

St. Vincent De Paul Church

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Mission Statement

St. Vincent de Paul is a faith community striving to live Jesus' gospel message of love, peace and justice for all peoples. In the spirit of St. Vincent de Paul, our inclusive community welcomes, affirms and serves both the poorest of the poor and those who are alienated and most vulnerable among us. Our individual faith journeys join together in the celebration of the Eucharist. Through the guidance of the Holy Spirit, we will continue to nurture the gifts of all our members. Our parish family will draw strength and unity from diversity. We will foster an atmosphere of warmth, hospitality and prayerfulness. We pray that our commitment to these efforts will further the mission of being one with our God and one with each other.

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Eucharistic Celebration ♦ Saturday 4pm, Sunday 9 & 11am
Sacrament of Reconciliation ♦ Please call for an appointment.

June 12, 2016

MASS INTENTIONS FOR THIS WEEK

SUN	06/12	Joseph Mastronardo John Antonio Daluz	9:00 am 11:00 am
MON	06/13	NO MASS	
TUE	06/14	Joan Bretschneider	7:00 am
WED	06/15	Miraculous Medal	7:00 am
THU	06/16	Miraculous Medal	7:00 am
FRI	06/17	Miraculous Medal	7:00 am
SAT	06/18	Miraculous Medal	4:00pm

Today's Readings

First Reading: 2 Samuel 12:7-10, 13
 Psalm: Psalm 32
 Second Reading: Galatians 2:16, 19-21
 Gospel: Luke 7:36-8:3

Readings for Next Week

First Reading: Zechariah 12:10-11, 13:1
 Psalm: Psalm 63
 Second Reading: Galatians 3:26-29
 Gospel: Luke 9:18-24

THIS WEEK'S CALENDAR

SUN Eleventh Sunday Ordinary Time
SAT Sacrament of Penance 3-3:30 pm

Monday: 1 Kgs 21:1-16; Ps 5:2-3ab, 4b-7; Mt 5:38-42
 Tuesday: 1 Kgs 21:17-29; Ps 51:3-6ab, 11, 16; Mt 5:43-48
 Wednesday: 2 Kgs 2:1, 6-14; Ps 31:20, 21, 24; Mt 6:1-6, 16-18
 Thursday: Sir 48:1-14; Ps 97:1-7; Mt 6:7-15
 Friday: 2 Kgs 11:1-4, 9-18, 20; Ps 132:11-14, 17-18; Mt 6:19-23
 Saturday: 2 Chr 24:17-25; Ps 89:4-5, 29-34; Mt 6:24-34

FOR THIS WE PRAY

Parishioners

Muriel Ancrum, Patricia Banmiller, Bernadette Barry, Katherine Elliott, Tom Weir, Anoa Curtis, Myles McDonald, William Drinker, Judith Di Battista, Ruby Tyer, Donna Jean Cocchia, Leo Johnson, Patricia Judge, Pat Burton, Thomas Baumann, Dick Taylor, Ginny Witte, Edna Poole, Bobbi Satterthwait, Nan Wade, Betsy Moore, Vince Morgan, Gerry Widmann, Kay Harty, Mary Lynn Kraft, Darryl Carroll, Helen Rosales, Natalie Gianetti, Arlene Myers, Betty Barnett, William Horoschak, Gertrude Steptoe.

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Maryann Hunsicker, Steven David Aslow, Mary Fazzini DeCanelo, Laura Alfonse, Nancy Tooker, C'aron & Wynter Marie Hamilton, Tim McCabe, Harrison Harper, Claude Harper, Jaedon Anthony Horton, Arturo Magana Herrera, Lisa Kineke, John Brennan, Ashley Kiker, The Carey Family, Monique & Joseph Phillips, Dan Wuenschel, Ashley Margetech, Johnny Hilferty, Diane McCabe, Judy Spearmint, Millie Kribel, Kathleen Lawson, Dorothy Heimlich, Connie Bronson, Joseph Simmons, Amy Natkins, Terri Jackson, Mary Sarabocca, Alice Penderghast, Samuel Gonzalez, Mary Elizabeth Unterfofler, Ana Esquilin Santos, Mainsford Family, Rayan Bouso, Richard Lipton, Palmina Rucker, Martha King Cox, Anna Satchell, Steve Damville, Jessica Jara, Joe Hagan, Ned Dugery, Bart Sullivan.

Our Sister Parish of Las Anonas de Santa Cruz, El Salvador. Those who fight in wars, those who are victims of war, and those who seek peace and justice.

PASTORAL CARE

We will bring the Eucharist to those unable to attend Mass regularly because of sickness or infirmity. Please call the Rectory, at 215-438-2925.

Last Week's Collection	5,266.90
Electronic	<u>3,038.00</u>
Total	8,304.90
Tithe	415.24

BAPTISM OF OUR CHILDREN

Call Fr. Sy Peterka, Pastor, at 215-438-2925, ext. 218, for available dates and additional information.

RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS

The RCIA is the process through which adults become members of the Catholic Church. If you are interested in exploring whether the Catholic Church is where you want to begin or continue your Christian faith journey, please contact the Rectory at 215-438-2925.

THOSE IN NEED OF THE SACRAMENTS

Please contact Fr. Sy Peterka, at 215-438-2925 ext.218, to make arrangements.

MINISTRY OPPORTUNITIES

If you are interested in becoming involved in one or more of our Parish ministries, call the Church office, at 215-438-2925.

PARISH OUTREACH

Non-perishable food donations may be made Monday, Tuesday and Friday between 9am and Noon. To make an appointment for any other time, please call Evelyn Rogers at 215-438-1514.

RESERVATIONS FOR MEETINGS/EVENTS

Please call the Church office, 215-438-2925.

RACIAL HEALING STATEMENT

To foster a community in which people of all races and cultures are treated as equals and fully participate in the life of the church. We hope to achieve this by... Deepening Cross-Racial/Cross-Cultural relationships; Developing each person's gifts for Leadership & Ministry, (Including each group's Art & Culture) and by... Supporting actions for justice.

ANNOUNCEMENTS - June 12-19, 2016

CELEBRATING LAUDATO SI 1st ANNIVERSARY

From June 12 to June 19, Catholics and people of faith around the world will be celebrating the first anniversary of Pope Francis' Encyclical, *Laudato Si, On Care for Our Common Home*. Both the Global Catholic Climate Movement and the US Bishops' Catholic Climate Covenant are urging individuals, families, organizations and parishes to plan events to honor and celebrate this historic document, with the goal of generating at least 1,000 events worldwide. At St Vincent's, we are hoping to celebrate a special *Laudato Si* Liturgy on the weekend of **June 18th & 19th**. The Mass will call all of us to think deeply and pray strongly for the healing and sustaining grace needed by our Mother, Earth and will include music, readings and symbols related to Care for Creation. All those at Mass will have the opportunity to take the St. Francis Pledge, which reads: "*I pledge to pray, act and advocate to solve the problem of climate change.*" Taking the St Francis Pledge is the best way for our parish community to take action. If you pledge on the website listed below, you can receive action alerts, resources and stories from Catholics leading the charge. Register your pledge here: www.catholicclimatecovenant.org.

FR. TIM'S FAREWELL

Fr. Tim will not be going far in distance, but we will still miss his daily presence. We also want to say farewell and happy 65th birthday with a party after each Mass on **Sunday, July 31**.

AND WE WELCOME...

Fr. Joe Cummings, C. M. (formerly with Immaculate's parish) who will be joining us after Labor Day.

LEGION OF MARY

Legion of Mary meets every Wednesday at 1pm in the rectory.

SENIORS MINISTRY

We will gather each Wednesday from 11am-2pm in the Senior Center located behind the church.

HOSPITALITY

All are welcome to enjoy hospitality on the Rectory porch between the Sunday Masses. You are also welcome to host; just All are welcome to enjoy summer hospitality on the Rectory porch after the nine o'clock mass. You are also welcome to host; just sign up on the posted list by the side door entrance. Everything is supplied. There is no need to buy anything. Hosts serve cookies and other snack items and prepare lemonade. All supplies are kept in the cabinets in the small room, just off of the rectory kitchen. There is no cost to the community for summer hospitality. If you have any questions or concerns, contact Jack DiFeo 215 887-7911.

SAVE THE DATE!

We invite you to a panel discussion on "Love of Family" focusing on Pope Francis' exhortation on family life in all forms to be held at St. Vincent's on **Sunday, June 26 at 1pm**.

PART TIME BOOKKEEPER NEEDED

Kitty Intrieri will be retiring! We are seeking an honest, hardworking person with accounting skills to work flexible hours. If interested, call Kitty at the Parish a.s.a.p.

POWER Updates:

Harrisburg bus trip to speak up for School Funding: Tuesday, June 28! Let's fill a bus with St Vincent's parishioners—families, children, seniors, teachers, everyone! We depart St Vincent's at 8 am and return by 4pm. No charge but must reserve seats by **June 23** and bring a bag lunch. Sign clipboard in the back of church or contact Mary Laver (mlaver14@comcast.net 610-324-9388). Why June 28? School will be out, and the state budget is due two days later. People are coming from Philadelphia and across the state! So plan to come with your children and "grands" as we tell legislators that NOW is the time to increase funding for schools—so teachers can teach and students can learn.

Voter Registration: Can you volunteer?

POWER does not support candidates, but it does support participation in elections. St Vincent's and other POWER congregations have a goal of 100% congregant voter-turnout. We will also work hard to register new voters in our neighborhoods all summer, at events and locations where people gather. If you can help, we can train you! Sign up on clipboard in the back of church. Important dates: **Tues June 14** (6:30 to 9 PM): Voter Registration Volunteer Training at 2nd Baptist Church of Germantown (6459 Germantown Ave; enter from parking lot off Cliveden). **Sat June 18**: Voter registration volunteers needed at 2 "Juneteenth" events—one in Germantown from 10 to 4, one in Center City from noon to 8. "Juneteenth" celebrates the day in 1865 when the last cohort of African-American slaves (in Texas) received word that they were emancipated. **Tues Oct 11**: Deadline for the Board of Elections to receive registration forms. **Tues Nov 8**: Election Day

Next POWER meeting: **Monday, June 20, 7-8:30pm** in the Hospitality Room. All are welcome!

NEW SANCTUARY MOVEMENT

Know Your Rights Workshop will be held **Saturday, June 18, 10am** in the Parish Center. Breakfast will be provided! Learn your constitutional rights and how to protect yourself, your family, and your community from law enforcement abuse. Questions and RSVP Mary Regan mpdegan@gmail.com, 215-848-9489.

Jubilee of Migrants & Refugees will be celebrated in a prayer service on **Tuesday, June 21, 7pm** St. Thomas Aquinas Church.

COFFEE SALE TO SUPPORT OUR SISTER PARISH

Our Sister Parish ministry is still holding a monthly sale of Fair-Trade coffee to support our work with our friends in El Salvador to help fund scholarships, advocacy, and education about issues affecting our Salvadoran friends. We will take your order and payment 2 weeks before delivery: see Mary Durkin or Joanie Brooks at church or contact Joanie at jmblapaz@yahoo.com or 267-825-6989, Mary at joemarydelia@verizon.net or 215-675-9166.

INTERFAITH COMMUNITY BUILDING GROUP

This partnership of St Vincent's and Mishkon Shalom will be working in Germantown **July 4-8** repairing houses. You can help for a day or two or the full week. Teens 16-18 with parental supervision welcome. If you can help our neighbors in a concrete way, contact Lance Laver 610-668-9845, llaver4@comcast.net.

SENIOR COMMUNITY SERVICES FAIR

Catholic Social Service NE Family Center 7340 Jackson St. will hold an informational fair on **Friday, June 24, 10am-1pm**.

St. Vincent de Paul Church
Electronic Donation Authorization ES6255

Thank you for considering donations to St. Vincent de Paul electronically via your bank account. Please complete this form so that we can set things up for you. If you have questions, call Kitty at 215-438-2925x229

Date _____ Envelope Number _____
Electronic Type: New ___ Change ___

Name _____
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Address _____

City _____ State ___ Zip _____

Telephone # _____

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Date of 1st Donation _____

Amount of Donation _____

Frequency:

Monthly on the **1st** _____

Monthly on the **15th** _____

Weekly (**every Monday**) _____

Weekly (**every other Monday**) _____

Bank Routing Number _____

Account Number _____

Please debit my checking account per **attached voided check**. (If you wish to debit your savings account, please contact your bank for routing and account number.) **I authorize the above organization to process debit entries to my bank account. I understand that this authority will remain in effect until I provide reasonable notification to terminate the authorization.**

Authorized signature and Date:

Prayers of the Faithful
June 11-12, 2016
Eleventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

Forgiving God, we pray that the Church guided by Pope Francis will reexamine the just war theory and seek non-violent ways to resolve conflict.

We pray that world leaders will strive to reduce poverty in their own countries and in the developing world. May the gap between those who are wealthy and those impoverished be reduced.

Forgiving God, we pray for families fractured by unresolved conflicts and long held grudges. Give us hearts willing to forgive.

We pray for fathers who are challenged by the expectations of many roles. May they be enlightened and strengthened as they nurture and guide their children.

Forgiving God, we pray for all who struggle with a sense of unworthiness. May they grow to trust in your mercy. We pray that the sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick will bring encouragement to all who suffer in mind and body.

May your holy light embrace all our parishioners and loved ones who have died. Comfort with your presence all who mourn their passing.

Mary Ellen Graham
Peg McFadden

ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR JUNE 11TH AND 12TH, 2016

LOVE OF FAMILY: Come to our panel discussion on "Amoris Latitia" (Love of Family), the Papal exhortation. We will have panelists presenting ideas from different unique perspectives. Free, light lunch at 12:30pm. Panel discussion is from 1:00 until 2:30pm, on Sunday, June 26th.

BOOKKEEPER NEEDED: Kitty is retiring. So, we are seeking a part-time bookkeeper. If you know an honest hardworking person, with accounting skills. Please have them contact Kitty, A.S.A.P. Our Finance Council will interview. Hours can be flexible.

FR. TIM'S FAREWELL: On July 31st, we will have a farewell party, after each Mass, to say goodbye to Fr. Tim and to celebrate his 65th birthday. More details coming.

JUBILEE OF MIGRANTS AND REFUGEES, ON TUESDAY, JUNE 21ST: A prayer service will be held at St. Thomas Aquinas Church (1719 Morris Street, Philadelphia, PA 19145), from 7pm until 9pm.

MOVIE NIGHT: On Friday, June 24th, we will show "Which Way Home". Bring the family. Free movie. Free meal.

FATHER'S DAY IS NEXT SUNDAY: Fathers bring all your extended family. Families bring all your "father figures".

DEPAUL SCHOOL GRADUATION: Wednesday, at 1:00pm, DePaul School's graduation will be here, at St. Vincent's. All are welcome.

ANNOUNCEMENTS AT MASS: The Liturgy Committee will soon have procedures for making verbal announcements at Mass.

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS FOR THE HOMEBOUND: We have a few people in need of a monthly visit to distribute Holy Communion. If you can visit another person, please call Barbara Carey at (215) 438-2652.

HELEN COPELAND: Doug Copeland's mother, Helen, has died. Please keep her and the Copeland family in your prayers.

RESERVING A ROOM: When planning a meeting or event, please remember to contact the Rectory and reserve a room.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED IN OFFICE:

Day and time that is open:

Wednesday- 8am until 11am

Responsibilities: Answer phone and door. Take messages.

Please call the Rectory to volunteer for a specific day.



**NEW
SANCTUARY
MOVEMENT**
OF PHILADELPHIA

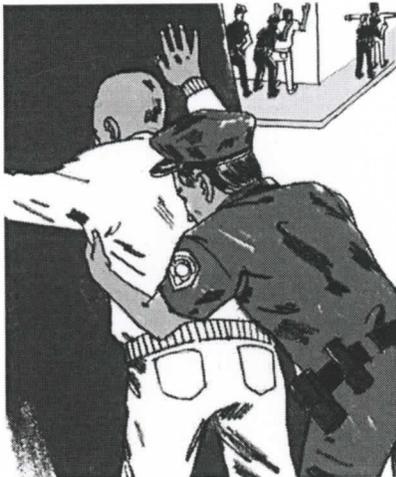
KNOW YOUR RIGHTS WORKSHOP

Protect yourself, your family, and your community. You have rights during encounters with law enforcement.

Saturday, June 18 at 10am

Location: Behind St. Vincent de Paul Church, 109 E. Price St., Germantown

We will have light refreshments.



LEARN:

- Your constitutional rights
- What to do if law enforcement comes to your home or car
- How to protect yourself and your community from unlawful detention

Questions: Mary Regan, (215) 848-9489

*Organized by St. Vincent's New Sanctuary Movement committee.
Justice for immigrants and all Philadelphia residents.*

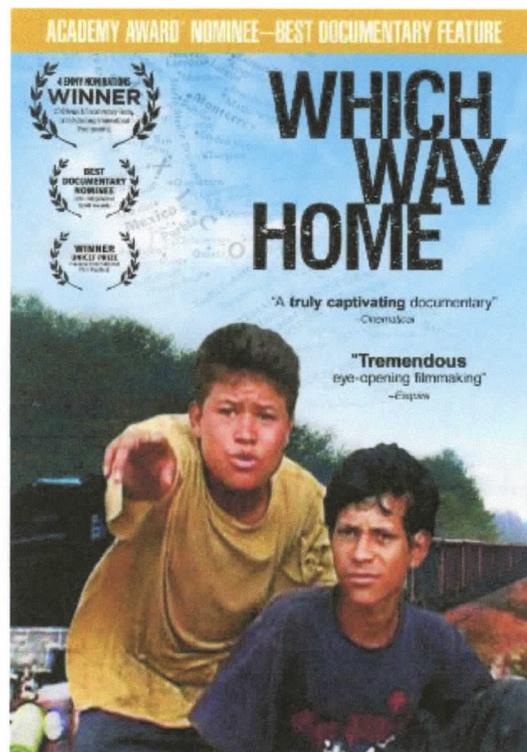
Dinner and A Movie Night!

Friday, June 24

Dinner: 6:00 PM (Bring a dessert!)

Movie and Discussion: 7:00 PM

Come for dinner and to watch and discuss *Which Way Home*, the award-winning documentary that follows the journeys of children from Mexico and Central America who are trying to get across the U.S. border and to a better life.



What is the Catholic response to our immigration crisis?
Come learn and share about this important issue as a
community of faith and hope.

CHILDREN DEMAND EDUCATIONAL JUSTICE

Calling all Children, Parents, Educators and Community Members

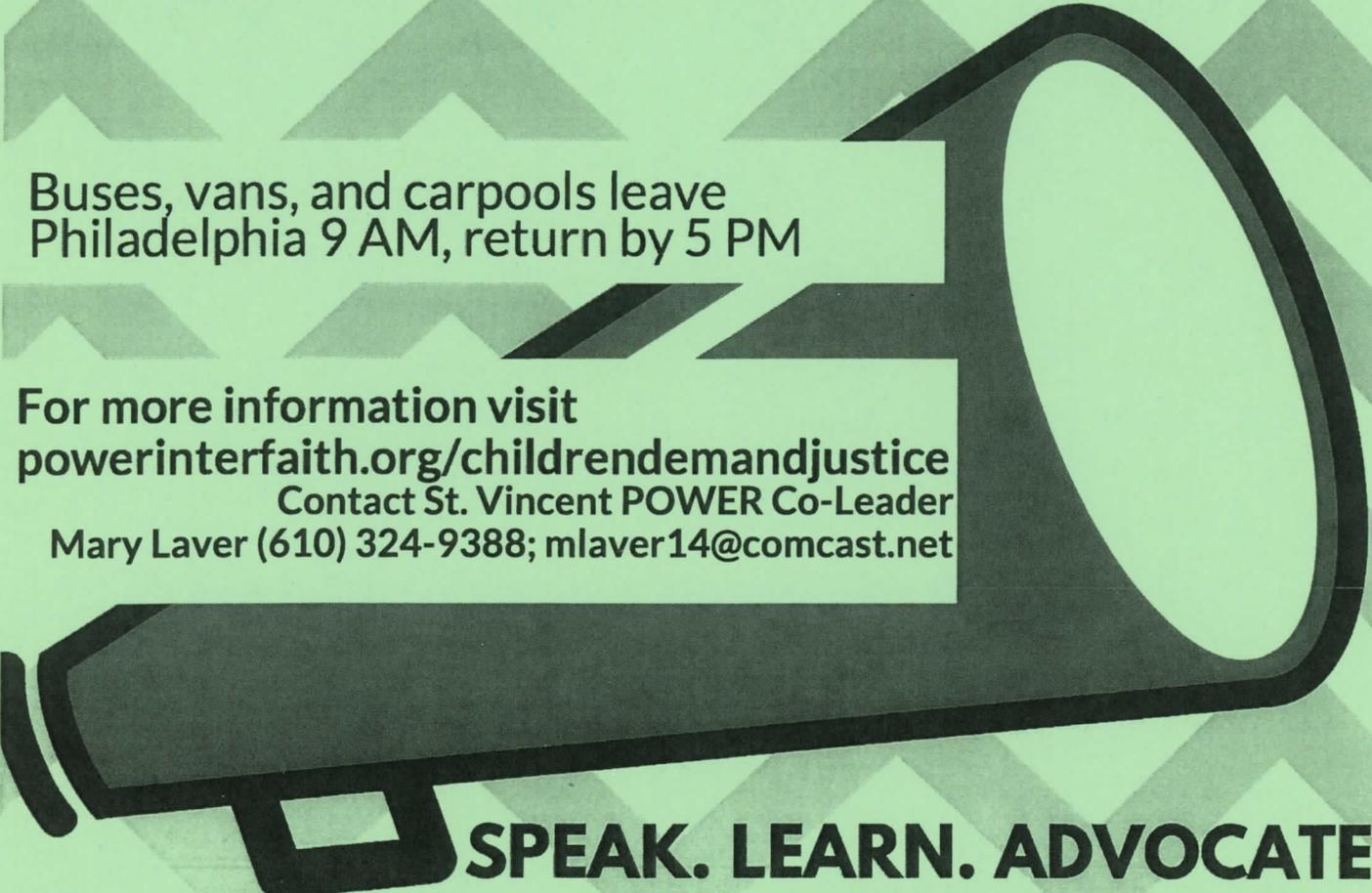
FUND OUR SCHOOLS! **JUNE. 28. 2016**

Join POWER and allied organizations in Harrisburg to demand an on-time budget that includes \$400M in increased public school funding. This free child-friendly day will include a march to the capitol building, rally inside the rotunda, and visit to legislative offices.

Stop fiscal child neglect! Our children are worth it!

Buses, vans, and carpools leave
Philadelphia 9 AM, return by 5 PM

For more information visit
powerinterfaith.org/childrendemandjustice
Contact St. Vincent POWER Co-Leader
Mary Laver (610) 324-9388; mlaver14@comcast.net



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POWERINTERFAITH.ORG

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LET YOUR VOICE BE HEARD.

Peggy (Margaret) Brockman Tighe

February 19, 1930 - May 29, 2016

Mary Anne Campelone got this news from Peggy' daughter Cathy, with whom she had been living in Washington [state] for more than six years.

It is with deep sadness that I share the following from Peggy's daughter, Cathy.

After a sudden decline in her health, mom passed away Sunday May 29th. She fought hard, so much so the nurses and doctors referred to her as feisty and a fighter.

I am sure that is no surprise to anyone who knew her.

After a week together, and at mom's bedside, Karen, Jay and Larry went home Sunday morning. Mom died later that day. Keith and I were there.

Keith suggested that we stay until sundown and then she was on her own as the doctors had told us that some wait to be alone to let go.

Mom must have heard. Shortly before sunset her breathing calmed, her brow relaxed, and opening her eyes she looked peacefully into the distance, and died a few minutes later.

Sunset was 8:57. Mom passed away at 8:47.

Mom loved all of you, her big family and many friends. She lived fully and passionately and with an abundance of optimism. Below is a sonnet that I think describes what mom would say to us all now.

If I die, survive me with such sheer force
that you waken the furies of the pallid and the cold,
from south to south lift your indelible eyes,
from sun to sun dream through your singing mouth.
I don't want your laughter or your steps to waver,
I don't want my heritage of joy to die.
Don't call up my person, I am absent.
Live in my absence as if in a house.
Absence is a house so vast
that inside you will pass through it's walls
and hang pictures on the air.
Absence is a house so transparent
that I lifeless, will see you, living
and if you suffer, my love, I will die again.

Pablo Neruda

We are taking time to think about how we will celebrate mom's life.

Funeral AnnouncementsPLEASE VIEW AND SIGN THE ONLINE
GUEST BOOK AT PHILLY.COM**TIGHE**

MARGARET "PEGGY" (nee Brockman) passed away May 29, 2016 in Seattle. Born in 1930 in Philadelphia to a large family, Peggy lived a many chaptered life. She started working shortly after graduating from Little Flower High School. Married in 1950, Peggy had four children. From her volunteer work while raising her children, including a time as president of the Local League of Women Voters, to her long work career rising from secretary to vice president of Poster Prints/Studio One, and as a Division Manager for Sylvan pools, Peggy was passionate and hardworking. She was an engaged grandmother throughout her working career. After retirement she devoted her time to her church, and was active in the peace and justice movement. Her last chapter found her at 78, in Seattle where she mastered the urban bus system, attended poetry readings, and explored all the city had to offer. Throughout, Peggy's love for her large family and many friends, her optimism and energy was unbounded. She was a force of nature. Peggy leaves behind her children, Catherine Tighe (and Keith McPeters), Larry Tighe, Karen (and Gary) Howey, Jay (and Audrey) Tighe, her grandchildren, Jenna, Julia, Matt, Andrea, and Oliver, and two great-grandchildren, Madison and Jackson. Also surviving her are sisters Kathy Rhodes, Joni Mahoney, Patricia Ehrhart and Bernadette Mastascusa, sisters and brothers-in-law, and over 30 nieces and nephews. Her brothers Stanley and Charles Brockman predecease her.

June 4-5, 2016

Dear friends,

A bill is currently pending in our state senate, HB 1947, that poses serious dangers for our own parish and for all the parishes, ministries, charities and schools of our archdiocesan Church. With this letter, I urge you to write or telephone your local state senator and members of the state Senate Judiciary Committee to vote *against* HB 1947, and especially to oppose any retroactivity provision in the civil statute of limitation covering sexual abuse.

All of us are rightly angered by the crime of sexual abuse. Over the past decade the Church has worked very hard to support survivors in their healing, to protect our children and to root this crime out of Church life. But HB 1947 and bills like it are destructive legislation being advanced as a good solution. The problem with HB 1947 is its prejudicial content. It covers both public and religious institutions -- but in drastically different and unjust ways. The bill fails to support all survivors of abuse equally, and it's a clear attack on the Church, her parishes and her people.

HB 1947 is retroactive for private and religious entities, but *not* retroactive for public institutions. It places very low caps on damages for sexual abuse in public schools in the future. And it makes it hard for abuse victims to sue public institutions going forward. Meanwhile, private and religious entities face *unlimited* liability for exactly the same evil actions, and not just going forward, but also in the past. This is not justice. In fact, HB 1947 actually *excludes* most victims. And it also targets innocent Catholic parishes like ours, and families like your own, that will bear the financial burden of crimes committed by bad individuals in the past, along with the heavy penalties that always result from these bad bills. This is *not* just an archdiocesan problem. It's very much *our* parish problem. In other states where similar legislation passed, local parishes exactly like ours have been sued, resulting in parish and school closures and charity work being severely crippled. The effect of bills like HB 1947 is to erase the sacrifices of generations of faithful Catholics who have done nothing wrong.

The Church in Pennsylvania accepts its responsibility for the survivors of clergy sex abuse. It's committed to helping them heal for however long that takes. But HB 1947 and bills like it are not an answer. This kind of legislation is unjust and deeply misleading. It benefits too few victims, and it ends up punishing Catholic parishes and families that are innocent of any wrongdoing.

This is a serious and time-sensitive matter. Please take a few minutes to review the important information materials available at the exits after Mass. Senate hearings begin on or around June 13. Please act now to contact your state senator, and members of the state Senate Judiciary Committee, and urge them to oppose HB 1947 and any effort to impose civil statute retroactivity. You can do that quickly and easily by visiting www.pacatholic.org. That's the website for our state Catholic Conference, and you'll see a prominent link on the homepage about this vital matter. Thank you and God bless you.

Sincerely yours in Jesus Christ,

Archbishop Chaput

2. SUMMARY OF FINDINGS

The parishioners of St. Vincent de Paul Parish are open, cordial and friendly. They feel very much at home and shared their love for their parish and one another with openness and honesty. They expressed great pride in the accomplishments of being a parish focused on social justice issues, with ministries and non-profits created which address those issues, and which serve the people of the parish, the larger Germantown neighborhood and El Salvador. They were open and candid in their remarks.

Of those we interviewed, the average number of years spent at St. Vincent de Paul was 19.5 years. And, when asked to rate from one to three how at home they felt at St. Vincent's, 45 (97.8%) of the 46 interviews said 3, they felt very much at home.

The top strengths noted:

1. The People/Church Community (26 Mentions);
2. Social Justice (22 Mentions);
3. Diversity (19 Mentions).

The people who comprise St. Vincent de Paul Parish see themselves as the number one strength and when describing themselves they intertwine all the other strengths mentioned. They are proud of their hospitality and welcoming nature (to ALL) and believe it flows from their spirituality. They love that they are diverse and that all members and visitors are viewed equally regardless of age, race, gender, socio-economic status, faith or length of time in the parish. Interviewees noted numerous times that the reason people are willing to travel great distances to worship at St. Vincent's is to be a part of a faith community entrenched in the "Social Justice orientation of the Gospel."

The top areas for improvement noted:

1. More Unity Needed/Combine Masses/Merge is a Work in Progress (23 mentions);
2. Building Needs Improvements (19 mentions);
3. Communications (7 mentions).

Interviewees, for the most part, expressed sadness that the merger has created division within the community. The charisms of hospitality and welcoming may be present but there is a perceived lack of unity. Parishioners long for more interaction, more dialogue and more acceptance among the current members.

The second most mentioned area for improvement was repair of the buildings. Since this Study is testing the level of support people will give toward the projects listed, it actually makes this a strength that people see a great value and need to repair the buildings.

Communications was mentioned both specifically and indirectly throughout the interviews as an area to improve. Internal communications reflected overlap of events and meetings because there is no master calendar. Inconsistency of announcements at different Masses was also noted.

However, communications was also bundled as marketing and public relations meaning people feel there should be a plan for external communications to invite others to come and experience St. Vincent's.

When asked "Do you agree with the plans proposed?" - 37 (80%) agree; 9 (20%) agree with reservations and no one disagreed. Those who agree with reservations to the plan have concerns about the cost, whether enough due diligence has gone into choosing contractors and the financial capability of the parishioners. There are also as many people who want air conditioning as there are those who definitely do not want it.

Interviewers discussed the historical reality of the importance of major level gifts to a campaign and reviewed with each participant a range of gifts needed to reach the goal of \$1 million. In the Major level there were only two pledges. In the Leadership level there were 13 pledges. Combined, 15 (33%) of the 46 interviews noted Major/Leadership level gifts. We look for 50% to 60%, making this response very low.

LCDC consultants suggest that there is a tentative potential for St. Vincent de Paul Parish to raise \$400,000. It is tentative because some responses were made with conditions; specifically, a few interviewees want the rest of the work of the roof to go out to bid to at least two other companies, assuring that there has been 'due diligence' and all options have been considered for the appropriate cost of the roof.

Regardless of what money is needed to complete the project, the Capital Campaign goal must be achievable. If that goal reached will still not cover the costs, people need to know if the parish will borrow money and how they will carry the debt service. If there are other philanthropic sources, it would be best to secure them before announcing the targeted goal.

A Capital Campaign could be an energizing force to hurdle obstacles expressed in this Study. Working together towards a common cause could be a spiritual and unifying experience – and also raise money. There are many circumstances at St. Vincent's that would not make the traditional Capital Campaign strategy viable. The distance people must travel to get to the church and the age of many of the current leaders would suggest a non-traditional Campaign strategy may be more appropriate for St. Vincent de Paul Parish. A Capital Campaign is about building relationships, communicating and working together to accomplish a common goal. Done successfully, a Campaign can do far more than raise money. All efforts must be directed to accomplish all these goals.

Lynn Cummings Development Consultants recommends cautiously proceeding with a Capital Campaign and our recommendations for success are listed in Chapter 4 – Closing Remarks and Recommendations.

Immigration Demographics in Pennsylvania

2013 - U.S. born: 12 million
Foreign born: 800,000

Change between 2000 and 2013 for foreign born: 56%
1990-2000: 37%

Foreign born by origin: Europe 170,000
Asia: 311,000 (China 67,000; India 71,000; Korea 30,000)
Africa: 65,000
Latin America: 232,600 (Mexico 56,000)

Nationally, Mexicans are 58% of total 11.2 million (Pew)

Removals (deportations) have more than doubled over the past decade, reaching almost 400,000 in fiscal 2009. Mexicans are the majority of deportees for at least the past decade. In 2009, more than 70% of deportees were Mexican, according to the Department of Homeland Security (Pew).

A nationwide survey by the Pew Research Center in October 2010 found that registered voters are split (46% to 46%) about whether to amend the Constitution to end birthright citizenship.

In 2010, 5.2% of U.S. labor force was undocumented, or 1 in 20 workers.

Pennsylvania 2012 census: 170,000 undocumented, or 1.3% of total population and 1.7% of labor force.

- 21% of all Pennsylvania immigrants are undocumented
- 23% of all undocumented immigrants are Mexican (my estimate: 37,000)

Seven states where undocumented population grew from 2009 on:

Florida, Maryland, New Jersey, Pennsylvania, Virginia, Idaho, and Nebraska.

Pew 2014: 62% of undocumented immigrants have been in the US more than a decade.

Brookings Institution (2006)

- Among its peers, metropolitan Philadelphia has the largest and fastest growing immigrant population, which now stands at over 500,000, comprising 9 percent of the population. Between 2000 and 2006, greater Philadelphia's immigrant population grew by 113,000, nearly as many as had arrived in the decade of the 1990s.
- Metropolitan Philadelphia has a diverse mix of immigrants and refugees from Asia (39 percent), Latin America and the Caribbean (28 percent), Europe (23 percent) and Africa (8 percent). The 10 largest source countries are Mexico, China, Dominican Republic, India, Guatemala, Brazil, Ecuador, Viet Nam, and El Salvador.
- Immigrant growth in suburban Philadelphia has outpaced the city's growth, but numerically, the city still has the largest population of all local jurisdictions. Outside the city, Montgomery County had the earliest post- World War II suburban settlement of the foreign born and has the largest number of immigrants among jurisdictions, while Chester County saw the fastest growth during the 1970-2006 time period.
- Nearly 60 percent of the foreign-born living in metropolitan Philadelphia arrived in the United States after 1990. Although their naturalization rates and educational levels reflect their recent arrival, on the whole, greater Philadelphia's immigrants are doing well on these measures as compared with some other U.S. metropolitan immigrant populations.
- Nearly 75 percent of greater Philadelphia's labor force growth since 2000 is attributable to immigrants. Immigrants' contributions to the labor force are considerably higher in this period than in the 1990s, when just 36 percent of the growth was due to immigrants.
- A long history of immigration to Philadelphia stalled in the mid-20th century and the region became nearly entirely native born. In the past 15 years, however, immigration is emerging again as a prominent feature of life in the region. The varied immigrant groups—high-skilled professionals, refugees, and laborers from a diverse set of origin countries — bring both opportunities and challenges for policy makers, service providers, and communities throughout greater Philadelphia.

Foreign Born In Pennsylvania by County

Philadelphia	186,900
Montgomery County	78,000
Allegheny County	61,000
Delaware County	62,000
Bucks County	51,000

Data gathered from Brookings Institution, Pew Research Center and Center for Migration Studies. October 2015. Presented with permission.

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Your brother in Christ,

Fr. Sy



In Madagascar, the Vincentian priests and brothers are hoping to set up a program that helps children with disabilities. Many of these children are orphans, because their families see no hope for them, so they abandon them. This program will develop a forestry program in which the children will be trained and through the growing and selling of trees. This will provide for their basic needs and give hope to these orphans and children with disabilities. Cost \$13,000



CHAD



In Chad, Thank you for all that you have done in building schools and helping build their first church in the Vincentian parish. They have worked hard in building their church, but could use help with furnishing (altar, pews, lectern, etc.) To finish this project, they need only \$7,500.



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ETHIOPIA

In Ethiopia, a Vincentian priest is building two small homes for widows and their children. Because of the severe draught and extreme poverty there, they need our help. The cost for these two homes is only \$3,500. *Please show mercy and give hope.*



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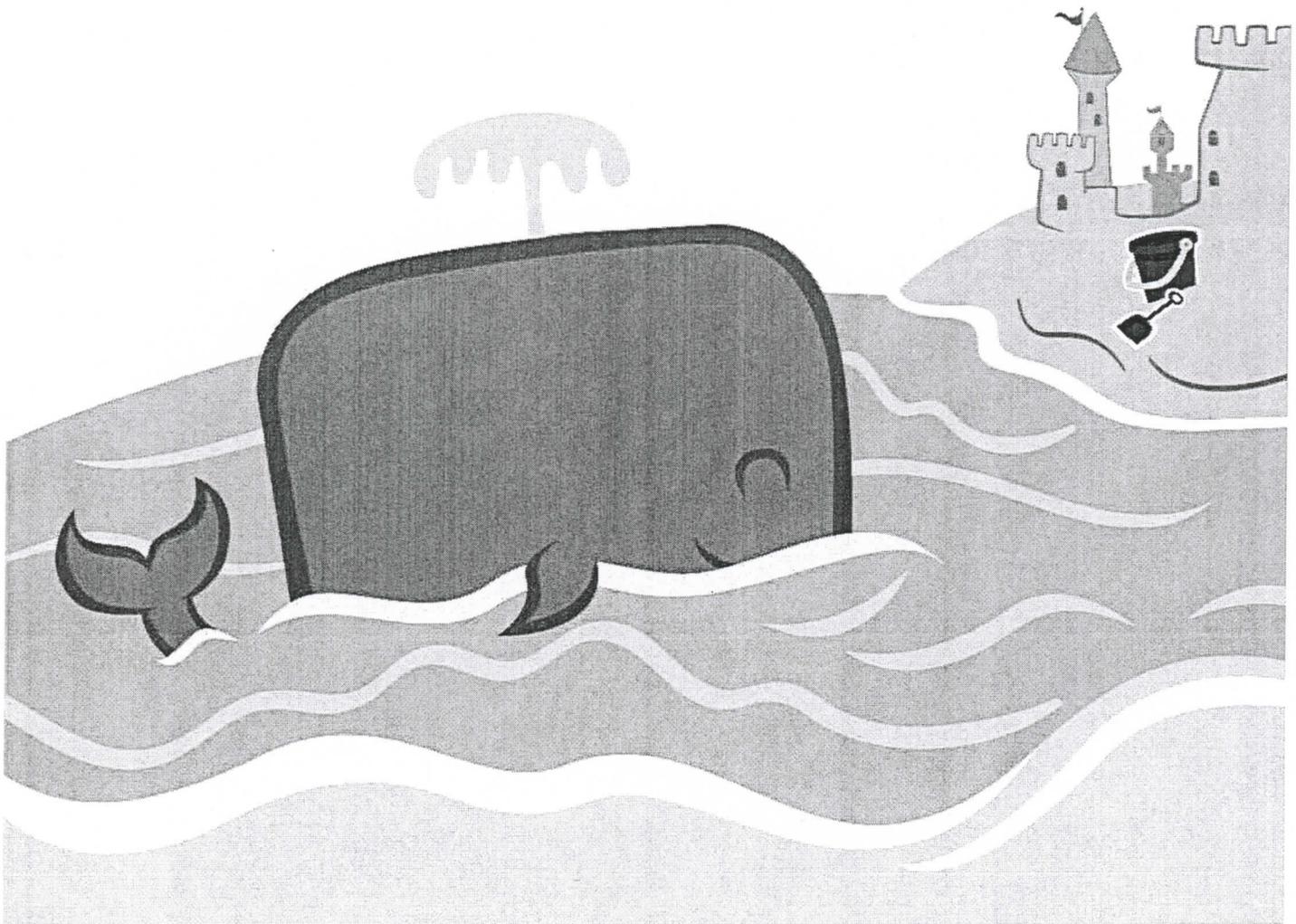
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Prison Healthcare and Reentry Summit
Wednesday, June 15 / 8:00 AM - 5:00PM
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LET US PRAY...

O Lord our God, in the name of our Daughters and Sisters of Nigeria we come to you on bended knee in prayer. In the heat of this day, suffering and hardship has visited young ones and we beg you, almighty Father, Son and Holy Spirit to bring forth release and mercy on those who have been captured, sold and raped. Reverse O Lord, the spirit of the captors. Restore O Lord, the hope of these young innocent girls and bring Recovery to them and their families. Relieve the injured and Redeem O Lord, this situation and drench it with Your love and mercy. We remember O Lord, how You set the captives free in Egypt and how You carved a way to freedom by splitting the waters of the Red Sea. We remember, O Lord how Your mighty hand brought David out of the lion's den and we ask You, O Lord to do the same for our dear young Sisters and Daughters. We come to You this day, knowing the fullness of Your amazing grace which makes a way out of no way. We thank You O Lord for what You can do and will do in Jesus' name- Amen



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