

St. Vincent De Paul Church

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Mission Statement

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

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

April 29, 2018

MASS INTENTIONS FOR THIS WEEK

SUN	04/29	Hobart Sullivan	9:00 am
		Barbara Adams	11:00 am
MON	04/30	NO MASS	
TUE	05/01	Miraculous Medal	7:00 am
WED	05/02	Frank & Maria Meloni	7:00 am
THU	05/03	Miraculous Medal	7:00 am
FRI	05/04	Miraculous Medal	7:00 am
SAT	05/05	Miraculous Medal	4:00pm

**THIS WEEK'S
CALENDAR**

SUN	Fifth Sunday of Easter
SAT	Sacrament of Penance 3-3:30 pm

FOR THIS WE PRAY

Parishioners

Muriel Ancrum, Patricia Banmiller, Bernadette Barry, Katherine Elliott, Anoa Curtis, Myles McDonald, William Drinker, Judith Di Battista, Donna Jean Cocchia, Leo Johnson, Patricia Judge, Pat Burton, Thomas Baumann, Dick Taylor, Ginny Witte, Edna Poole, Nan Wade, Betsy Moore, Vince Morgan, Gerry Widmann, Kay Harty, Mary Lynn Kraft, Darryl Carroll, Natalie Gianetti, Arlene Myers, Betty Barnett, Annie Serious, Mary Ellen Graham, Mary Ann Delaplane, Joey Gavin, Barbara Adams, Bertha Allen, Estelle Duncan Fran Rigler.

Friends of St. Vincent's

Maryann Hunsicker, Steven David Aslow, Mary Fazzini DeCanelo, Laura Alfonse, Nancy Tooker, C'Arone & Wynter Marie Hamilton, Tim McCabe, Harrison Harper, Claude Harper, Jaedon Anthony Horton, Arturo Magana Herrera, Lisa Kineke, John Brennan, Ashley Kiker, The Carey Family, Monique & Joseph Phillips, Dan Wuenschel, Ashley Margitech, Johnny Hilferty, Diane McCabe, Judy Spearmint, Millie Kribel, Kathleen Lawson, Dorothy Heimlich, Connie Bronson, Joseph Simmons, Amy Natkins, Terri Jackson, Samuel Gonzalez, Mary Elizabeth Unterfofner, Ana Esquilin Santos, Ann Rainsford & Family, Rayan Bousso, Richard Lipton, Palmina Rucker, Martha King Cox, Anna Satchell, Steve Damville, Jessica Jara, Joe Hagan, Vincent Owens, Barbara Rothenbach, Diane Harris, Siobhan Barrett, Mary Corini, Alysa Smith, Diane Dugan, Mary Hunter Gibbs, Louis Malizia, Alice Penderghast, John Schmitt, Sister Margaret McDevitt, John Michalski, Caitlyn Graham, Sister Michael Anthony Mugan, Claire Wesolowski, Wanda Johnson, Robert Myers, Carol Holloway, Lillian Elliott, Jeanette Ingersoll, Don Larsen, Minerva Ortiz, Karen Johnson, Cathy Schofield. *Our Sister Parish, Las Anonas de Santa Cruz, El Salvador.*

Please pray for the soul of Patti Freedman.

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	3,057.75
Electronic	3,250.00.
Total	6,307.75
Tithe	315.39

Today's Readings

First Reading:	Acts 9:26-31
Psalm:	Psalm 22
Second Reading:	I John 3:18-24
Gospel:	John 15:1-8

Readings for Next Week

First Reading:	Acts 10:25-26, 34-35, 44-48
Psalm:	Psalm 98
Second Reading:	I John 4:7-10
Gospel:	John 15:9-17

Monday:	Acts 11:1-18; Ps 42:2-3; 43:3, 4; Jn 10:1-10
Tuesday:	Acts 11:19-26; Ps 87:1b-7; Jn 10:22-30
Wednesday:	1 Pt 5:5b-14; Ps 89:2-3, 6-7, 16-17; Mk 16:15-20
Thursday:	Acts 13:13-25; Ps 89:2-3, 21-22, 25, 27; Jn 13:16-20
Friday:	Acts 13:26-33; Ps 2:6-11ab; Jn 14:1-6
Saturday:	Acts 13:44-52; Ps 98:1-4; Jn 14:7-14

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 - April 29-May 5, 2018

FIRST COMMUNION

Sunday, May 6 is First Communion. There will be **ONE MASS, at 10am.**

PEW CONVERSATIONS

On the last Sunday of every month, during the homily time, we are all invited to share our thoughts on the day's readings. We are bringing it back because it was so successful in the past as a way of getting to know each other better through talking about our faith and our lives. The Reconciliation and Unity Ministry is putting together a Pew Conversations Team. Members will reflect on the readings and provide feedback on suggested faith sharing questions. Members of the Team will, rotate responsibility for writing a faith sharing question based on the reading and getting it publicized in the bulletin. If you are interested in participating in this unifying work, please contact Sharon Browning at 215-840-4772, or sbrowning@justlistening.net.

LECTOR NOTES

Do you feel called to share your love of God's Word and your gift of proclaiming it with the parish community? In this Easter season of new life—and year-round!—we are always open to prospective lectors emerging in our midst. We are especially eager to invite more men, and more young people who have been confirmed, to consider this ministry. We will plan a 1-hour training on a Saturday in June. Watch the bulletin for details!

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.

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.

FATHER JOE

Father Joe needs our special prayers. He is our infirmary at St. Vincent's Seminary, 500 East Cheltenham Avenue, room number 111.

FATHER SY'S AFRICAN APPEAL FOR HOPE Information is available in the back of the church. Please support this great work for the poor.

THE POOR PEOPLE'S CAMPAIGN

In December 1967, Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King announced the plan to bring together poor people from across the country for a new march on Washington. This march was to demand better jobs, better homes, better education—better lives than the ones they were living. Rev. Dr. Ralph Abernathy explained that the intention of the Poor People's Campaign of 1968 was to “dramatize the plight of America's poor of all races and make very clear that they are sick and tired of waiting for a better life.” The Poor People's Campaign has recently been revived to challenge the evils of systemic racism, poverty, the war economy, ecological devastation and the nation's distorted morality. A Philadelphia branch of the campaign is in formation, and in conjunction with The First United Methodist Church of Germantown and St. Vincent's will host a training meeting on **Sunday May 6 at 3:00**. Please come.

FLAME OF LOVE RETREAT

Saturday, May 5, 8:30am - 3pm, St. Anthony Padua Church, 259 Forest Avenue, Ambler: Celebrant/Homilist is Father Bill McCarthy. To RSVP, call Rebecca Perez, at (215) 646-4742, extension 3009. For more information, call (610) 622-4257.

POWER

Voter Engagement - 2018 is a very critical election year that can “make or break” many of the social justice issues POWER congregations are lifting up—economic dignity, climate justice, equity in education funding, criminal justice reform and more! This summer, POWER will be launching a new “relationship-based” voter engagement program across our region. Sounds a lot like what Pope Francis says when he urges us to not only “meet” each other but to “encounter” each other! We want to jump-start this process right here in Germantown by reaching out to nearby houses of worship, to work side-by-side with them to boost voter turnout and year-round voter “speaking up,” especially in our beloved Germantown. Interested? Contact Mary Laver (610-324-9388).

POWER DATES to SAVE (Sign-up sheets will appear at least 6 weeks ahead of time.):

Wed June 20 (all day): Annual Education Fair Funding Pilgrimage to Harrisburg: All generations welcome—this is 2 days after the last day of classes for students. Bus service provided.

Sun Sept 23 (afternoon/ location TBD, but will be in the Phila area): POWER Convention for all POWER congregations in Phila, suburbs and Center-State too! Before that date, we'll host informal orientations to POWER for St Vincent's parishioners who are curious!

MOTHER & (ADULT) DAUGHTER RETREAT

The Marianist Family Retreat Center in Cape May Point, N.J. is offering a weekend of sharing, prayer, socials, Eucharist, and beach walks **May 11-13**. Cost: \$135 per person. Sign up at capemaymarianists.org or 609-884-3829.

NEW SANCTUARY MOVEMENT UPDATE

Many of you are aware of the turmoil in the New Sanctuary Movement. It has been prominently featured in the Inquirer and elsewhere. The organization has been weakened by the internal dissension that resulted in the firing of 3 of the 6 staff members. No one can deny there are problems. The organization, nevertheless, is going forward. Some of the ambitious projects have been curtailed until other staff can be added. Meanwhile certain meaningful actions will continue such as accompaniment of immigrants, defense of their rights and advocacy for those under ICE detention and support for their families. This notice is meant to assure you that the mission of the New Sanctuary Movement has not changed. It's the direction it has been going in for the last 10 years: to build community across faith, ethnicity and class; to end injustices against immigrants regardless of status; to welcome them and ensure that their dignity is upheld, that justice is done on their behalf, and that hospitality be extended them in practice and in policy. Let's continue to support the New Sanctuary Movement as we have been.

ENDING MASS INCARCERATION

One step toward ending mass incarceration is allowing those serving life sentences to be eligible for parole review. On **Wednesday June 13**, there will be a rally in the Main Capitol Rotunda in Harrisburg and the issue of granting parole review to elderly Lifers will be placed before the Commission on Crime and Delinquency. Please consider joining local activists and family members on the buses leaving from West Philadelphia and traveling to Harrisburg. We have 10 tickets available for a free will offering. The trip includes lunch at the Capitol. Parishioner Sharon Browning will be testifying before the Commission. If interested, please contact Sharon at 215-840-4772, sbrowning@justlistening.net.

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:

Fifth Sunday of Easter, April 29, 2018
Prayers of the Faithful

(for 11:00 Liturgy add: “Let Us Pray to the Lord”)

Lord God of Mercy, as we approach May 6, the date set aside for St Vincent’s to open its doors for training Philadelphians about the Poor People’s campaign, may we be mindful of our responsibility to embrace non-violence, demonstrate the principles of justice for all, unity across division, and equality under the law.

God of Grace, you are our refuge, help us to forgive, moving away from judging others, toward discernment and love in all that we do. You are the true vine and we are your branches.

Jesus our Redeemer, although we celebrate Earth Day only one day of the year, our Mother Earth needs our constant attention and care. Strengthen us – your church - so that we may be a guiding light for all to see our sustained commitment to cherish Mother Earth.

God Almighty, guide the leaders of this country and in the world, so that they might embrace a moral transformation, creating new paths for the poor and marginalized. Bring faith, hope, and charity within and among nations, leading to unity among people.

Lord Jesus Christ, you have conquered the darkness, may those of us who are hurting because we have lost someone to death, rejection, drugs, mental illness, or emotional estrangement be comforted in the faith that you always walk with us toward the light and help us carry our burdens.

Ricki Sanders

Sheila Sharpe

ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR APRIL 28TH AND 29TH, 2018

FIRST COMMUNION: Next Sunday May 6th is **FIRST COMMUNION SUNDAY. THERE WILL BE ONE SUNDAY MASS AT 10 A.M.**

HEALING MASS: Looking for healing of any kind, Jesus can give it to you. Today you will have the opportunity for anointing and healing prayers at each mass after the sermon.

CATHOLIC CHARITIES APPEAL: Envelops are in the pews and at entrance of the church. Please be generous!

TEACHERS APPRECIATION LUNCH JUNE 14TH: We will host the teachers and staff of our school DePaul Catholic. A collection will be taken up. We are also looking to form a committee to set this event up.

CONFIRMANDI MEETING: All those wishing to receive the Sacrament of Confirmation and their parents are asked to attend a meeting next Saturday May 5th at 11 AM in the Rectory. This meeting should last no more than 90 minutes.

MOTHER'S DAY GIFTS: Beautiful African Fans, leather bags, wood carvings are available after mass today. Your credit is good.

ROOF AND CAPITAL CAMPAIGN REPORTS ARE COMING SOON IN A LETTER TO PARISHONERS. There will be an opportunity to discuss and ask questions.

Pastoral council meeting This Thursday at 7 PM May 3rd

Liturgy Council meeting. Next Monday at 7PM May 7th.

CORBIN AND GRACE'S WEDDING SATURDAY MAY 12TH AT THE 4 PM MASS.

**POOR PEOPLE'S CAMPAIGN TRAINING TO BE
HELD HERE AT St. Vincent's on Sunday May 6th
from 3 PM until 6 PM.**