

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
44 W. Logan Street ♦ Philadelphia, PA 19144 ♦ 215-842-1266 ♦ www.thedepaulcatholicschool.org

Parish Staff

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

MASS INTENTIONS FOR THIS WEEK

SUN	09/29	Miraculous Medal	10:00 am
MON	09/30	NO MASS	7:00 am
TUE	10/01	Frank & Maria Meloni	7:00am
WED	10/02	Reddy, Theresa Horan	7:00 am
THU	10/03	Joseph Renzi	7:00am
FRI	10/04	Anna Sroka	7:00am
SAT	10/05	St. Alphonsus Miraculous Medal	8:00am 4:00pm

SUN **Twenty Sixth Sunday Ordinary Time**
SAT **Sacrament of Penance 3-3:30 pm**

FOR THIS WE PRAY

Parishioners

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, Ronald Rigler, Shirley Smith, Ida Bass, Stanley Callahan, Teresa Cipriano, Dorothy Ivey, Jarrett Queen Davis, Mary Montgomery, Grace Lawrence, Rosemary Barber, Mary Coulter, Michael Franklin, Carroll Clay, Yvonne McIntosh.

Friends of St. Vincent's

Caitlyn Graham, Sister Michael Anthony Mugan, Claire Wesolowski, Wanda Johnson, Robert Myers, Carol Holloway, Lillian Elliott, Jeanette Ingersoll, Dara Hefton, Christopher Mills, Johanna Moreno, Richard Piedra, Titilope Oluwo, Theresa Kelley, Sandra Friday, Joe Gnad, Mattie Robinson, NaJearah Smith, Tom Stevens, baby Nicholas Esposito, John Michalski, Kenneth Chandler, Rayan Bouso, Sharon Williams, Barbara Kelley, Jim Moran, Agnes Thomas, Virginia R., Michael Hlywski, Patricia Jordan Winston, Mary Malizia, Nancy Dole, Tony Gaddis, David Weber, Charles Carlin, Michael Morris, Valerie Graham, John Bass, Hulstrum Adderley, Genevieve Sharpe, Ezekiel Smith, Bonnie Davis, Rita Felder, Thomasina Thomas, Ann Marie Petersen, Danielle Parker-Magnum, Harry Petersen, John Rigby, Our Sister Parish, Las Anonas de Santa Cruz, El Salvador.

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	2536.00
Electronic	<u>3,250.00.</u>
Total	5,786.00
Tithe	289.30

Today's Readings

First Reading: Amos 6:1a, 4-7
 Psalm: Psalm 146
 Second Reading: I Timothy 6:11-16
 Gospel: Luke 16:19-31

Readings for Next Week

First Reading: Habakkuk 1:2-3, 2:2-4
 Psalm: Psalm 95
 Second Reading: 2 Timothy 1:6-8, 13-14
 Gospel: Luke 17:5-10

Monday: Zec 8:1-8; Ps 102:16-21, 29, 22-23; Lk 9:46-50
 Tuesday: Zec 8:20-23; Ps 87:1b-7; Lk 9:51-56
 Wednesday: Neh 2:1-8; Ps 137:1-6, 10-11; Mt 18:1-5, 10
 Thursday: Neh 8:1-4a, 5-6, 7b-12; Ps 19:8-11; Lk 10:1-12
 Friday: Bar 1:15-22; Ps 79:1b-5, 8-9; Lk 10:13-16
 Saturday: Bar 4:5-12, 27-29; Ps 69:33-37; Lk 10:17-24

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.

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 Liz Bergen 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 - September 29 - October 5, 2019

SPANISH SPEAKING MASS AT ST. VINCENT'S

On **Sunday, September 29 at 5 pm.** Fellowship will be right after the Mass. Please let any Spanish speaking friends know.

SECOND COLLECTION ON SEPTEMBER 28/29

Please give generously to support the Urban Resources Development Corporation (URDC) helping to stabilize the housing stock in NW Philadelphia by assisting low income and elderly with home repairs.

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTER TRAINING

Training will be held soon, **REQUIRED** for anyone wishing to become a Eucharistic Minister and a "refresher" for those who are.

CHILDREN'S LITURGY OF THE WORD (CLOW)

CLOW happens at both the 9 and 11am masses. **HELP IS NEEDED:** Kevin Gomez got a job in New York and won't be working with our children's religious education. If you are interested, please speak to Fr. Sy ASAP. There is a stipend.

CHILDREN'S SPECIAL OCCASION CHOIR

NO EXPERIENCE NECESSARY: Flyers are in the back of the church. Contact Dermis DeJesus (dermis.dejesus@gmail.com) or Heather Wright (hww0921@yahoo.com), for more information.

PET BLESSING MASS

In honor of St. Francis of Assisi's feast day, there will be a Pet Blessing Mass on **Saturday, October 5th at 4 PM.** Please bring your leashed or crated pet and have them blessed. You are also welcome to bring a photo of them in their place.

BREAD BAKERS MINISTRY

We are looking for a couple of additional bakers, to prepare Eucharistic bread for our Masses. If interested, see Jim Weiss or Amy Buchanan, for more information.

CONTEMPLATIVE PRAYER GROUP

Gather with us third Tuesdays of the month, 1:30-2:30 in the Chapel.

SENIOR MINISTRY

We will resume meeting in September. For more information or questions, call Jerry Smith 215-508-0427.

LEGION OF MARY

Join the Legion of Mary to meet, do evangelization, or just pray the rosary! If interested, please see a member of the Legion of Mary.

HOSPITALITY VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

We have a special way of being together after the 9am Mass only if people volunteer to host a Sunday. Please sign up to host beverages and cookies on the rectory porch. Sheet posted at the side church door.

REFLECTION SPACE/PRIVATE PRAYER INTENTIONS

There is a reflection space to the right as you enter the church with a box for worshipers to deposit private prayer intentions or to pray quietly for their own and others' intentions. The box of prayer intentions will be placed on the altar at the beginning of each mass.

TUITION ASSISTANCE

Scholarship forms are in the back of the church. If you have children in Catholic schools, fill out a form ASAP and give it to Fr. Bindel or Fr. Joseph.

ART GALLERY

Thank you to Jo Madden for her beautiful art that graces our rest room gallery. Take a look and enjoy!

DON'T FORGET: WEEKEND OF OCTOBER 12-13, 2019 UNDER THE SAME MOON artisan sale.

PARISH RETREAT

"WEAVING GOD'S TAPESTRY OF LOVE" November 8-10: Weekend reservations are \$25; Saturday only reservations are only \$10.

PEACE AND JUSTICE

Peace and Justice Ministry meetings are held on the **4th Tuesday of each month at 11:45 am** in the Rectory.

POWER UPDATE

*For more information about all the work POWER does to insure fair funding for schools, voting registration and rights, job opportunities and fair practices for disadvantaged and unemployed workers, environmental justice, and important upcoming actions for justice, please contact Mary Laver (610-324-9388 mlaver@powerinterfaith.org or Terri Burgin (215-651-0100 tburgin@powerinterfaith.org).

HEARTS ON FIRE 170TH ANNIVERSARY GALA

On **Thursday, October 10th**, celebrate the wonderful works of the Vincentian Priests and Brothers of the Eastern Province. There will be dinner, auctions, entertainment and Brother Al is one of the honorees. The event will be at the Loews Hotel, 1200 Market Street, from 6pm until 11pm. If you order your tickets by September 25th, they are \$150 each. Contact Colleen Buckley, cbuckley@cammonline.org or 215-532-5783, for more information.

MY PLACE GERMANTOWN TRIVIA NIGHT

Come out and support the mission of My Place Germantown on **Saturday, October 12 at 7pm.** Tickets are \$60. Information and sign up forms are in the back of the church.

INN DWELLING'S ANNUAL CELEBRATION

On **Sunday, October 20**, Inn Dwelling will celebrate their scholars at their annual fundraiser at the Arts Ballroom, 1324 Locust Street, in Center City. Tickets are \$60/person or \$100/couple. Contact Brother Al at 215-438-2195.

"FINDING GOD IN ORDINARY TIME"

Parishioner Christine Eberle is offering a retreat on the above topic on **October 6, 1-4pm** at Cranaleith Spiritual Center on Proctor Street in Northeast Philadelphia. The cost is just \$30. Visit the Cranaleith website to register.

BEREAVEMENT MINISTRY

We will meet on **Monday, October 21 at 12:30pm** in the Rectory.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED TO ORGANIZE SERVICE!The

ALL SOULS MEMORIAL SERVICE will take place on Monday, November 4 at 7pm. To volunteer contact Joan McGowan (joaniemc223@gmail.com, 267-879-7664)



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 _____

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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.

Date _____ Envelope Number _____

Electronic Type: New _____ Change _____

Name _____ last _____ first _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Telephone # _____

Cell # _____

Email _____

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:

ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR SEPTEMBER 28TH AND 29TH, 2019

Father Joe Cummins would appreciate visitors. Joe's cancer is spreading. He would like you to call first, 215-913-3234; so he can let you know how he is feeling first and if he is up for a SHORT visit.

On this Feast Day of St. Vincent de Paul, we celebrate our parish's St. Vincent de Paul Service Awardees: LAURA FORD and DICK & PHYLLIS TAYLOR. Their lives have exemplified the Virtues of St. Vincent: SIMPLICITY, HUMILITY, MEEKNESS, MORTIFICATION & ZEAL!

THIS WEEKEND'S SECOND COLLECTION: We will have a second collection to benefit the Urban Resources Development Corporation, URDC for short. URDC was established in 1995 by ten congregations in Germantown, including St. Vincent's, to help stabilize the housing stock in Northwest Philadelphia. URDC currently assists low income and elderly homeowners with needed repairs. We use no public funds in this effort. Your generous financial support is appreciated.

RCIA: If you want to learn more about the Catholic faith or become Catholic, please speak with Fr. Sy or Diane Zieg. We are starting soon.

AFRICAN MASS: On Sunday, November 17th, at the 11am, an African Mass will be celebrated here at St. Vincent's. We will have a Ghanaian choir.

MASS COUNT MONTH: In October, we count the number of people attending each weekend Mass. Unfortunately, it is one of the major factors the Archdiocese uses in the viability of parishes. So please make sure you come every Sunday and bring friends and family.

YOUNG ADULT HOLY HOUR/HAPPY HOUR: On Friday, October 25th, at 6:30 pm, join us in Eucharistic Adoration (Holy Hour) at Mary's Shrine, followed by refreshments, drinks, and a fellowship gathering (Happy Hour) in the Lower Shrine. Secure parking is available for all attendees at The Miraculous Medal Shrine Lot. We ask that you register if you plan on participating so we can prepare accordingly. Email Carolina Soares, at csoares@cammonline.org.

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTER TRAINING: On Saturday, October 26th, from 10am until noon, we will have a REQUIRED SESSION for anyone wishing to become a Eucharistic Minister and a "refresher" for those who are already Eucharistic Ministers.

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RETREAT RESERVATION: Individuals who haven't completed their retreat reservation, please see a retreat committee member today. Individuals not completing their reservations could possibly lose their reservation.

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BREAD BAKERS MINISTRY: We are looking for a couple of additional bakers, to prepare Eucharistic bread for our Masses. If interested, see Jim Weiss or Amy Buchanan, for more information.

UNDER THE SAME MOON: The Artisan Sale is October 12th and 13th, before and after all the Masses. Cash, credit and personal checks are accepted.

Diversity Sunday will be October 26th and 27th, the last weekend of the month.

Please pray for Shyamirr Wallace, a 12 year old sixth grade student at DePaul Catholic, who has Stage 4 Hodgkin's Lymphoma and was diagnosed with several cancerous tumors on his lungs.

GENERAL INTERCESSIONS / 26th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
September 28-29, 2019 (Feast of St. Vincent de Paul)

Loving God, help us in our pledge to live the virtues of St. Vincent de Paul: SIMPLICITY, HUMILITY, MEEKNESS, MORTIFICATION, and ZEAL.

Loving God, bless our St. Vincent de Paul Service Awardees Laura Ford and Dick & Phyllis Taylor; and Sr. Rosemarie, who has served Inn Dwelling for more than 25 years. May their examples of selfless service inspire all in our community to Weave God's Tapestry of Love.

Merciful God, bless all who gather to celebrate St. Vincent's Spanish speaking Mass tomorrow/today. During this Hispanic Heritage Month we pause to recognize and value the contributions made by our Hispanic sisters and brothers.

Merciful God, as we commemorate 170 years of Vincentian presence in Germantown, help us to reach out to and serve the poor in the ways of St. Vincent de Paul and St. Louise de Marillac. Healing God, we pray that Your presence will help to heal communities affected by storms and natural disasters. Inspire our political leaders to quickly appropriate the necessary aid and supplies needed to recover and rebuild.

Healing God, we pray for those who have joined You in glory, and for those left behind, that they find solace in knowing that their loved ones have found everlasting peace in Your presence.
Submitted by: Joan McGowan

170th ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION
VINCENTIAN PRESENCE IN PHILADELPHIA
ST. VINCENT de PAUL PARISH/GERMANTOWN

September 29, 2019

The Vincentian religious order, or Congregation of the Mission, was founded in France by St. Vincent de Paul around 1620.

The first group of **Vincentians** arrived in Philadelphia in 1849, committed to the mission of helping the poor, the disadvantaged and those on the margins of society. At the time America consisted of 30 states, 14 of which permitted slavery; the Civil War was still 12 years in the future.

Philadelphia had a population of about 120,000. Germantown was a separate borough; it would become part of Philadelphia in 1854. The Vincentians, at the invitation of Bishop Francis Kenrick, who oversaw the Diocese of Philadelphia at the time, established the first Catholic church in Germantown, St. Vincent's. The cornerstone was laid on Sept. 2, 1849, amid the presence of some anti-Catholic demonstrators, and the first Mass was celebrated here on July 13, 1851.

The focus of the Vincentian presence here in Germantown was & is to take care of the poor, the homeless, & the underserved.

The **Daughters of Charity of Saint Vincent de Paul** were founded in 1633 by Saint Vincent de Paul and Saint Louise de Marillac. They are devoted to serving Jesus Christ in persons who are poor through corporal and spiritual works of mercy.

The Daughters of Charity lived among those whom they served.

The Daughters of Charity in Philadelphia trace directly back to the Sisters of Charity of St. Joseph founded in 1809 in Baltimore by St. Elizabeth Ann Seton. In 1814, at the request of Augustinian Father Michael Hurley, pastor of St. Augustine Church, Mother Seton sent three Sisters to Philadelphia to take charge of a small orphanage, the St. Joseph Orphan Asylum. The orphanage had been established in 1797 initially to care for Catholic children orphaned by the series of disastrous Yellow Fever epidemics that plagued Philadelphia in that era. The St. Joseph Orphan Asylum, then located adjacent to Holy Trinity Church in old city Philadelphia with 13 children of both sexes, was the first organized Catholic social outreach program in what is now the Archdiocese of Philadelphia.

The Daughters of Charity set up soup kitchens, organized community hospitals, established schools and homes for orphaned children, offered job training, taught the young to read and write, and improved prison conditions.

We worship in a very special & historic church. This is truly sacred ground. 25 priests, brothers, & seminarians are buried here at St. Vincent's in a vault or on the side of the church. Their names & the dates of their deaths are noted below so that we never forget that when we approach or enter our church we are on holy ground. We honor and remember these members of the Vincentian family who are a special part of our foundation & history:

Brother Joseph Sticca – September 14, 1852

Brother James Vitale – April, 1858

Brother John Calme – February 29, 1864

Rev. James Pigott – June 21, 1865

Mr. William Mullin – February 21, 1871

Mr. Samuel Schley – April 2, 1871

Brother John Simon – December 1, 1871

Rev. John Quigley – January 18, 1872

Very Rev. John Hayden – November 2, 1872

Rev. John Monaghan – September 27, 1877

Rev. James Knowd – March 28, 1880

Brother Lawrence Kappert – April 11, 1884

Rev. James Rolando – November 26, 1884

Brother James Nugent – July 27, 1886

Mr. George King – February 25, 1888

Mr. Basil O'Neil – February 22, 1892

Rev. James Durkin – May 28, 1893

Rev. Michael Kircher – March 5, 1894

Mr. Edward O'Brien – June 10, 1894

Brother Alexander Bannon – September 27, 1895

Brother Peter Bannon – October 11, 1895

Mr. Thomas Dooley – March 4, 1896

Rev. Robert Devine – February 28, 1898

Mr. John Deegan – August 6, 1898

Rev. John T. Landry – May 25, 1899

*FEAST OF SAINT VINCENT DE PAUL
CELEBRATION*



*September 29th, 2019
10am Mass*

ORDER OF SERVICE

Welcome: Joan McGowan

Liturgy

Introductory Rites

Gathering: "City of God"

Penitential Act

Calypso Gloria

Liturgy of the Word

Old Testament: Amos 6:1a, 4-7

Psalm: Psalm 146

New Testament: 1 Timothy 6:11-16

Gospel Acclamation: Alleluia

Gospel: Luke 17:5-10

Homily

Reflections:

Representative from *Urban Renewal
Development Center*

Representative from *Central Association
of the Miraculous Medal*

St. Vincent De Paul Awards:

Laura Ford (Introduced by Fr. Timothy
Lyons, C.M.)

Dick and Phyllis Taylor (Introduced by
Sharon Browning)

Creed

Prayer of the Faithful

Liturgy of the Eucharist

Offertory Song: "Endless is Your Love"

Eucharistic Prayer

Distribution of Communion

Communion Song(s):

"Servant Song"

"Available to You"

Meditation Song: "House of Vincent"

Prayer after Communion

Honoring the 25th (plus one year)
Anniversary of Sister Rosemarie
Jefferson's Ministry at Inn Dwelling

Blessing of Plaques

St. Vincent and St. Louise Service
Award Perpetual Plaque

Richard Binder Memorial Plaque

Concluding Rites

Closing Prayer

Blessing

Going Forth: "Every Praise"

A Pledge to Live the Virtues of St. Vincent de Paul



I commit myself to living the virtues of St. Vincent more deeply:

I pledge my heart to the virtue of **SIMPLICITY**. I will speak plainly, converse honestly, and conduct my affairs with straight-forward goodness. I will strive to free my heart of attachments to the possessions, pursuits, and concerns that distract me from serving my God.

I pledge my heart to the virtue of **HUMILITY**. I will remember my own dependence on God, and consider others' virtues ahead of their flaws. I will strive to cast aside pride, and to approach each day as a lowly servant of our good and loving God.

I pledge my heart to the virtue of **MEEKNESS**. I will be warm, approachable, respectful, and open to those I encounter. I will strive against any natural irritability, praying instead for a kindly spirit with which to serve God's people.

I pledge my heart to the virtue of **MORTIFICATION**. I will be clear-eyed about my faults, resolving to die to sin daily. I will strive to be a faithful servant to people who are experiencing any form of poverty, placing their needs above my passing pleasures.

I pledge my heart to the virtue of **ZEAL**. I will live the life of faith joyfully, my heart burning within me as I respond to God's call. I will strive to live a balanced life, so that my service of God's people may long endure.

As members of a faith community modeled on the example of St. Vincent DePaul, we pledge ourselves to the virtues that St. Vincent held most dear: Simplicity, Humility, Meekness, Mortification, and Zeal. May our embrace of these virtues continue our conversion — as individuals and as a parish—into all that God longs for us to be in this world.



Join us for An Evening of Remembrance All Souls Day

Monday, November 4, 2019

7PM

St. Vincent de Paul Church

Please fill out the bottom of this form, with the name of someone who has passed away in the past year, and return it to the rectory or place in the offertory basket.



Name of the Deceased: _____

Contact person: _____

Phone # or email: _____

Will someone be representing the family at the prayer service on
November 4th? Yes _____ No _____

