St. Vincent De Paul Church

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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Parish Staff

- ♦Sylvester Peterka, C.M.
- Pastor, Ext. #218
- ♦ Joseph Cummins, C.M.

Parochial Vicar, Ext #220

- ♦ Valerie Lee-Jeter
- ♦Darin P. Williams

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♦ JoAnn O'Connor

Bookkeeper, Ext. #229

♦ Evelyn Rogers

Parish Social Ministry

215-438-1514

♦Corbin Gardner & Grace Yi

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♦Dan Kraning & Katie Crump

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♦ Inn Dwelling

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♦ My Place Germantown

Jeffrey Williamson Executive Director js@myplacegermantown.org

215-763-6387

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

	MASS INTENTIONS FOR T	HIS WEEK
SUN	11/27 Bill Ring	9:00 am
MON	Pamela MacDonald	11:00 am
TUE	11/28 _{NO MASS} 11/29 William Hollenbach	7:00 am
WED	11/30 Miraculous Medal	7:00 pm
THU	12/01 Miraculous Medal	7:00 am
FRI	12/02 Miraculous Medal	7:00 am
SAT	12/03 Frances Fox	4:00pm

THIS WEEK'S CALENDAR

SUN First Sunday of Advent
SAT Sacrament of Penance 3-3:30 pm

FOR THIS WE PRAY Parishioners

Muriel Ancrum, Patricia Banmiller, Bernadette Barry, Katherine Elliott, Tom Weir, Anoah 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, Nan Wade, Betsy Moore, Vince Morgan, Gerry Widmann, Kay Harty, Mary Lynn Kraft, Darryl Carroll, Natalie Gianetti, Arlene Myers, Betty Barnett, Annie Serious, Mark Rogers.

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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	3,537.63
Electronic	2,972.00.
Total	6,509.63
Tithe	325.48

Today's Readings

First Reading:
Psalm:
Second Reading:
Gospel:

Isaiah 2:1-5
Psalm 122
Romans 13:11-44
Matthew 24:37-44

Readings for Next Week

First Reading: Isaiah 11:1-10
Psalm: Psalm 72
Second Reading: Romans 15:4-9
Gospel: Matthew 3:1-12

Monday: Is 4:2-6; Ps 122:1-9; Mt 8:5-11

Tuesday: Is 11:1-10; Ps 72:1-2, 7-8, 12-13, 17; Lk 10:21-24
Wednesday: Rom 10:9-18; Ps 19:8-11; Mt

4:18-22

Thursday: Is 26:1-6; Ps 118:1, 8-9, 19-21,

25-27a; Mt 7:21, 24-27

Friday: Is 29:17-24; Ps 27:1, 4, 13-14;

Mt 9:27-31

Saturday: Is 30:19-21, 23-26; Ps 147:1-6;

Mt 9:35-10:1, 5a, 6-8

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 & Min-istry, (Including each group's Art & Culture) and by... Supporting actions for justice.

YOUTH MINISTRY MEETING

We invite you to come for fellowship in Christ with your peers in the Hospitality Center behind the church. Youth group is open to youth in grades 6-12. Youth Group meeting will be on **December 4**. For more information, email Dan and Katie at: youthministry@saint-vincent-church.org.

LECTORS

As the new liturgical year approaches, it's time for new books to reflect on God's Word through the lectionary! After each weekend Mass, books are on sale. The Lector Workbook is \$12, and "At Home with the Word" is \$10: A treasure to read and pray with throughout the year!

EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS

Children's Liturgy of the Word (CLOW) have made greeting cards and pictures for parish homebound. This makes a special connection for the homebound and the children. Cards are located in the rectory dining room, in a box marked "Artwork for Homebound Parishioners". Please take one when you visit.

LEGION OF MARY

Legion of Mary meets Wednesdays at 1:30pm in the rectory.

SENIORS MINISTRY

We are meeting for fun, food and fellowship in the Hospitality Center on Wednesdays at 11:00am. Any questions, call Jerry Smith at (215) 508-0427.

RCIA

are you interested in becoming Catholic? Sign-up sheets are in the back of the church, if you would like more information.

HOSPITALITY

Please join us for hospitality provided by the community after the 9am Mass in the Hospitality center. You can sign up to help as an individual, family or group on the bulletin board by the side entrance. Volunteers buy donuts, OJ and milk and are reimbursed. All other items are provided in the Center's cabinet. Please arrive early to make coffee prior to Mass. All items are sold for fifty cents. Questions? Call Jack DiFeo 215 287-5682.

SOCKS FOR THE HOMELESS!

DePaul Catholic 7th graders are collecting NEW socks. Let's try to help them! Look for the nicely wrapped "Sock Box" in church. Drop off a pair or two of NEW socks. The socks will benefit a program called "Joy of Sox" which provides new socks for the homeless. www.joyofsox.org. Thanks for all your help!



HELP NEEDED

Our Evangelization Team and DePaul Catholic have teamed up to offer an afterschool course, called "Walk with Jesus" one day a week, after school (2pm until 3:15pm). We are now teaching one class of 18 students, K-2, on Wednesday but would like to expand this program since there is a 59 student waiting list to get in. If you would be interested in teaching your faith to "little ones" for one hour a week, please sign up in the back of the church, on the list called "Walk with Jesus".

POWER UPDATE

Over 25 parishioners helped boost voter turnout in Germantown and across the region by knock-ing on doors and making calls. POWER-wide, these contacts added up, and we hope will help us to show policy makers that we are serious about getting more and more Philadelphia-area residents involved in issues that matter to families: Better-funded schools, higher minimum wages, and criminal justice reform. THANK YOU to all!

Curious about POWER? Much planning is going on now re/responding to the new post-election "landscape" for the issues that matter to people who are struggling. Watch for a St Vincent's POWER meeting in December. For more info, contact Terri Burgin (215-651-0100) or Mary Laver (610-324-9388).

WHAT is R.U.M.?

The mission of the Reconciliation & Unity Ministry (RUM) is to foster our "becoming One Body of Christ" as a parish community where all are welcome—across races, generations, sexual orientations, countries of origin, and Mass preferencesto encounter Christ's loving presence in each other. RUM began in the aftermath of the national trauma generated by the death of Michael Brown in Ferguson in 2014, when Fr Sy invited a diverse group of parishioners to come together to reflect on what our times called us to be and do as a parish community. In its first two years, RUM initiated the Pew Conversations to encourage dialogue among parishioners about the meaning of the Gospel for our lives. RUM also launched Movie Nights, bringing us together to think about pressing and potentially divisive issues like racism, homophobia, and immigration. But RUM's main purpose is not to start new programs but to encourage our many ministries—from liturgy to social justice to use "becoming One" as a central guide for their work. RUM members commit to meeting together monthly and following up on "homework" that arises between meetings, to talk, plan or collaborate with members of other ministries or external groups about ideas raised in RUM. Parishioners are welcome to talk with Fr Sy or any RUM ministry members to find out more, and to consider joining us!

TIME OF PREPARATION

This life is the time of our preparation for our future state. Our souls will continue for ever what we make them in this world.

Saint Vincent de Paul Parish Registration Form

Thanks for being here! If you would like to become an ACTIVE member of St. Vincent De Paul Parish (full-time or part-time), we invite you to **complete the Parish Registration form below.**

Date	Envelope number	
Name		
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Cell		
Email		
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Bulletin Deadline: Mondays by noon. Email to secretary@saint-vincent-church.org

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		
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Please debit my checking account per <u>attached</u> <u>voided check</u> . (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:		

General Intercessions ~ First Sunday of Advent November 27, 2016 4:00 & 9:00 Masses

Today we begin the Season of Advent, a season of quiet hope. As we give ourselves to this holy time, may God take flesh in each of us, in our community, and in our world.

We stand in a time of national and global tension. May our leaders and every citizen strive to build God's kingdom by turning swords into plowshares, and spears into pruning hooks.

During this Thanksgiving weekend we remember the many blessings of our lives. May we be present in the moment, with hearts steeped in gratitude and overflowing in generosity.

We are mindful today of those who are traveling, as well as those missing family or friends this year. May all reach their destinations in safety, and find comfort in the hospitality of God's people.

As the Month of All Souls draws to a close, we lift up the dear ones now gone from our sight. May they know the fulfillment of God's promise in everlasting joy.

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ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR NOVEMBER 26TH & 27TH, 2016

ADVENT: PREPARE THE WAY OF THE LORD!!!

GIVING TREE is coming soon. Please plan now to help our partners in ministry.

DEPAUL CATHOLIC SCHOOL:

Thank you for your support of DePaul Catholic School's teachers through our Beef & Beer benefit on November 18th, with 120 wonderful persons in attendance. Gina Trice received the Spirit of St. Vincent de Paul Award for her dedicated service of nearly 14 years teaching at the school.

DePaul students have made Christmas cards and for every gift of \$20, we will send you a pack of 10 cards to give to family and friends. Please go to www.depaulphila.org for purchase or call Kelly Bielby at 215-842-1266.

<u>HELP FOR SENIORS</u>: Are you or aging relatives preparing for senior living transitions? There is a free educational workshop offered by Maplewood Rehabilitation Center. Please sign up in the back.

THERE IS MAIL IN THE OFFICE FOR THE FOLLOWING PEOPLE (inside the office door, to the left, on the board):

Bruce Marshall

Wylie Turner

Patricia Steward

Crystal Pinckney

Loretta Miller

Anna Tumulty

NEW CONTACT INFORMATION: We have new email addresses for the following:

Directors of Religious Education- dre@saint-vincent-church.org

Youth Ministry- youthministry@saint-vincent-church.org

For Baptism, Confirmation, Marriage, Genealogy Information-

records@saint-vincent-church.org

For Bulletin Announcements- bulletin@saint-vincent-church.org

Deadline for bulletin is Monday, by 8am.

For Flyers and Other Inserts for the Bulletin-

secretary@saint-vincent-church.org

Deadline is Wednesday, by noon.



donuts at DePaul

Thursday, December 15, 2016

9 a.m. - 11 a.m.

44 W. Logan Street, Philadelphia, PA 19144

A candid meet and greet tour and discussion about DePaul; where we're been and where we're going.

All of our students can tell you - & show you! - our school values:

Faith = We believe in God

Honor = We do the right thing

Initiative = We get things started

Perseverance = We never give up

Community = We work together

Come and meet our student scholars and witness DePaul's 5 values at work! Meet our student scholars and see what they are learning. Meet our teachers and how they strive above and beyond for students. Meet our leadership team and their vision for moving DePaul forward.

REGISTRATION IS NOW OPEN!!

Spring 2017 Semester

St. Charles Borromeo Seminary - School of Theological Studies (STS)

Certificate in Pastoral Ministry to Black Catholics (MBC) – Master of Arts Degree. Scholarship applications are available through the Martin de Porres Foundation at www.martindeporresfoundation.org or contact your Pastor/DRE.

Deadline to register is Friday, December 30, 2016

Courses will begin January 17, 2017

<u>Spring 2017 Courses</u> - For registration information and additional courses - Go to <u>www.scs.edu</u>. Need further assistance: call 610-785-6287.

Mondays 6:30PM – 9:30PM STS 101 Old Testament

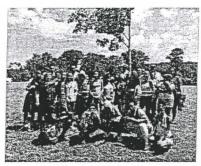
Tuesdays 6:30PM – 9:30PM STS 401 Church History

North Bay Retreat 2016

St. Ignatius of Loyola By Cameron Coles

I have been a member of St. Ignatius Church for 15 years and part of the TLC youth group for 2 years. This was my second time going to North Bay Camp or Jesus camp as we call it.

Now, North Bay is an experience that in no way can be put into words, but I am going to try my best. This retreat is exciting, nerve racking, fun, blood rushing, spirit raising, holy and new. When you go to North Bay you are totally separate from the outside world. I mean there's like four spots in the place where you can make a call or text and don't get me started about the Wi-Fi. None of that is important anyway. The activities like small groups, the 20 minutes of silence outdoors and even mattress wars, bond every teen no matter what their background is and I think that is very special.



Lastly, North Bay will bring you closer to God than you have ever been. At this isolated holy fortress, as I call it, I can honestly say it washes away your worries at the threshold. All those distractions and obstacles that get in the way of feeling His presence are eliminated and you just feel him enter you. You connect with God in every Mass and especially in adoration. Adoration is just the cherry on the top besides the special themed party, of

course. But, honestly adoration drags the tears from your eyes and you just break down and give yourself a way to him and I felt that this year. I didn't cry

or anything but every struggle that I had and sin that I did or thought about doing ran through my head. It's almost as if God was telling me to stay strong in faith which I am prevailing in. I now can say I am closer to God and I want to thank the *Martin de Porres Foundation*, from the very pit of my heart for every penny that was donated to our cause to help my group go on this journey and I look forward to next year. May God, Bless you.

MARK YOUR CALENDAR

Open House and Christmas Concert

<u>Date: Sunday, December 4th at 1:00 pm</u> Location: St. Charles Borromeo Seminary 100 E. Wynnewood Road, Wynnewood, PA

- Campus Tours
- Stay for the Christmas Concert at 4:00 pm Christmas concert featuring Seminary choir and musicians
- International Christmas crèche display
 This event is free and open to the public

SAVE THE DATE

REV. MARTIN LUTHER KING JR. PRAISE & WORSHIP JANUARY 16, 2017

MANUPPHILLY - MARCH 4, 2017

THE AREA'S LARGEST MEN'S SPIRITUALITY CONFERENCE. To register for this year's Conference visit: ManUpPhilly.com/registration.

Early Bird	Sale End: 12	2-31-16	Price: \$40	Fee:\$1.99
Normal Re	g	3-1-17	\$50	\$2.24
Student Re	g	3-4-17	\$25	\$1.62
Late Reg	Not	started	\$55	\$2.37

The Bulletin and Beyond

Building a Parish Communications Plan for the 21st Century. Date: Friday, February 10, 2017 – 9:00 am – 12:30pm
Location: St. Charles Borromeo Seminary – College Auditorium. 100 E. Wynnewood, Rd. Wynnewood, PA
Speak: Matthew Warner, founder and CEO of Flocknote.
The workshop is designed to be relevant, whether your parish uses – or plans to use – Flocknote & whether you are tech-savvy! \$20 pp Includes morning refreshments. To register: phillyevang.org/events

This half-day workshop will cover the essential elements of modern parish communication, including:

- Simple ways to update the way you communicate without breaking your budget
- Crafting your message so it gets noticed & increases engagement

National Black Catholic Congress XII Date: Thursday, July 6, 2017 to Sunday July 9,2017

Location: Hyatt Regency Orlando 9801 International Drive, Orlando, FL 32819 Registration Fee: Adults - \$295/ Youths - \$150 Hotel Registration Fee: Single/Double/Triple, Quad \$125 + tax per room – per night.

www.orlando.regency.hyatt.com http://nbccongress.org/events/default.asp#lampstand

Contact your Pastor/DRE about the Martin de Porres Foundation funding.

Prayers of the Faithful Thanksgiving Day November 24, 2016

As we gather to give thanks, we pray for a world where all people will have access to the earth's bounty.

As we gather to give thanks we pray for the success of the New Sanctuary's outreach to engage congregations and individuals to support their efforts on behalf of immigrants.

As we gather to give thanks, we are grateful for the generous response of our parish to the Capital Campaign, and pray that our community will continue to give of its treasure and talent.

As we gather to give thanks we pray for our dining room guests and ask blessings on those who prepare and serve their food.

As we gather to give thanks, we pray for all our families, especially those in need of healing, whose Thanksgiving table is missing the presence of a cherished loved one.

As we gather to give thanks, we pray for the sick in our hospitals and nursing homes, that they be remembered and comforted by loving care providers. We pray for those who have died that they may know the fullness of God's blessings.

Mary Ellen Graham Peg McFadden

MINISTRY SUNDAY

Below are the names, contact and locations of meeting for many Ministries offered at St. Vincent De Paul.

Please feel free to contact or attend any of the many organizations, as all are looking for members.

Further description, of a Ministry, is located on the posters in church.

Celebration Ministries

Alter Servicers Mike Weyand - mcweyand@comcast.net

Art & Environment - formerly Church Decorating

Julie Kring - 215-519-7805 - kringschreifels@verizon.net

Cantors Valerie Lee-Jeter - Tuesdays at 7:30 pm

Contemporary Choir Valerie Lee-Jeter - Tuesdays at 7:30 pm

Gospel Choir Darin Williams - 610-931-4212 -

darinoms@aol.com - Wednesdays, 7 pm, Chapel

Eucharist Ministers Jim Weiss - 215-848-4276

weissj12@verizon.net

Visiting Eucharist Ministers Barbara Carey

215-266-2264 - BJMCarey@gmail.com

Eucharistic Bread Bakers

Jim Weiss - 215-848-4276

weissj12@verizon.net

Gesture Ministry

Mary Ann Delaplane

Liturgy Dancers

Barbara Boyle

Lay Leaders of Prayer Sheila Sharpe - shesharpe@yahoo.com

Lectors Mary Laver - 610-324-9388;

Vi Shenkman - 215-635-0278

C.L.O.W. - (Children's Liturgy of the Word)

Corbin Gardner - 641-226-7200; Grace Y. - 808-343-8306

dre@saint-vincent-church.org

Liturgy Committee Mike Weyand - mcweyand@comcast.net;

Christopher Bolton - okragalore@gmail.com

Writers of Petitions Ministry Peg McFadden

pegmcfadden@hotmail.com

Liturgy Coordinators Jim Weiss - 215-848-4276

weissj12@verizon.net

Ushers Tony Gillian - battchief99@hotmail.com

Van Drivers Gary Sylvester

Veronica Ministry Bernadette Crownin Gellar

bernlawr2729@verizon.net

Gathering Ministries

Bible Study Group

Jerry Gionish; Fr. Sy - 215-438-2925

R.U.M. - (Reconciliation & Unity Ministry)

Chris Newsome Bolton - <u>okragalore@gmail.com</u>; Sharon Browning - <u>sbrowning@justlistening.net</u>

RCIA - (Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults) - Diane Zeig

Parish Social Ministry Evelyn Rogers - 215-438-1514

Seniors Ministry Jerry Smith - 215-508-0427

Youth and Young Adult Ministry
Dan Kranig - 410-299-3191;
Katie Crump - 267-972-4444

More on Back

Hosting Ministries

Bereavement Ministry

Lynn Lewis - 215-849-8934

Hospitality Ministry

Jack Difeo for 9 mass; Lynn Lewis for 11 mass

Outreach Ministries

Evangelization Ministry Sheila Sharpe - shesharpe@yahoo.com

Health Ministry

Barbara Carey - 215-266-2264

BJMCarey@gmail.com

Prison Ministry & Re-Entry Program

Timothy Lyons & Laura Ford - 267-335-5455

Pro-Life Union Liz & Mike Bergen - 215-944-4574

lizbergen@verizon.net

Administrative Assistance **Ministries**

Collection Counters

Kitty Interfraj

- 276-325-6162

Counting Ministry

Robin Smith

- 215-508-0427

Office Volunteers

Tiffany Donn

- 215-438-2925

Website Ministry

Geoff Beatty

geoff@germantownstudios.com

Social Justice Ministries

New Sanctuary Movement

Paul Witte - 267-237-6683

pwwitte@hotmail.com

Peace & Justice

Doug Popora - 267-549-2364

POWER

Mary Laver - 610-324-9388;

Terry Burgies - 215-605-7931

Associate Ministries

Face to Face

Mary Kay Meeks-Hank - 215-849-0179 or

267-566-8402 - facetofacegermantown.org

Inn Dwelling

Brother Al & Sr. Rosemarie Jefferson

215-438-2195-2195 - inndwelling.org

Knights of Columbus

Wiley Redding - 610-733-0370

wlredding21@gmail.com

Legion of Mary

Sharon Fisher - 215-438-8602

My Place Germantown

Jeffrey Williamson - 215-763-6387

js@myplacegermantown.org

PAR-Recycle Works

Timothy Lyons & Laura Ford

267-335-5455 - Par-recycleworks.org

Society of St. Vincent De Paul

Liz Bergen - 215-944-4574

lizbergen@verizon.net

St. Vincent de Paul Music Ministry Presents:

"All Are Welcome"

A CD featuring the music of our combined choirs and an original composition by our own, Darin Williams.



Now YOU can sing along with the choir!



COST: \$15 - Available Dec. 4

*This will make a GREAT Christmas gift!

***There will be a **CONCERT** featuring the music from the CD on SUNDAY, DEC 4 at 3PM at St. Vincent's church (in the church).

Please put the form below in an envelope CLEARLY marked "Music CD". You may place it in the collection basket or give it to a member of music ministry.

ALL PROCEEDS WILL GO TO ST. V MUSIC MINISTRY AND THE CAPITAL CAMPAIGN.

Name:	
Email or phone #	
# of CD's ordered:	(\$15 per CD)
Amount enclosed: \$	
Checks made payable to St. Vin	acent de Paul Church

MADAGASCAR

My Dear Friends,

Because of your mercy, compassion and generosity, you have brought *HOPE* to the Church in Africa. I know in this *YEAR OF MER-CY* that I will have your support and prayers.

Thank you! Thank you! Thank you for all you have sacrificed and for your generous spirit that has and continues to bring HOPE in Africa.

This year, we have some very exciting ways in which you can help bring God's love, hope and mercy to the poor in Africa.

Please pray for the success of these projects. Thank you in advance for all you do. Please live mercy and give generously, so we can help complete these projects; *GIVING MERCY AND HOPE TO THE POOR IN AFRICA*. If you have any questions about this appeal or would like to consider a bequest, feel free to contact me at (410) 371-0627 or frsy7@hotmail.com.

Please make all checks payable to "CON-GREGATION OF THE MISSION-AFRI-CA". Be assured of my prayers and the prayers of hundreds of Vincentians priests, brothers and seminarians in Africa.

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.





African

Appeal for Hope

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Pope Francis

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Who We Are

- One of the largest international organizations of Catholic women in the world, dedicated to strengthening our spiritual life through Christ and His Church
- Founded in 1903 by the Knights of Columbus in Utica, New York
- Currently organized in 41 states, Puerto Rico, Virgin Islands, Mexico and Guam
- Catholic lay and religious women, 18 years or older, who love and support the Church and wish to participate in social and charitable activities
- Junior Catholic Daughters of the Americas (JCDA), our national youth program for girls ages 6-18, was founded in 1926
- Campus Courts have been established in many colleges and universities for students to enjoy membership in CDA





What We Do

- ♣ Enhance spiritual life
- Support the Holy Father, Bishops and Clergy
- ❖ Encourage vocations to the religious life
- Build homes in partnership with Habitat for Humanity
- ♣ Participate in Right to Life activities
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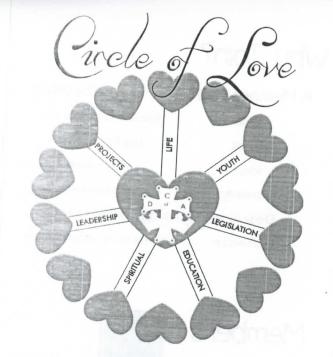


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Mission Statement

The purposes of the organization are to participate in the religious, charitable and educational Apostolates of the Church. Catholic Daughters of the Americas engages in creative and spiritual programs which provide its members with the opportunity to develop their God-given talents in meaningful ways that positively influence the welfare of the Church and all people throughout the world.

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Our National Program

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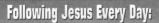
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O Lord our God, in the name of our Daughters and Sisters of Nigeria we come to you on bended knee in prayer. In the heat of this day, suffering and hardship has visited young ones and we beg you, almighty Father, Son and Holy Spirit to bring forth 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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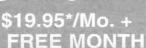
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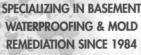
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