

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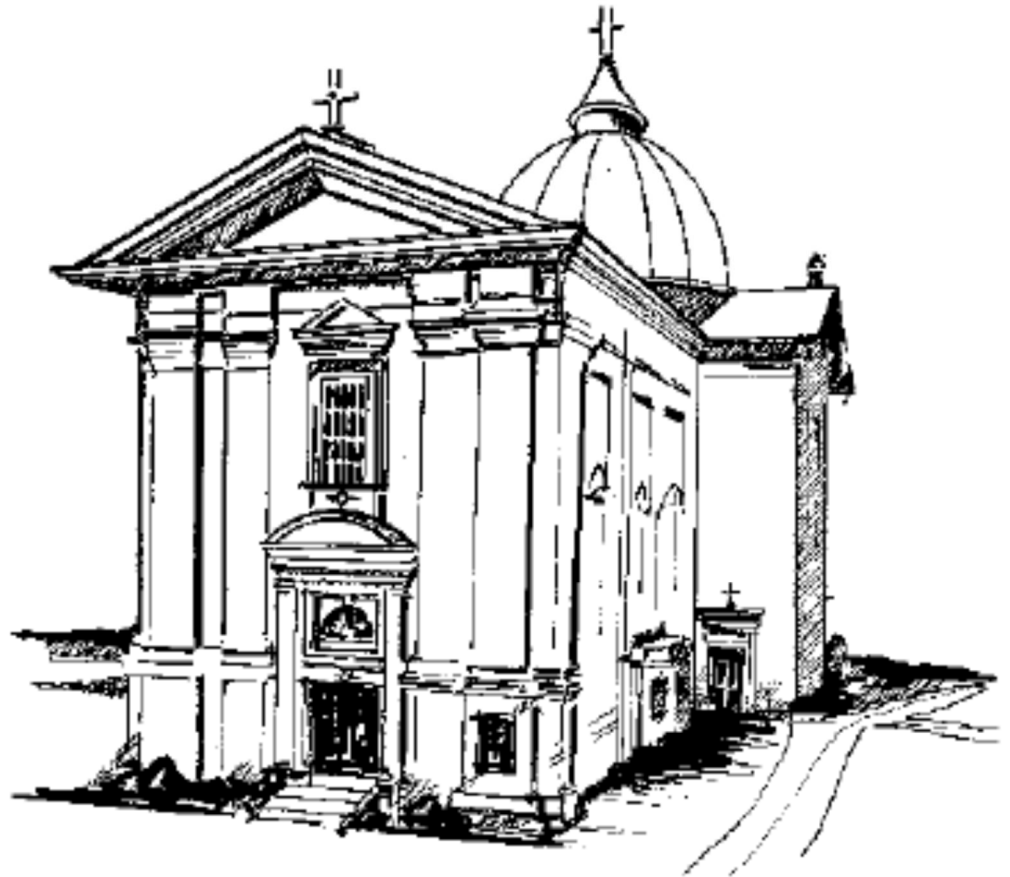
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**Eucharistic Celebration ♦ Saturday 4pm, Sunday 9 & 11am**  
**Sacrament of Reconciliation ♦ Please call for an appointment.**

June 26, 2016

**MASS INTENTIONS FOR THIS WEEK**

<b>SUN</b>	<b>06/26</b>	Marianne Buczek Szucs	<b>9:00 am</b>
		Joseph Mastronardo	<b>11:00 am</b>
<b>MON</b>	<b>06/27</b>	NO MASS	
<b>TUE</b>	<b>06/28</b>	Miraculous Medal	<b>7:00 am</b>
<b>WED</b>	<b>06/29</b>	Miraculous Medal	<b>7:00 am</b>
<b>THU</b>	<b>06/30</b>	Miraculous Medal	<b>7:00 am</b>
<b>FRI</b>	<b>07/01</b>	Miraculous Medal	<b>7:00 am</b>
<b>SAT</b>	<b>07/02</b>	Miraculous Medal	<b>4:00pm</b>

**Today's Readings**

First Reading: I Kings 19:16b, 19-21  
 Psalm: Psalm 16  
 Second Reading: Galatians 5:1, 13-18  
 Gospel: Luke 9:51-62

**Readings for Next Week**

First Reading: Isaiah 66:10-14c  
 Psalm: Psalm 66  
 Second Reading: Galatians 6:14-18  
 Gospel: Luke 10:1-12, 17-20

**THIS WEEK'S CALENDAR**

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

Monday: Am 2:6-10, 13-16; Ps 50:16bc-23; Mt 8:18-22  
 Tuesday: Am 3:1-8; 4:11-12; Ps 5:4b-8; Mt 8:23-27  
 Wednesday: Acts 12:1-11; Ps 34:2-9; 2 Tm 4:6-8, 17-18; Mt 16:13-19  
 Thursday: Am 7:10-17; Ps 19:8-11; Mt 9:1-8  
 Friday: Am 8:4-6, 9-12; Ps 119:2, 10, 20, 30, 40, 131; Mt 9:9-13  
 Saturday: Am 9:11-15; Ps 85:9ab, 10-14; Mt 9:14-17

**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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*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	2,995.14
Electronic	<u>3,011.00</u>
Total	6,006.14
Tithe	300.31

**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 26-July 2, 2016

### CELEBRATING LAUDATO SI 1st ANNIVERSARY

At St Vincent's, we are celebrating a special Laudato Si Liturgy on the weekend of in mid-July. 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](http://www.catholicclimatecovenant.org).

### AMORIS LATITIA (LOVE OF FAMILY)

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, 1-2:30pm**. Free light lunch at 12:30.

### DECORATE OUR SPACE WITH YOUR TREASURES

*Let us come alive to the splendor that is all around, and see the beauty in ordinary things.* - Thomas Merton

**YOU ARE INVITED...** to consider this quotation as you pay attention to "the beauty in ordinary things", this summer. Our reflection space in the back of the church during the summer months of Ordinary Time will be dedicated to your offerings of items you may find...on a summer walk at the beach, in your back yard, or on a city street...whatever you notice that speaks to you in a special way, for its beauty and splendor, feel free to add to the space as a reminder of the splendor that God has for us, all around.

### FR. TIM'S FAREWELL

We will honor Fr. Tim as he celebrates his 65th birthday and his farewell after four beautiful years of ministry here with **ONE MASS at 10am on Sunday, July 31** followed by a party!

### LECTORS Please Sign up for Summer!

If you are lector, please sign up for times you can serve our worshipping assembly at Masses this July-Aug-Sept! Sign-up sheet is in the Liturgy Prep room in the back of church, to the right of the main entrance. Thank you for making God's Word come alive in our Masses!

### 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 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.

### 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! Hundreds of people of faith will gather from across the state to tell legislators that funding our school is a MORAL issue, not just political! Our bus (for congregations in NW Phila) will depart from FUMCOG (First United Methodist Church, Germantown & Haines) at **9am**. If you want a ride from St Vincent's to FUMCOG, meet in front of St V's at **8:30am** we will shuttle you over to FUMCOG. No charge but must contact Mary Laver today to reserve your seat on the bus (or in a carpool) ([mlaver14@comcast.net](mailto:mlaver14@comcast.net) 610-324-9388). Pizza lunch will be provided in Harrisburg, but if you have other preferences, please bring a bag lunch.

### Voter Registration: Can you volunteer?

POWER does not support candidates, but it does urge everyone who is eligible to VOTE. 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 Oct 11:** Deadline for the Board of Elections to receive registration forms; **Tues Nov 8:** Election Day.

### 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](mailto:llaver4@comcast.net).

### 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](mailto:jmblapaz@yahoo.com) or 267-825-6989, Mary at [joemarydelia@verizon.net](mailto:joemarydelia@verizon.net) or 215-675-9166.

### COUPONS TO BENEFIT MY PLACE GERMANTOWN

Jack DiFeo is selling Shop For A Cause coupons for \$5 after the nine o'clock mass for the remainder of the summer. These coupons provide 25% off purchases made at Macy's from Friday, August 26 through Sunday, August 28. If you end up not using the coupon, you will have the satisfaction of knowing that you are helping to end homelessness in the city of Philadelphia. All proceeds go to My Place Germantown proving permanent housing and support to formerly homeless disabled men.

### PART TIME BOOKKEEPER NEEDED

Kitty Intriери 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.

### MARK YOUR CALENDARS

**September 25** we will honor the Feast of St. Vincent de Paul with **ONE MASS at 10am** followed by a celebration



**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

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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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Prayers of the Faithful  
Twelfth Sunday of Ordinary Time  
June 25-26, 2016

*(Please read these petitions in pairs.*

*4 o'clock and 9 o'clock Masses: **There will be a sung response.***

*11 o'clock please say: Lord hear our prayer after each pair.)*

Called to discipleship, we pray for our Church. May all her members courageously and joyfully announce the Good News of Jesus.

We pray for our Community of St. Vincent's. Encouraged by our parish retreat and the unity experienced, may we continue to seek opportunities for dialogue on the issues that concern us.

Called to discipleship, may legislators respond to mass killings by writing and approving legislation that addresses the issue of gun ownership, aware of their responsibility to protect and ensure the safety of all citizens.

We pray for POWER, especially its efforts to impact the Pennsylvania school budget. May their work bring much needed funds to our city schools.

Called to discipleship, we pray for all who are physically or mentally disabled. May they be supported, encouraged, and empowered to live their lives as fully as possible.

We pray for all who have died, those who have endured long illnesses and those taken suddenly through violence. We entrust them and those who mourn to God's love and mercy.

Mary Ellen Graham  
Peg McFadden

## **ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR JUNE 25<sup>TH</sup> AND 26<sup>TH</sup>, 2016**

**TUITION SCHOLARSHIP FORMS:** Forms will be available for those “active members”, who send their children to Catholic School and need help. Forms will be available starting the weekend of July 9<sup>th</sup> and 10<sup>th</sup>.

**NEXT WEEKEND’S SPEAKER:** Father Peter Pramote Chinnacode will speak at all the weekend masses on behalf of the Stigmatine Fathers and Brothers mission in the country of Thailand. This is in accordance with the Missionary Cooperative Plan of the diocese. The second collection will help further the work of these dedicated men among the people in this far off land. We anticipate your usual, kind generosity towards the mission.

### **JOB OPENINGS AT ROMAN CATHOLIC HIGH SCHOOL:**

**Maintenance Supervisor.** Responsibilities include: Schedule and supervise maintenance workers, maintain a high standard of cleanliness and neatness, schedule and supervise custodial staff and any contracted cleaning services. Individual must be able to perform light mechanical, electrical, plumbing and carpentry repairs and must be able to read gauges and meters that show pressures, temperatures, voltages, levels, quantities, etc. Additionally, candidate must be able to monitor building equipment and systems (boiler, heating, air conditioning, electrical distribution, fire alarm, security and surveillance). This is a 12-month, full-time position. Qualifications include a high school diploma, with at least 3-5 years of progressive responsibility in maintenance. Email resume and salary requirements to [avassallo@romancatholichs.com](mailto:avassallo@romancatholichs.com)

**Maintenance/Custodial Assistant.** Responsibilities include cleaning, light repairs, and maintenance of building systems. Candidate should be reliable, self-motivated and possess attention to detail. This is a 12-month, full-time position. For complete job description, send resume to [avassallo@romancatholichs.com](mailto:avassallo@romancatholichs.com)

**LEGION OF MARY:** The Legion of Mary now meet at **1:30pm** on Wednesday, in the Rectory. Please note the time change.

Come & Celebrate  
Fr. Tim's 65<sup>th</sup> Birthday

And His Farewell

**ONE MASS**

July 31<sup>st</sup> @ 10AM

Party after Mass



## Celebrating the 1<sup>st</sup> Anniversary of Laudato Si

In the months of June and July, 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.

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# Martin de Porres Foundation

The UPDATE

June 2016  
Newsletter

Edition 2, Volume 11



**The Mission of the Martin de Porres Foundation:** The goal of the Martin de Porres Foundation is to develop lay leadership among African American/Black Catholics. This is achieved through undergraduate and graduate education as well as training in Ministry and Leadership skills. The Foundation supports these lay leaders in their efforts to advance Catholicism in the Archdiocese of Philadelphia.

## Ministry to African American Black Catholics/MBC School of Theological Studies St Charles Borromeo Seminary

5.20, 2016

SIGN UP FOR OUR NEWSLETTER

Coming Soon!



On Friday, May 20, 2016 graduate students, who received their Master of Arts in Theology along with students receiving Certificates, were both honored during a MBC Reception. The MBC Program is co-sponsored by the Archdiocese of Philadelphia, Office for Black Catholics, and The School of Theological Studies, with the generous support of the Martin de Porres Foundation.



I-r, Deacon Wm. Bradley, [Paula Manchester, Janell Lavender and Connie McCalla- MA grads], and Catherine Reimel Hamilton, President, Martin de Porres Foundation.

The honorees were asked to give a brief reflection on their St. Charles Seminary experience. Dr. Camille Brown, Archdiocese of Maryland, was the keynote speaker.



I-r, Lorraine Rivera, Yvette Palmer, Carolyn Rice and Tonya Banks awarded Certificates in Pastoral Ministry to Black Catholics. (Photos courtesy of Alonza Baker, St. Athanasius Church).

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Have a dream  
& follow it.

Have a plan  
and stick to it.

Have a goal  
and achieve it.

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## Xavier University (IBCS) Institute for Black Catholic Studies "Meet & Greet"

On Monday, June 13, 2016, Fr. Paul Castellani, Pastor of Saint Philomena, Lansdowne, PA will host a *Meet & Greet* for students enrolled in Xavier University Institute for Black Catholic Studies 2016 Summer Program, New Orleans, LA.

Fifteen students will begin a weekly class at Xavier U. beginning June 27<sup>th</sup> and July 4<sup>th</sup>, 2016.

Scholarships are awarded to students in the Archdiocese of Philadelphia through the generosity of the Martin de Porres Foundation.

We pray for traveling mercies for all students with determination and spiritual vision as they begin their studies, and may God give to everyone a safe return home.

## ORDINATION TO THE PRIESTHOOD



**Rev. Canon A. Gerard Jordan, O. Praem.**

To be conferred by

His Excellency

The Most Reverend Michael J. Fitzgerald,  
Auxiliary Bishop of Philadelphia

**Saturday, July 9, 2016 – 10:00 a.m.**

Reception to Follow

**First Mass of Thanksgiving**

**Sunday, July 10, 2016, 10:30 a.m.**

His Excellency,

The Most Reverend Joseph N. Perry, Homilist  
Auxiliary Bishop of Chicago

Daylesford Abbey

220 South Valley Road, Paoli, PA 19301

Reception to Follow

RSVP by June 20<sup>th</sup>  
to [vocations@daylesford.org](mailto:vocations@daylesford.org)  
or call 610.647.2530 ext. 107

[www.facebook.com/martindeporresfoundation](http://www.facebook.com/martindeporresfoundation)

[www.martindeporresfoundation.org](http://www.martindeporresfoundation.org)

[www.twitter.com/mdpfound](http://www.twitter.com/mdpfound)

Tell us your parish story or give reflections on  
program(s) you attended.

[janell.lavender@martindeporresfoundation.org](mailto:janell.lavender@martindeporresfoundation.org)

Or call 267-398-2314/267-408-5923

## MARK YOUR CALENDAR

Quo Vadis Retreat 2016

**Date: June 16-19, 2016**

For additional information call 215-587-3541 Office for Black Catholics. Deacon Bill Bradley, Director or go to [www.heedthecall.org](http://www.heedthecall.org)

Juneteenth – is the oldest known celebration commemorating the end of slavery in the United States.

**Date: June 18, 2016**

Time: 10:00 am – 3:00 pm

For more information call: 215-763-1305 or

Email: [s.williams@stmalachy.us](mailto:s.williams@stmalachy.us)

Jubilee for Migrants and Refugees

President: Archbishop Charles J. Chaput, O.F. M. Cap., D.D.

**June 21, 2016**

Location: St. Thomas Aquinas

For additional information call 215-587-3541 Office for Black Catholics. Deacon Bill Bradley, Director.

Catechist Training

**August, 2016**

For additional information call 215-587-3541 Office for Black Catholics. Deacon Bill Bradley, Director.

Revival – Bishop Ferd Cheri

**Date: September 26-27, 2016**

Cathedral Basilica

For additional information call 215-587-3541 Office for Black Catholics. Deacon Bill Bradley, Director.

National Black Catholic Men's Conference

Theme: Blessed is the Man who is Faithful, Fearless & Fruitful

**Date: October 6-9, 2016**

Location: Doubletree Hilton Philadelphia Airport  
4509 Island Avenue, Philadelphia, PA 19153

Adult Registration: \$150/ Youth: \$50 (age 8-13)/ H.S. & College Students \$75

<http://www.bowmanfrancisministry.com/programs>

For additional info contact Fr. Chester Smith at [www.gamba\\_10333@aol.com](mailto:www.gamba_10333@aol.com) or 317-259-0144

2016 Catholic Women's Conference Gathering!

**Date: Saturday, October 29, 2016**

Location: National Shrine of Our Lady of Czestochowa,  
Doylestown – 8:30 am to 4:00 pm

Registration includes breakfast, lunch and hospitality bag

[www.catholicwomensconference.org](http://www.catholicwomensconference.org)

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

## NATIONAL BLACK CATHOLIC CONGRESS XII

**Thursday, July 6, 2017 to Sunday July 9, 2017**

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://www.orlando.regency.hyatt.com)

<http://nbccongress.org/events/default.asp#lampstand>

# CHILDREN DEMAND EDUCATIONAL JUSTICE

Calling all Children, Parents, Educators and Community Members

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

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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](http://powerinterfaith.org/childrendemandjustice)  
Contact St. Vincent POWER Co-Leader  
Mary Laver (610) 324-9388; [mlaver14@comcast.net](mailto:mlaver14@comcast.net)



**SPEAK. LEARN. ADVOCATE.**

POWERINTERFAITH.ORG

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LET YOUR VOICE BE HEARD.

## 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.

*Aurora Camacho de Schmidt*  
*New Sanctuary Movement Committee*

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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](mailto:frsy7@hotmail.com).

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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.



Please accept my contribution to help,  
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## NIGERIA

In Nigeria, Father Jacob, a Vincentian priest, is starting a ministry called "DePaul hope Social Center". This center helps train widows so that they can provide for themselves and their children. Many of these women are widows because their husbands were killed by the terrorist group Boko Haram. After training, they will be given "micro-loans", so that they can become self-sufficient. Their total need to fund this project is \$21,500. *Please help bring God's MERCY & HOPE to these widows.*

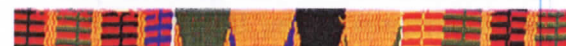


## ETHIOPIA

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



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When: Wednesday, Aug. 3<sup>rd</sup>—Saturday, Aug. 6<sup>th</sup>

More Details To Come!!



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**Opening Reception & Award Ceremony**  
Wednesday, June 1 / 5:30 PM - 7:30 PM  
Independence Visitor Center  
6th & Market Streets

**Movements for Change**  
Thursday, June 2 / 12:00 PM - 1:30 PM  
William Way LGBT Community Center  
1315 Spruce Street

**Jonathan Lax Memorial Lecture**  
Tuesday, June 7 / 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM  
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**Beyond the Walls:**  
**Prison Healthcare and Reentry Summit**  
Wednesday, June 15 / 8:00 AM - 5:00PM  
Pennsylvania Convention Center  
12th & Arch Streets

**Faith Leaders and Community Summit  
& Annual AEM Gospel Concert**  
Saturday, June 18 / 8:00 AM - 4:00 PM  
Concert: 1:00 PM  
Temple University - Howard Gittis Student Center  
1755 N 13th Street

**End AIDS:**  
**The HIV Prevention and Outreach Summit**  
Wednesday, June 22 / 8:00 AM - 5:00 PM  
Pennsylvania Convention Center  
13th & Arch Streets

**Community Cookout**  
Saturday, June 25 / 12:00 PM - 3:00 PM  
Fairmount Park, Area #2  
33rd & Cecil B Moore Avenue

**Hip Hop for Philly FREE Concert  
in honor of National HIV Testing Day**  
Sunday, June 26  
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**Recess: A Collaborative Happy Hour  
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Wednesday, June 29 / 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM  
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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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