

# 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.*

**The DePaul Catholic School, An Independent Mission School**  
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**Eucharistic Celebration ♦ Saturday 4pm, Sunday 9 & 11am**  
**Sacrament of Reconciliation ♦ Please call for an appointment.**

November 4, 2018

**MASS INTENTIONS FOR THIS WEEK**

<b>SUN</b>	<b>11/04</b>	Laura Woods	<b>9:00 am</b>
		Julius King	<b>11:00 am</b>
<b>MON</b>	<b>11/05</b>	NO MASS	
<b>TUE</b>	<b>11/06</b>	Frank & Maria Meloni	<b>7:00 am</b>
<b>WED</b>	<b>11/07</b>	Miraculous Medal	<b>7:00 am</b>
<b>THU</b>	<b>11/08</b>	Miraculous Medal	<b>7:00 am</b>
<b>FRI</b>	<b>11/09</b>	Miraculous Medal	<b>7:00 am</b>
<b>SAT</b>	<b>11/10</b>	Miraculous Medal	<b>4:00pm</b>

**THIS WEEK'S  
CALENDAR**

<b>SUN</b>	<b>Thirty First Sunday Ordinary Time</b>
<b>SAT</b>	<b>Sacrament of Penance 3-3:30 pm</b>

**FOR THIS WE PRAY**

**Parishioners**

Muriel Ancrum, Patricia Banmiller, Bernadette Barry, William Drinker, Judith Di Battista, Donna Jean Cocchia, Leo Johnson, Patricia Judge, Pat Burton, Thomas Baumann, Dick Taylor, Ginny Witte, Edna Poole, Nan Wade, Vince Morgan, Kay Harty, Mary Lynn Kraft, Arlene Myers, Betty Barnett, Annie Serious, Joey Gavin, Barbara Adams, Bertha Allen, Fran Rigler, Evangelina Aberin, Marie Coln, Helen Green, Br. Al Smith, Ronald Rigler, Sr. Rosemarie Jefferson.

**Friends of St. Vincent's**

Caitlyn Graham, Sister Michael Anthony Mugan, Claire Wesolowski, Wanda Johnson, Robert Myers, Carol Holloway, Lillian Elliott, Jeanette Ingersoll, Minerva Ortiz, Cathy Schofield, Dara Hefton, Shirley Smith, Christopher Mills, Johanna Moreno, Richard Piedra, Minerva Ortiz, Mattie Robinson, Mike Hlywski, Jack Weinberg, Titilope Oluwo, Theresa Kelley, Sandra Friday, Joe Gnadt, Minerva & Angelito Ortiz, Mattie Robinson, NaJearah Smith, Tom Stevens, baby Nicholas Esposito. Our Sister Parish, Las Anonas de Santa Cruz, El Salvador.

**Note: If we removed anyone from the old list who still need our prayers or if there is someone you want to receive prayers, please call the rectory office.**

**PASTORAL CARE**

We bring the Eucharist to those unable to attend Mass regularly due to sickness or infirmity. Please call the Rectory.

Last Week's Collection	2,911.60
Electronic	3,250.00.
Total	6,161.60
Tithe	308.08

***Today's Readings***

First Reading: Deuteronomy 6:2-6  
Psalm: Psalm 18  
Second Reading: Hebrews 7:23-29  
Gospel: Mark 12:28b-34

***Readings for Next Week***

First Reading: I Kings 17:10-16  
Psalm: Psalm 146  
Second Reading: Hebrews 9:24-28  
Gospel: Mark 12:38-44

Monday: Phil 2:1-4; Ps 131:1bcde-3;  
Lk 14:12-14  
Tuesday: Phil 2:5-11; Ps 22:26b-30ab,  
30e, 31-32; Lk 14:15-24  
Wednesday: Phil 2:12-18; Ps 27:1, 4,  
13-14; Lk 14:25-33  
Thursday: Phil 3:3-8a; Ps 105:2-7; Lk  
15:1-10  
Friday: Ez 47:1-2, 8-9, 12; Ps  
46:2-3, 5-6, 8-9; 1 Cor  
3:9c-11, 16-17; Jn 2:13-22  
Saturday: Phil 4:10-19; Ps 112:1b-2,  
5-6, 8a, 9; Lk 16:9-15

**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.

**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 - November 4-10, 2018

### OFFICIAL WELCOME TO FRs. JOSEPH AND BINDEL

Our African community would like to lead us in a Procession of Thanks for the safe arrival of our two young priests. The first will be at the **11am Mass on November 4**. The second will be at the **4pm Saturday Mass and 11am Sunday Mass, on November 10th and 11**. We will have a light reception for Frs. Joseph and Bindel after each of these Masses. Also in traditional "African" style, there will be a "Thanksgiving Procession" after communion for them. Please feel free to join the African Community in officially welcoming our two new dynamic priests. You may bring a small token of appreciation for Frs. Bindel and Joseph.

### LECTOR NOTES

Do you feel called to serve our worshiping community as a lector, proclaiming God's Word for all to hear at Mass? If so, consider becoming a lector! We are especially eager to welcome new parishioners and young people. A lector training will be scheduled in November. Contact Mary Laver (610-324-9388).

### CLOW - CHILDREN'S LITURGY OF THE WORD

Please have your children join us during the 9 and 11am Masses.

### RCIA

If you want to learn more about the Catholic faith or become Catholic, a new group starts soon. Sign up, in the back of the church.

### INTERCESSORY PRAYER CIRCLE

After each Mass, those wishing to pray for something specific or to pray for those with special needs can join our prayer circle which lasts 5 to 10 minutes. It will be led by our Lay Leaders of Prayer.

### BIBLE STUDY

We will journey through the Gospel of Matthew each **Wednesday from 7-8:30pm**. Please join us.

### HOSPITALITY

Join us for hospitality by the community after the 9am Mass in the Hospitality center. To volunteer, sign up on the bulletin board by the side entrance. Questions? Call Jack DiFeo 215 287-5682.

### LAY/INTERCESSORY OF PRAYER LEADERS NEEDED

Please consider joining this wonderful ministry to assist our community in reflection and prayer at Mass & to fully participate as Leaders in this spiritual experience! Contact Joan McGowan (267-879-7664/joaniemc223@comcast.net) to know more!

### "AT HOME WITH THE WORD"

Reserve your lector edition (\$12.00) and/or regular "At Home With the Word" (\$9.00): Joan McGowan (joaniemc223@comcast.net). Indicate # & specific book(s) you would like to reserve & your phone #. Pick-Up weekend of **October 27-28** (cash or check payable to St. Vincent de Paul Parish).

### CALLING ALL SENIORS

It's that time again! The Senior Ministry is meeting on Wednesdays. For more information or questions, call Jerry Smith 215-508-0427.

### PAR RECYCLE WORKS

Please deliver donations of old equipment to PAR RECYCLE WORKS 342 East Walnut Lane (267-335-5455) not the church.

### HEALING PRAYERS ARE NEEDED FOR:

FATHER JOE, BROTHER AL, and SISTER ROSEMARIE.

### The POWER of VOTING!

It's time to come together, everyone! When it's Sunday or a holy day, we go to church. When it's Thanksgiving, we come home. And when it's Election Day, we go to the POLLS, because voting is one way we can bring healing to our hurting world, one policy-change at a time! You've heard weekly "Reasons to Vote" from Sheila Oliver. Now here are 3 "Things you can do":

1- REMIND/ DRIVE YOUR FAMILY & FRIENDS: Call or visit anyone you know who needs a reminder (or a ride) to get to the polls on Tues Nov 6! Polls across PA are open 7 AM to 8 PM. If anyone is unsure where their polling place is, they can go to [www.votespa.com](http://www.votespa.com) (follow the prompts to enter your address, and your polling place will appear). Or call your county Board of Elections. For Phila County: 215-686-3469; 215-686-1591

2- VOLUNTEER: Help us call Germantown residents in these last few days to remind them to vote. Come to the rectory on time for a quick training! If you have a mobile phone and charger, please bring them. Call or text Mary Laver (610-324-9388) to sign up to "phone bank":

### Sun Nov 4, 1:00 to 3:30 PM

**Mon Nov 5: 3 to 5:15 PM** We'll end in time to board the bus leaving at 5:30 for the St Martin de Porres Mass. Light supper provided before we leave.

**Tues Nov 6: 10 AM to noon and 3 to 5 PM** This is Election Day so we'll give last-minute reminders to Germantown residents to get to the polls before 8 PM.

3-GERMANTOWN "ACTIVE VOTERS" MEETING: Join volunteers and voters from across Germantown on Thurs Nov 15 (7 to 8:30 PM) at First Presbyterian Church of Germantown. Agenda: (1) Celebrate our voter-booster volunteers (that's MANY of you at St Vincent's and other local congregations), and (2) listen for what active Germantown voters want to promote (and prevent) in our community. POWER will offer support on how we can build our strength in numbers!

**ANNUAL UNDER THE SAME MOON ARTISAN SALE** Sale is **Saturday, November 3 + Sunday, November 4** after ALL Masses to benefit Bendicion de Dios primary school in San Juan Alotenango, Guatemala, & St. Vincent's Capital Campaign.

### ST. VINCENT'S SHIRTS AND MUGS SALE

**November 3-4, November 10-11**, you can buy St. Vincent de Paul crew neck sweatshirts for \$20.00. Order forms available in pews & on tables at church entrance with forms and cash payment due to Joan McGowan by November 11 (to get delivery in time for the holidays!). **All profits benefit the 2019 Parish Retreat!**

**All Weekends from November 3-4 through December 22-23:** St. Vincent de Paul mugs are for sale for \$10.00 before & after most Masses. Great gift for any occasion!! **All profits benefit the 2019 Parish Retreat!**

### BUS TO MARTIN DE PORRES MASS

**Monday, November 5** at the Basilica, we will leave promptly at 5:30 pm and return immediately after the Mass.

**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 \_\_\_\_\_

last

first

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Date of Birth \_\_\_\_\_ Home Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Cell \_\_\_\_\_

Email \_\_\_\_\_

Full name and relationship of all resident family members

\_\_\_\_\_ DOB \_\_\_\_\_ Relationship \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ DOB \_\_\_\_\_ Relationship \_\_\_\_\_

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Have you received the Sacraments?

( ) Baptism ( ) Confirmation ( ) First Communion

Are you interested in

( ) Liturgical Ministry ( ) Service Ministry

(Can you sing, lector, teach....)

**Please place completed form in the Offeratory basket  
or send to the Parish Office and we will contact you.**

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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, contact JoAnn at [business@saint-vincent-church.org](mailto:business@saint-vincent-church.org).

Date \_\_\_\_\_ Envelope Number \_\_\_\_\_

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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:**

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## ***Petitions for week of Nov 1 & Nov 3-4***

11:00 Mass add “We pray to the Lord . . .”

- 1. Lord Jesus, we pray for those who have chosen to dedicate their lives to teaching your holy word. May they find the strength to persevere thru difficult, challenging times and find solace in knowing that you are there for them, always.*
- 2. Lord Jesus, we pray for all those aspiring to political office. We pray that you will keep them ever aware of the needs of the communities they are charged to serve: especially those who are marginalized, excluded, neglected, and impoverished.*
- 3. Lord Jesus, let our community be witnesses to the justice that is yours. Protect the Hebrew Immigrant Aid Society in all that they do for refugees around the world. Guide your people from the darkness of our everyday lives towards the light of human dignity, peace, and love.*
- 4. Lord Jesus, during this Black Catholic History Month, guide your church to look for you in all people of faith. Keep us mindful of our Black Saints and Popes, including St. Martin de Porres, Pope Saint Gelasius I, and St. Catherine of Alexandria. Help us follow in their footsteps.*
- 5. Lord Jesus, we pray for all those suffering from the darkness of violence in your Holy House in Pittsburg. May all who suffer the pain of losing family and friends find faith in knowing that their loved ones are looking into the face of God.*

***Sheila Sharpe  
Rickie Sanders***

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*The call of Jesus is meant to get into your mind, and then past your mind into your body, and then through your body into your life, into your most practical decisions.*

## **ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR NOVEMBER 3<sup>RD</sup> AND 4<sup>TH</sup>, 2018**

**STATEMENT OF ARCHBISHOP CHARLES J. CHAPUT, O.F.M. Cap. REGARDING SHOOTING AT PITTSBURGH SYNAGOGUE:** Religious and ethnic hatred is vile in any form, but the ugly record of the last century is a lesson in the special evil of anti-Semitism. That evil has not been stamped out. Rather, it has been resurgent in many areas of the world for the last several decades. It has no place in America, and especially in the hearts of Christians. I want to express the heartfelt support and prayers of Philadelphia's Catholic community, and my own, for the victims of the Pittsburgh synagogue attack and their families. May God give them courage and solace, and may this be a statewide wake-up call to resist religious hatred.

**BUS TO MARTIN DE PORRES MASS:** Monday, November 5<sup>th</sup>, at the Basilica. We will leave promptly at 5:30 pm and return immediately after the Mass. Please sign up.

**UNDER THE SAME MOON ARTISAN SALE:** This weekend, before and after all Masses. Cash, credit, personal checks accepted.

**ST. VINCENT DE PAUL CREW NECK SWEATSHIRTS:** We are selling sweatshirts for \$20. Order forms are available in pews and on tables at church entrance. Order forms with cash payment are due, to Joan McGowan, by November 11<sup>th</sup> (to get delivery in time for the holidays). All profits benefit the 2019 Parish Retreat.

**ST. VINCENT DE PAUL MUGS:** We are selling mugs for \$10, before and after most Masses. Great gift for any occasion!!! All profits benefit the 2019 Parish Retreat.

### **CONFIRMATION JOURNEYS:**

1. All Confirmandi and their parents are asked to attend either Friday, November 16<sup>th</sup>, from 6 pm until 8 pm or Saturday, November 17<sup>th</sup>, from 10 am until noon. Please plan on attending one of these.
2. All Confirmandi and their parents are asked to attend an Oxfam Hunger Banquet in our Hospitality Room, either Friday, November 30<sup>th</sup>, from 6 pm until 8 pm or Saturday, December 1<sup>st</sup>, from 5:30 pm until 7:30 pm.

**OXFAM HUNGER BANQUET:** All parishioners are invited to the Oxfam Hunger Banquets.

**SECOND COLLECTION:** This Sunday, it is for Homeless College Students. It is a project of DePaul USA.

**INTERFAITH COMMUNITY BUILDING GROUP:** Comprised primarily of people from St Vincent de Paul Church and Mishkon Shalom Synagogue, the group is going to San Juan, Puerto Rico, from February 14<sup>th</sup> to 21<sup>st</sup>, 2019 to help rebuild three houses. Skilled and unskilled volunteers are needed. Meals and housing will be provided by a United Methodist Church in San Juan. Approximate cost of trip is \$470 plus airfare. If you have any interest, call or email Joe Clay at 215-266-7256 or jvfc3@msn.com for additional information.

**"PLEASE PRAY FOR SICK" SECTION IN BULLETIN:** All friends of Vincent will be eliminated; since many have been in for two to five years. We will start a new list immediately. If you want someone on the prayer list, please contact the office with the names.

**Next week, we will officially welcome Fr. Joseph and Fr. Bindel with Africa Style Thanksgiving Processions at both the 4 pm Saturday Mass and the 9 am Sunday Mass. There will be light refreshments and a time to talk after each of these Masses.**

**Please keep Fr. Sy in prayer as he preaches a revival on Tuesday in Baltimore and Saturday for the Sisters of the Blessed Sacrament.**



# POWER

## STANDING WITH THE TREE OF LIFE SYNAGOGUE

We grieve the loss of our neighbors and fellow worshippers at Tree of Life Synagogue in Pittsburgh as we condemn, once again, the hate and gun violence tearing apart our communities. Our common enemies of white supremacy and white nationalism act as the fronts of a perfect storm surrounding those terrified by the oncoming waves of change and justice.

The resiliency of marginalized communities and our continued strides toward collective liberation terrifies those shielded by privilege and causes them to act violently encouraged by a President who encourages fear, hatred, and intimidation as appropriate forms of self-expression. These continued attacks on our communities are egregious forms of violence that impact our collective psyches, spirits, and systems as a whole. For centuries faith communities across the nation have experienced this kind of terror, where our churches, synagogues, and mosques have been bombed and our people killed, but time and time again we have fought back and won. Just as waves of hate are still ever so present, so is the resounding message that hate will not win. We refuse. What is meant to terrorize us, silence us, and intimidate us, has further affirmed our commitment to fighting for justice for all of God's people.

We cannot and will not stand by silently as hate manifests in any corner of our country. It is up to us to remember that each of us is a child of the Divine. It will be up to us to remember that we are one another's keeper and that we must stand in the breach between love and hate, between life and death. We are one. We are a community filled with people who look unmasked hate directly in the eye and boldly proclaim that it's time to boldly hold love over fear. Although we are heartbroken, we continue the faithful resistance against hate and pray for those who alienate themselves from love by dehumanizing our people.

Nothing about white nationalism flows from the heart of God. May we all say and live a resounding NO to any form of anti-Semitism, white supremacy, white nationalism, racism, bigotry, and discrimination.

So we mourn today but we fight tomorrow. We fight with boldness and courage until that day, as MLK said, where all God's children, black children and white children, Jews and Gentiles, Protestants and Catholics, Asians and Latinos, can live out the old black spiritual Free at Last, Free at Last, thank God almighty, we are free at Last.



### **Celebrate African Catholic Saints and Ancestors**

*St. Martin de Porres* was born in Lima, Peru on December 9, 1579. Martin was the illegitimate son to Spanish nobleman Juan De Porres and an emancipated African woman Ana Velasquez from Panama. At a young age, Martin's father abandoned him, his mother and his younger sister, leaving Martin to grow up in deep poverty. After spending just two years in primary school, Martin was placed with a barber/surgeon where he would learn barbering and the medical arts.

As Martin grew older, he experienced a call to serve God in community. In Peru, by law, all descendants of African or Indians were not allowed to become full members of religious orders. Martin, who spent long hours in prayer, found his only way into the community he longed for was to ask the Dominicans of Holy Rosary Priory, in Lima, to accept him as a volunteer who served the other brothers in the monastery. In return, he would wear the habit and live with the religious community. When Martin was 15, he asked for admission into the Dominican Convent of the Rosary in Lima and was received as a servant and eventually became the church officer in charge of distributing money to deserving poor.

At the convent, Martin took on his old trades of barbering and healing. He also worked in the kitchen, did laundry and cleaned. After eight more years, Martin took his vows as a member of the Third Order of Saint Dominic, under the prior Juan de Lorenzana, who decided to disregard the racist law restricting Martin's profession of vows.

Martin became a Dominican lay brother in 1603 at the age of 24. Ten years later, Martin was assigned to the infirmary where he would remain in charge until his

death. Martin was praised for his unconditional care of all people, regardless of race or wealth. He took care of everyone from the Spanish nobles to the enslaved.

Martin walked in the power of God. It is said he had many powerful gifts, including levitation, bilocation, healing, spiritual knowledge and an excellent relationship with animals. Martin also founded an orphanage for abandoned children and the formerly enslaved and was well known for raising dowries for poor girls wanting to marry. He was known to even pass through locked doors to help the sick. In January of 1639, when Martin was 60-years-old, he became suddenly ill, passing away on November 3, 1639.

St. Martin de Porres was beatified by Pope Gregory XVI on October 29, 1837 and canonized by Pope John XXIII on May 6, 1962.

He has become the patron saint of people of mixed race, innkeepers, barbers, public health workers and more. His feast day is November 3.

## **Mental Health First Aid Course**

A **Mental Health First Aid course** will be held at St. Vincent's Parish.

Mental Health First Aid (MHFA) is a public education program that teaches the skills needed to identify, understand and respond to signs of behavioral health challenges or crises. First aid is given until appropriate supports are received.

The Adult Mental Health First Aid course is appropriate for anyone over 18 years and older who wants to learn how to help a person experiencing a mental health related crisis or problem.

Topics include anxiety, depression, psychosis and addictions. Participants who complete the course receive a 3 year certification.

This course is offered free of charge by the City of Philadelphia and both sessions must be attended.

**Where:** The Hospitality Center

**When:** Saturdays November 10 **and** 17<sup>th</sup>. From 11:30 AM to 3:30 PM

**You must attend both sessions to be certified.**

**Sign up forms are in the back of the Church**

For questions call Barbara Carey 215-438-2652



## ST. VINCENT DE PAUL CHURCH STARTS A FUND FOR REFUGEES

### Who's it for?

A refugee is someone who has been forced to flee his or her country because of persecution, war, or violence. A refugee has a well-founded fear of persecution for reasons of race, religion, nationality, political opinion or membership in a particular social group. Currently the number of refugees accepted into the United States is 44,000, the smallest number since 1980 when the White House began putting caps on the numbers allowed annually.

But refugee status is not automatic. Officially recognized refugees and de facto refugees are not the same thing only because of politics. Our fund would serve anyone who fits the above definition whether they have been deemed so by the government or not.

### Why's it necessary?

We feel there is a need for a fund because money is needed for ongoing and future projects. We want to give others in the parish an opportunity to help out when and where the need arises.

### The Current Situation

- Some parishioners have begun giving support to the two families who are in sanctuary in FUMCOG (the United Methodist Church nearby).
- Others help a family from Honduras to buy food. They are not in sanctuary but are waiting to see if their request for refugee status is accepted. They live in Germantown.
- There is still a family in sanctuary at the Church of the Advocate at 18<sup>th</sup> and Diamond Streets. The family has been in sanctuary for almost a year.
- Some parishioners are aiding a Guatemalan man to get settled. He received a special visa after being incarcerated for 11 months.

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ALMIGHTY AND MERCIFUL GOD,  
whose Son became a refugee  
and had no place to call his own;  
look with mercy on those who today  
are fleeing from danger,  
homeless and hungry.  
Bless those who work to bring them relief;  
inspire generosity and compassion in all  
our hearts;  
and guide the nations of the world  
towards that day  
when all will rejoice in your Kingdom of  
justice and of peace;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.  
Amen.

### The Future Picture

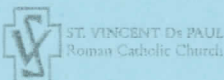
Other needs may arise as the immigration crisis continues. The New Sanctuary Movement of Philadelphia has a program of accompaniment of immigrants. As immigrants request help, new needs may arise.

### How to Join in with Support

You can help out by designating your donation to the "Refugee Fund" and depositing it in the collection basket on Sunday or sending it to the church office via mail or courier. The New Sanctuary Movement Committee of the parish will utilize the funds for immigrants and report on how they were used. If you are donating directly to the New Sanctuary Movement of Philadelphia or to FUMCOG, please continue to do so. This fund is meant as a way to give through St. Vincent de Paul Church.

### If You Know of an Immigrant in Need . . .

Contact the New Sanctuary Movement Committee of the parish. Members are Gene Cleaver, Mary Regan, Paul Witte, Jim Wuenschel, Joy Wuenschel, Mary Durkin, Nora O'Neill, Yvonne Marlier and possibly others as time goes on. We meet at least monthly. You are invited to join us.



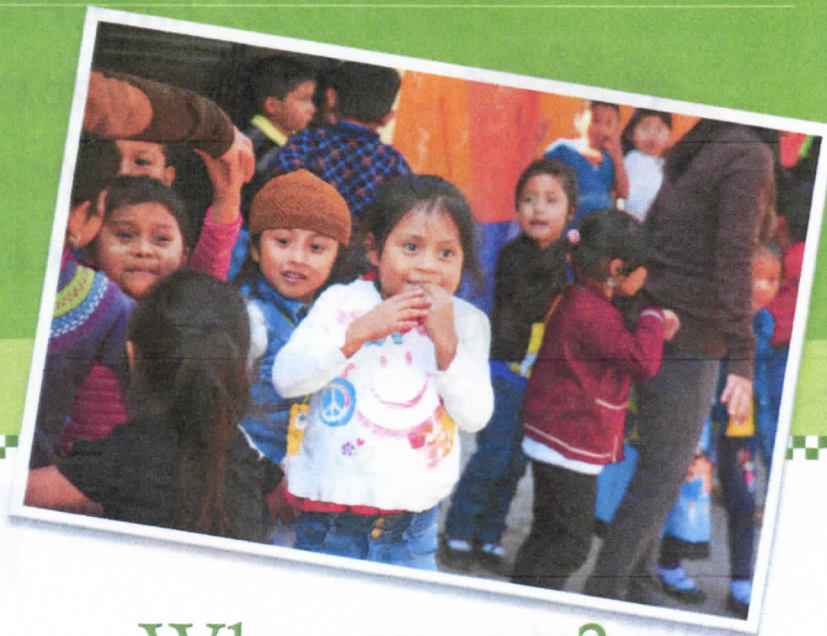




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## ARTISAN SALE

Saturday November 3  
Sunday, November 4  
BEFORE & AFTER MASSES



## Who are we?

Under the Same Moon (UTSM) is a non-profit organization that helps support a primary school, Bendición de Dios, in San Juan Alotenango, Guatemala. Bendición de Dios educates about 500 children, most of whom cannot afford the \$250 in annual costs needed to attend the "public" schools there.

We raise money by collecting donations & selling handcrafted items made by Guatemalan indigenous artisans and locally sourced Guatemalan coffee, Dean's Beans.



UTSM works directly with artisans & artisan cooperatives to follow fair trade practices. Thus, our purchases also provide opportunities for greatly improved earnings for the artisans.





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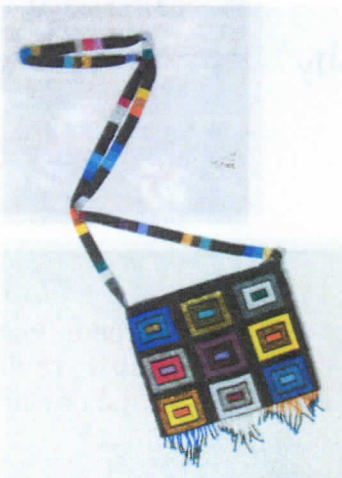
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### **SAVE THE DATES!**

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# ST. MARTIN DE PORRES



**PRESIDER & HOMILIST**

**Bishop Shelton Fabre**

Bishop of Houma-Thibodaux



**NOVEMBER 5TH | 7:00 P.M.**

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**Dear Saint Vincent's Community ,**

**As one who's light is such a reflection of Gods word, We are extending this Invitation to you.**

**Please Join us in the following Christ Series and the Evangelization.**

**The following Christ Series is now twice weekly Tuesday at 7PM -to- 8:30 PM or Saturday From 10:30AM -to- 12:00 Noon the Evangelization is on Saturdays From 10:00 AM -to -10:30 AM.**

**Bring a friend, Family member, or someone from Church.**

**We Look forward to seeing You.**

**The Following Christ Series Consist of :**

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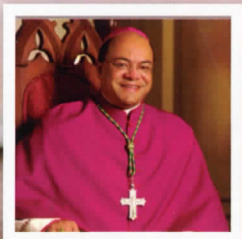
**Sharing Christ-**

**ALL MEETINGS ARE HELD IN THE RECTORY !!**

**Sincerely,**

**The Evangelization And Following Christ Ministry -**





# UPCOMING EVENTS

*Sponsored by the  
Office for Black Catholics*

**Monday, November 5, 2018 | 7:00PM**

## ST. MARTIN DE PORRES MASS

- » **Presider:** Most Reverend Charles J. Chaput O.F.M. Cap.
- » **Homilist:** Most Reverend Shelton Fabre, Bishop of Houma-Thibodaux
- » **Location:** Cathedral of Sts. Peter & Paul

**Sunday, November 18, 2018 | 11:00AM**

## MASS OF THE INSTALLATION OF THE TOMB OF SAINT KATHERINE DREXEL

- » **Celebrant:**  
Archbishop Charles J. Chaput, O.F.M. Cap.
- » **Location:**  
Cathedral of Sts. Peter & Paul



## Save the Date Events

**Thursday, December 6, 2018 | 7:00PM**

### PANEL DISCUSSION: THE SIN OF RACISM

- Archbishop Wilton Gregory,  
Archbishop of Atlanta
- Ray Boshara, St. Louis Federal Reserve
- » **Location:** St. Charles Borromeo Seminary  
Vianney Hall

**Monday, January 21, 2019 | 6:30PM**

### ARCHDIOCESE OF PHILADELPHIA ANNUAL MARTIN LUTHER KING JR. CELEBRATION

- » **6:30PM: Prelude Music**  
Philadelphia Black Catholic Gospel Choir
- » **7:00PM: Keynote Address**  
Bishop Edward Braxton  
"The Catholic Church and the Racial Divide in the United States"
- » **Location:** Saint Joseph University  
Chapel of St. Joseph  
5600 City Ave, Philadelphia, PA 19131



For more information contact:  
**Archdiocese of Philadelphia  
Office for Black Catholics**  
222 N. 17th Street, Philadelphia, PA 19103  
Father Richard Owens, O.F.M. Cap, Director  
fr.owens@archphila.org 215.587.3541



## November is National Black Catholic History Month, a time

the church in the United States sets aside to recall the rich history of Black Catholicism and the many important contributions that African-Americans have made to our church. Please join us in celebrating Black Catholic History Month by attending these wonderful events sponsored by the Office for Black Catholics.



# Tolton

From Slave to Priest



**Tuesday, Sept. 25, 2018 | 7PM – 9:30PM**

## ST. LUKE'S PRODUCTION PRESENTS TOLTON: FROM SLAVE TO PRIEST

- » **Topic:** Tolton: From Slave to Priest
- » **Cost:** \$10.00
- » **Register Online:** <http://goo.gl/RKFPZi>
- » **Location:**  
La Salle University  
Dan Rodden Theater  
1900 West Olney Avenue  
Philadelphia, PA 19140

**If you would prefer to register for any event by phone please call the Office For Black Catholics at 215-587-3541.**



**Saturday, October 27, 2018 | 10AM – 2PM**

## BLACK CATHOLIC HISTORY MONTH KICK-OFF EVENT

- » **Topic:** Go Ye Therefore! The Music Making Disciples through the Lens of the African American Tradition.
- » **Presenter:** Kenneth W. Louis
- » **Cost:** \$12.00  
Buffet Lunch at University Cafeteria
- » **Register Online:** <http://goo.gl/H83nJH>
- » **Location:**  
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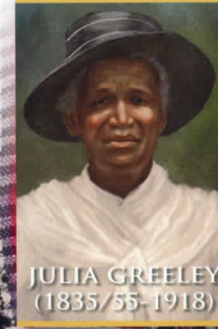
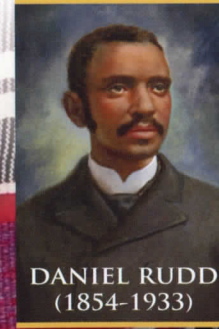
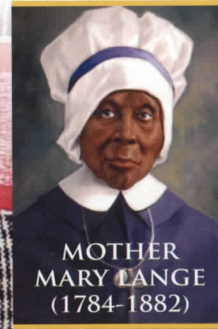
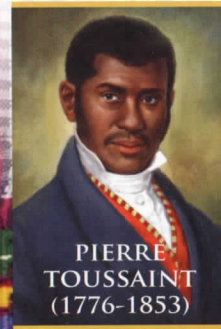
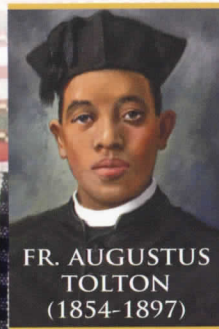
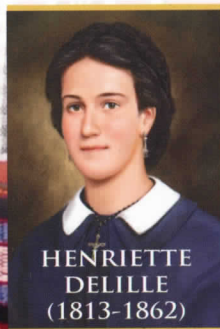


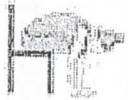
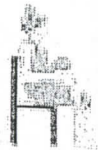
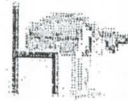
**Saturday, Nov. 3, 2018 | 8:15AM - 3:10PM**

## THE TWENTY-NINTH ANNUAL CATECHIST CONVOCATION - LIVING AS MISSIONARY DISCIPLES

- » **Topic:** Forming Intentional Black Catholic Missionary Disciples
- » **Presenter:** Therese Wilson Favors
- » **Cost:** Free
- » **Register Online:** <http://goo.gl/qg9yok>
- » **Location:**  
Archbishop Carroll High School  
211 Matson Ford Road  
Radnor, PA 19087

Round trip bus transportation is available for all interested in attending the convocation. The bus will depart the Archdiocese of Philadelphia Pastoral Center at 8:00AM. Parking is available at 222 North 17th Street, Philadelphia, PA 19103.





- ☆ No previous experience with yoga required
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- ☆ Taught by Janeen Chavis. Call/text 646.763.7134 w/ any questions

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September: 27

October: 11, 25

November: 15, 29

December: 13

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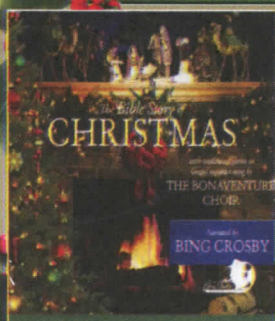
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