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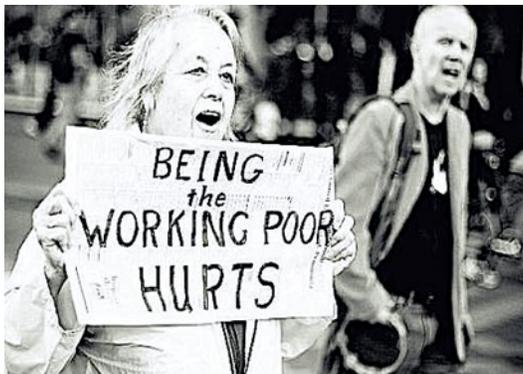
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"It is for your love alone that the poor will forgive you the bread you give them." St. Vincent de Paul

Giving Up Stereotyping Others for Lent



Lent is a time in the Catholic liturgical year that calls all of the faithful to focus on growing closer to God through prayer, fasting, and almsgiving. During these forty days, we are encouraged to take stock of our spiritual life and to quiet ourselves and create a deeper space in our hearts so that we can encounter the Risen Christ at Easter in a renewed and more meaningful way. For most of us, the pandemic and CDC guidelines have changed the ways in which we gather, prepare, and pray but the additional time that such changes have created are a perfect platform for us to spend more time in personal spiritual growth.

As a child, I often looked forward to Lent and the opportunity to give something up. Nothing I really cared about of course. I tried several years to give up school for the sake of my spiritual growth. It didn't work. While personal sacrifice and fasting are a meaningful part of Lent, how many of us honestly use those practices in a manner that helps us grow in holiness and prepares our hearts to meet Christ anew at Easter?

Giving up things we care about is difficult and certainly a personal sacrifice but does giving up chocolate, wine, or going on a diet really make us or the world better? This Lent we have the time and space to address giving up something that often times interferes with our Vincentian vocation and in growing closer to God. We can work on reducing or eliminating our prejudices and stereotypes of the poor.

The welfare programs in America were founded on the belief that there are two types of needy people, the "worthy" and the "unworthy poor". Our nation is committed to helping the "worthy poor" while at the same time believing that we are entitled to expressing great disdain and rejection for the "unworthy poor". For example, to many people it is clear that someone with a nice car, large house, great furniture, or an iPhone cannot possibly be poor and certainly is not deserving of our support or assistance. It is hard to be poor on many levels including the fact that you often feel that people are judging you. As someone struggling with poverty, you feel great pressure to prove that you are in the "worthy Poor" group and not one of the slothful, irresponsible unworthy poor.

To be considered worthy, a poor person is often expected to be clean but not over dressed, orderly and organized but not overly so, and they should most certainly be spending their money only on necessities while saving for the future. It goes without saying that they should also be gainfully employed working as many hours as possible.

In the article "Poor People Deserve Nice Things", Reina Sultan shares her firsthand experiences of the beliefs that many of us hold about the poor:

"Poor people need to work hard and enjoy nothing until said work lifts them into a higher socioeconomic class. Only then can a previously poor person enjoy the fruits of their labor. Only rich people deserve to participate in American consumerism. The rest of us are just too lazy to have nice things. We poor people aren't financially literate enough to make the right monetary decisions. That's why we're still poor."

I have to admit that I often fall prey to the temptation to stereotype the people that call upon the Society for help. I am a little hesitant when I drive up to a house for a visit and see a vehicle in the driveway that costs more than my own or am surprised by an oversized big screen television mounted on the living room wall. I start thinking to myself that perhaps they are taking advantage of the Society and its donors and are not worthy of our assistance. While as Vincentians we are called to be stewards of the funds entrusted to us, we are not called to make decisions based on physical impressions only. We are called to listen to their story and their request with open hearts and minds. We are asked to judge the request not the person.

The poor are in so many ways just like us. They have struggles beyond their capacity to handle and need some outside support but they deserve nice things and they deserve our respect. As Blessed Rosalee Rendu pointed out, the poor are our masters for without them we could not grow in holiness through service. A giver needs a receiver and we are indebted to them for accepting our humble gifts. I pray that during this Lent each of us has the courage to take inventory of our beliefs about those whom we serve and give up any negative prejudgments that may have taken root in our hearts. May we all learn to see others through our Heavenly Father's eyes and care for the poor with a heart as merciful and compassionate as our Lord's.

By Shirley Smalley

News from Queen of Peace

Early Saturday morning, December 18, was a busy and joyous time for members of the Queen of Peace Conference of St. Vincent de Paul in Mesa. **It was windy and cold, but we came to do our part!** We expect it will be the same on the Wednesday afternoon, December 22, the last toy pickup before Christmas. On these two days some 85 families and over 150 children of the greater Mesa area have or will receive a Christmas made a little brighter.

Ann Baumer, President, Sylvia Barillas, Project Coordinator, and the Vincentian team at Queen of Peace worked long and hard to prepare for this Christmas "Gifting". They have spent time and effort in gathering toys and gifts from members of the parish and community. They have diligently sorted and labeled the toys according to age and gender, then bagged them by family and pickup time. These Vincentian volunteers have taken time out from their own busy schedules, jobs, and Christmas preparations. To a person among these volunteers, they agree that the time spent has made them appreciate their own Christmas blessings.

Along with gifts for the children, the families will or have received gift cards for food for the holidays. In an act of generosity, Safeway/Albertson's stores donated these gift cards to all 80 conferences of St. Vincent de Paul. As such, they are our partners, sharing the ultimate gift of love with the less-fortunate in our community.

In the name of these families and children, SVDP congratulates and thanks for the generosity of Safeway/Albertson's and the generous members of the ever-supportive Queen of Peace Parish!
Thank you all, Merry Christmas and Happy New Year!



*Thank you
to all
our Donors*



The Generosity of Others

The chances of hosting the SVdP Annual December Palomino Student Christmas Shopping Day seemed bleak when the Paradise Valley School District informed us that, because of a shortage of bus drivers, they would be unable to transport the students to one of our thrift stores for the event. The thought of not having this long-standing event that had allowed hundreds of children of the working poor to have the opportunity to shop for gifts for their family members seemed unthinkable. For more than thirty years, this project had filled the hearts of children with the joy of giving to others. So, the staff and volunteers set out on a quest to modify the event so that transportation did not need to be provided by the schools.



The result was the creation of a project of a different sort where all students received their own \$25 dollar gift card to our Thrift stores. These cards could be redeemed at any of our thrift stores but families were encouraged to use them on a special Saturday morning at the Hope Chest. This project required hours of preparation including the stuffing and delivery of 1,000 gifts bags complete with candy, goodies, and a gift card. The event included a parade of volunteers and sponsors, hours of set up and staging, hundreds of new toys and gifts, Santa Claus, Christmas Carolers, gift wrapping, candy canes, free books, and the true joy of the Season.



This project was made possible in large part because of the generosity of caring sponsors who were willing to step up and help us shift gears so that these children had the chance to buy gifts for their loved ones. Sagicor Life Insurance Company was the primary sponsor of this year's Palomino project underwriting the cost of all 1,000 gift cards. Sagicor has been a Corporate Sponsor of our St. Vincent de Paul Council since 2018. Their corporate vision embodies a commitment to enhancing the lives of the people in the communities where they operate and that is clearly demonstrated by their support of SVdP. Not only did the company underwrite the majority of the financial cost of this project, they also provided volunteers for the morning activities at the Hope Chest. Additional sponsors included Walmart and U-Haul. These companies are also longtime supporters of this project and the Society here in Phoenix.

When the doors opened at the Hope Chest on December 11, the children and their families were greeted with smiles, warmth, and the joy that comes from hearts that are willing to give of themselves for the sake of others. St. Nicholas has many faces and those faces include our Corporate Sponsors. At the close of every SVdP meeting we say the words, *"Lord, it is through your inspiration that so many people are generous in providing us with the resources to serve those in need. Bless and protect our benefactors who sacrifice and share so that our hands will be filled with gifts."* We are so grateful for the sponsors and donors who provided the resources we needed for this special Christmas project. Their faithfulness and generosity touched hundreds of families in a way that not only gave their children the opportunity to buy gifts for their loved one but allowed them to experience firsthand how special they are in the eyes of God and their community.

Share the Joy!



*If God is the center of your life, no words are necessary.
Your mere presence will touch hearts. St. Vincent de Paul*

One of the greatest challenges that Vincentian conferences and councils face is the recruitment and retention of members. The Society is always looking for new members both full and associates as well as volunteers. So the big question is how and where can we find new members and how can we recruit and retain them?

Over the years, many conferences have found the National *Invitation to Serve* program useful and effective. This program is available on the National SVdP web site and through our local Vincentian Support Services office. Other conferences have found Ministry or Stewardship Fairs at their local Parishes to be helpful and some conferences have reached out in innovative ways by speaking to church and civic groups, schools, and colleges. Each conference has to look at the community they serve and determine where the best places are to find new members. The more creative we are the more likely we are to find new Vincentians.

But with all that said, the number one reason that individuals report that led them to volunteer or join a service group such as the Society is because someone they respected or admired invited them to join. A personal ask by an existing member is the most effective recruiting tool we have. Most of us have asked at least one of two of our family members or friends to join the Society but we often forget the power of the "silent ask".

St. Francis of Assisi knew the power of the silent message proclaimed not by our words but rather by the message spoken by our very lives. Being a Vincentian is a great blessing. It is a vocational call that brings us grace, helps us to grow in holiness, allows us to live out the Gospel message, makes us part of a community of true brothers and sisters in Christ, and brings us great joy. How often do we allow the joy of being a Vincentian to shine forth for others to see?

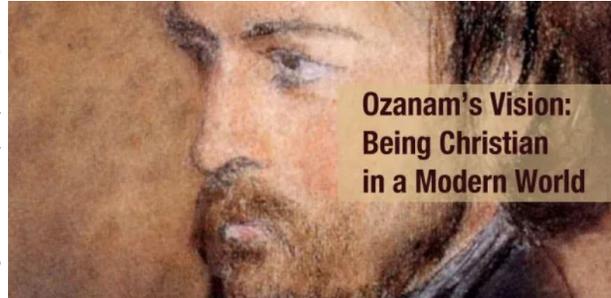
In order for people to be touched by the joy we have as Vincentians, our conferences and councils must be visible, active, alive and on fire. Our members need to be active in the life of the Parish as a group. Vincentians can put on their aprons and help serve Sunday donuts or at the Parish Lenten Fish Dinners. There are really no limits as to how and where we can offer our time, our physical support, and our love of the Lord with others. We can open the doors and allow parishioners to help with our food drives, Back-to-School or Christmas programs. And when they join us, we should never hesitate to share the joy and delight we find in serving Christ through service to others.

When people ask us where our joy comes from, we need to let them know that it comes from being a Vincentian and being counted as worthy to stand before the Lord and serve Him by serving His poor. People will never be moved to join us if we are invisible, grumpy or if we constantly complain about being a Vincentian. Joy is a spiritual gift that comes from a close relationship to the Lord and His friends. It radiates, is contagious and brings new life to the world and hope to the hopeless. If we show and share our joy, we will be able to recruit and retain members.

May our lives proclaim the joy of being a Vincentian and when we do that joy will be like a powerful magnet attracting others to our work, to our hearts, and to our conferences. So let us go out and share our joy with everyone we encounter.

Ozanam—A Man of Faith and Vision

When Ozanam was challenged by his peers in the Conference of History to demonstrate how Catholicism was changing the lives of contemporary Frenchmen, he instinctively understood this as a challenge to both his own insulated and comfortable existence, as well as the Church's own aristocratically coddled position in



**Ozanam's Vision:
Being Christian
in a Modern World**

French society. He interpreted the challenge as one that called him out to the dirty, garbage-strewn ghettos of Paris where he and his friends would encounter the very real human byproducts of industrial capitalism. He could have chosen to interpret this challenge differently. He could have taken the challenge as a call to be more pious, more liturgically oriented, or more involved in the political machinery of the Church and its relationship to the State of Louis-Phillipe. All of these would have been valid, even, in some ways, more likely responses to such a challenge. However, Ozanam chose an option for the poor instead, which resulted in an organization whose praxis was distinguished from other Catholic charitable outreaches of his day. Ozanam's option was one that would prefigure the kinds of preferential options called for a century later by liberation theologians, and eventually by the Pope himself.

Although Ozanam referred to his work as "charity" there are many ways that his vision for the Society of St. Vincent de Paul transcended mere charitable giving and foreshadowed the preferential option for the poor that later appears in Catholic social thought. Most importantly, Ozanam insisted on putting a human face to the otherwise distant and anonymous practice of charity. Ozanam's humanization of the poor anticipated the theme of human dignity in later Catholic social theory, demanding members to go out and meet poor families and, in so many ways, adopt them and make their struggles the struggles of the Society members. The Society's approach to the poor also anticipated the theme of solidarity in bringing together people of different classes who were artificially alienated from one another by sinful social, political, and economic structures, and giving them the opportunity of experiencing their genuine and deep filial bonds under their common divine parent. With the common good constantly in mind as the distant goal of the Society, Ozanam forged an orthopraxis (*correct practice*) among the poorest of the poor in mid nineteenth-century France that would impel the Church forward, away from medieval conceptions and towards a more mature approach embodied in the concept of poverty and charity and the preferential option for the poor.

Taken from: Pioneer and Prophet: Frédéric Ozanam's Influence on Modern Catholic Social Theory by Thomas W. O'Brien DePaul University, Vincentian Heritage Journal Spring 4-15-2012



From the Desk of the Conference Resources Committee

Special Masses:

According to the United States Manual of the Society of St. Vincent de Paul, conferences should have a mass offered on five occasions each year for the following persons and groups.

The Four Intentions of the Society

The Church, the Sovereign Pontiff, the United States of America, the Society

The Deceased members of the Conference

The Deceased Poor

The Sick & Troubled Who Seek Divine Help and Cure through Ozanam's
Intercession

The Canonization of Frederick Ozanam

Ozanam Formation Experience (OFE) Requirements for Full Enhanced Members & Officers:

In July of 2020, the following ruling was made pertaining to the requirement for all voting members and officers to complete the required OFE classes prior to having the right to vote or hold office. Individuals unable to complete the requirement because classes were not being offered, were granted temporary voting privileges and opportunities to serve when needed as conference officers. Since OFE classes resumed the first week in August, the moratorium regarding the OFE requirement will end on April 30th. If you have not completed your classes, please be sure to do so before the deadline.

If you have questions, please contact Shirley Smalley at msmal14727@aol.com or at 602-799-3129.

As parliamentarian for the Diocesan Council and Council Board, it is my ruling that, because COVID-19 restrictions have prohibited the scheduling of OFE classes, members who meet all of the requirements for full membership as defined in our current Conference bylaws except for the requirement to complete their OFE classes may, by a majority vote of their conference, be awarded the status of "Associate Member with Voting Privileges". That classification will remain in place until they complete their OFE classes and/or for no more than nine months following the restart of our OFE sessions. This status allows such members to make motions, to discuss actions items, to offer amendments, and to vote in all conference matters including but not limited to presidential elections.

With the approval of the District president and in conjunction with the Spirituality Committee chair, such members may be eligible to hold office in a conference contingent on their completing their OFE requirement within nine months of the restart of OFE classes.



BRICKS to build the foundation

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 for such services in addition to our normal meetings, 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 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 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 district or conference president and spiritual advisor could work with your priest or deacon to develop and host a Lenten Retreat focused on the mission and values of the Society. Other conferences could even join you.

Vincenian Lenten Prayer:

A Prayer that can be said together as a Conference:

Reader 1: Jesus said to his disciples: "[But] take care not to perform righteous deeds in order that people may see them; otherwise, you will have no recompense from your heavenly Father. When you give alms, do not blow a trumpet before you, as the hypocrites do in the synagogues and in the streets to win the praise of others.

Amen, I say to you, they have received their reward."

Reader 2: "But when you give alms, do not let your left hand know what your right is doing, so that your almsgiving may be secret. And your Father who sees in secret will repay you."

Reader 3: "But when you pray, go to your inner room, close the door, and pray to your Father in secret. And your Father who sees in secret will repay you."

Reader 4: "When you fast, do not look gloomy like the hypocrites. They neglect their appearance, so that they may appear to others to be fasting. Amen, I say to you, they have received their reward. But when you fast, anoint your head and wash your face, so that you may not appear to others to be fasting, except to your Father who is hidden. And your Father who sees what is hidden will repay you." (Matthew 6: 1-6,16-18)

Reader 5: May Jesus gift us with his presence this Lent, so that we can be a gift to others as we:

Right side:

Fast from judging others
 Fast from unrelenting pressures
 Fast from self-concern
 Fast from personal anxiety
 Fast from discouragement
 Fast from criticism
 Fast from complaining
 Fast from social media
 Fast from resentments

Left Side:

to feast on kindness.
 to feast on trusting God.
 to feast on compassion.
 to feast on hope .
 to feast on encouragement.
 to feast on affirmation.
 to feast on complimenting.
 to feast on prayer and silence.
 to feast on forgiveness

Together:

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

Prayer and Soup:

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 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 cost to the conference with those donated funds being used to buy food for the poor.

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 to help feed the hungry and cloth 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 at all masses on Pentecost Sunday.

Date: January 2022

Category: Spirituality

**Words of Inspiration
From Our Founder
Bl. Frederic Ozanam**

Pardon me if I have waited so long a time to fulfill a most pleasant duty, that of congratulating you on your charitable efforts to establish in the town of Aix a little colony of the Society of St. Vincent de Paul. Your letter, communicated to our brothers in Paris, has moved their piety in a lively way; they have asked me to tell you how much the establishing of this new house of faith and love in the middle of religious Provence interests them... soon all towns that gather a studious youth around certain chairs will also have a conference to gather together Christian youth.

“Life in Letters,” September 3, 1839

**Words of Inspiration
From Our Patron
St. Vincent de Paul**

The means of obtaining this indifference from God is constant mortification; both interior and exterior. I will give you no other means. In the first place, let us reflect in order to discover whether we have an inclination to one thing rather than to another, and what are the objects which attract us most, in order to be on guard against them, to labor incessantly at separating ourselves from them, to root out from our heart all these inclinations, to disengage ourselves from all creatures, and to mortify our passions and senses at all times and in all places.

“On indifference,” May 16, 1659

News From Kingman

Several of the volunteers from St. Mary’s Conference - Kingman got together for a Christmas potluck on Thursday, December 16th at the home of Bernie Hubbert. Unfortunately, not everyone was able to attend, but those who did had a chance to visit and get to know one another better. It was a great team building experience, and all agreed that we should do something like this again.



Morning of Reflection

*Please join us for a
Morning of Reflection*

With

***Bishop Donald J. Hying
Saturday, March 5, 2022***

At

St. Gabriel

*32648 N. Cave Creek Road
Cave Creek, AZ85331*

Newsletter Articles

*If your Conference would like to submit an article for the March
Newsletter, please submit your article to
Sandy Edwards by February 15, 2022.*

Email to: sedwards@sudpaz.org

**OZANAM FORMATION EXPERIENCE (OFE)
IN-PERSON**

Feb. 26, Saturday (OFE 1 &2) and Feb. 27, Sunday (OFE 3 & 4)- St. Margaret Mary – Bullhead City – 9am – 3 pm (both days)

Mar. 12, Saturday (OFE 1 & 2) & Mar. 26, Saturday (OFE 3 & 4) – Vincentian Support Services Board Room – Phoenix – 9am – 3pm

Pre-registration required as class size will be limited

Register by text, email, or phone by sending your name, email, phone number, address, conference name, and class date/dates to

Mary Ann Hunter

maryannhunter44@gmail.com

928-699-9232

Attending both classes is one qualification for acceptance as a full member of the Society of St. Vincent de Paul.

General Membership Meeting

Our next GM will be on March 19, 2022

8:30 am Mass

Hall of Banners

420 W. Watkins Road, Phoenix



Current Volunteer Needs

THE SOCIETY OF ST. VINCENT DE PAUL
FEED. CLOTHE. HOUSE. HEAL.

We need your help!
At St. Vincent de Paul, 95% of our workforce are volunteers-like YOU! We really can't do our work without our volunteers. The community works best when we all do it together!

Kitchen Crew

Help our kitchen prepare 4,500 nutritional meals to distribute to our 5 dining rooms and other partner agencies. Volunteer duties may include chopping vegetables, opening cans, packaging food, and cleaning up.

Watkins Main Campus | 2120 S. 3rd Dr, Phoenix 85003

- Monday-Friday 6:30 AM – 11:30 AM, 11:00 AM – 1:00 PM, or 2:30 PM - 6:00 PM

Meal Services

Our goal is to serve a warm, nutritious meal with love to 4,500 guests daily. Volunteer duties may include set up, guest greeting, waiting on tables, bussing tables, plating food, and cleaning up.

Family Dining Room | 2120 S. 3rd Dr, Phoenix 85003

- Monday-Friday 3:30 PM – 6:30 PM

Phoenix Dining Room | 1300 W. Harrison St, Phoenix 85007

- Daily 9:30AM – 1:00 PM
- Monday-Friday 6:00 AM – 8:30 AM
- Fridays 3:00 PM – 6:00 PM

Sunnyslope Dining Room | 9227 N. 10th Ave, Phoenix 85021

- Daily 3:30 PM – 6:00 PM
- Monday-Friday 10:30 AM – 1:00 PM

Dream Center

Our Dream Center provides tutoring and educational activities for children who visit our Family Dining Room. Volunteer duties include set up, helping with homework, and assisting with educational activities.

Family Dining Room | 2120 S. 3rd Dr, Phoenix 85003

- Monday-Friday 3:30 PM – 6:30 PM

For questions and sign-up information, please contact volunteer@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...

ALL SAINTS MESA

Tom Margalski
Judy Allard
Nancy Hackert
Veronica Nord
Maureen Julian

CHURCH OF THE RESURRECTION

Caroline Steele
Bob Bruce

HOLY CROSS

Rose Burmich
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Martin (Lefty) Wolf

IMMACULATE CONCEPTION

James Reed
Mike Vize
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Lynn Treimer
Lee Martearler
Al and Regina Gilson
Pam Willis
Diane McCann

MOST HOLY TRINITY

Jackie Hennings

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Brian O'Donnell
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REQUIESCAT IN PACE



Alden Guillory

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Phyllis Bacic

St. Clare of Assisi

Frank Estrada

Holy Family

***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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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.

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.

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Time: 8:30 am

Where: Hall of Banners
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