGE 90	9.0%	8.2%

A gift through the Vincentian Annuity will give you the security of a fixed income over your lifetime and provide support for St. Vincent de Paul that will last forever.

As an example, Helen, an 80-year-old widow and St. Vincent de Paul volunteer, recently established a \$50,000 Vincentian gift annuity. For her age, the annuity rate is 6.8%, meaning she'll receive \$3,400 annually for the rest of her life. And, she may take an income tax deduction of about 50% of her gift this year. Best of all, her gift will support St. Vincent de Paul's work for generations to come. Annuity gifts start at \$10,000.

**TO SEE IF AN ANNUITY IS RIGHT FOR YOU**  
visit [plannedgiving.stvincentdepaul.net](https://plannedgiving.stvincentdepaul.net).

Take a look at our planned giving tools, including a benefit calculator. To discuss giving options, contact Donna Rodgers at 602-261-6884 or [plannedgiving@svdpaz.org](mailto:plannedgiving@svdpaz.org).

P.O. Box 13600 Phoenix, AZ 85002 | [stvincentdepaul.net](https://stvincentdepaul.net)



**THE SOCIETY OF  
ST. VINCENT DE PAUL**

FEED. CLOTHE. HOUSE. HEAL.