



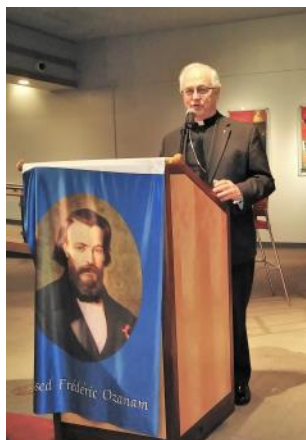
SOCIETY OF ST. VINCENT DE PAUL

OCTOBER 2017

SVDP ANNUAL DINNER CELEBRATES 400th ANNIVERSARY OF VINCENTIAN CHARISM

The Society celebrated its Annual Liturgy and Dinner Sunday, October 15, 2017 at St. Francis University in Loretto. The celebration centered on the 400th Anniversary of Vincentian Charism.

Mass was celebrated in the Immaculate Conception Chapel followed by the dinner in the JFK Center. Main celebrant and guest speaker was Archabbot Douglas Nowicki from the St. Vincent Archabbey.



Several Vincentians were recognized for their service to the Society and to the needy.



Sonny Consiglio, Dave Taddy, Rose Dixon, Betty Griffith, Jerry Baxter

Dave Taddy, St. Francis Xavier/St. Aloysius Conference; Rose Dickson, St. Therese Conference Altoona; and Betty Griffith, Johnstown Thrift Store volunteer received the Society's Ozanam Humanitarian Award. Jerry Baxter, Diocesan Council advisor received the Society's Top Hat Award.

Mr. Tony DeGol, Secretary of Communications for the Altoona-Johnstown Diocese, served as emcee for the evening.

DIRECT MAIL CAMPAIGN FOR JOHNSTOWN KITCHEN



A direct mailing campaign has begun for the SVDP Johnstown Soup Kitchen. Appeal letters have been sent out to many Cambria County businesses, organizations, and parishes to seek financial support for our Soup Kitchen and its mission to feed the hungry.

Anyone wishing to donate to the appeal can do so by sending a check to **SVDP Johnstown Kitchen, 231 Bedford St. Johnstown, PA 15901.**

NEW PANTRY IN HASTINGS

Work continues on the proposed building that will house a new food pantry in Hastings, Cambria County.

The St. Bernards SVDP Conference has been coordinating the effort to purchase land and begin construction of the new structure.

The new pantry will replace the site of the SVDP Carrolltown Food Pantry and will continue to service families in that area.

ST. BERNARD'S CONFERENCE IN HASTINGS INSTALLS NEW MEMBERS

On September 29th the St. Bernard's Conference installed several new members at the parish's daily Mass.

President Bernadette Dillon and Executive Director Sonny Consiglio presided over the installation ceremony.

Fr. Thad, pastor, hosted a social following the Mass.

DOROTHY BARON ELECTED COUNCIL PRESIDENT

Dorothy, from Most Holy Trinity Conference in Huntingdon was elected to a three year term as council president.

We thank Dorothy Baron for accepting the post and ask everyone to keep her in their prayers as she begins her new leadership position.



A very sincere thank you to Richard Slavik, the out going president, for his service over the past three years.

DIOCESAN COUNCIL HELD ITS 2017 FALL PRESIDENTS/DIRECTORS MEETING

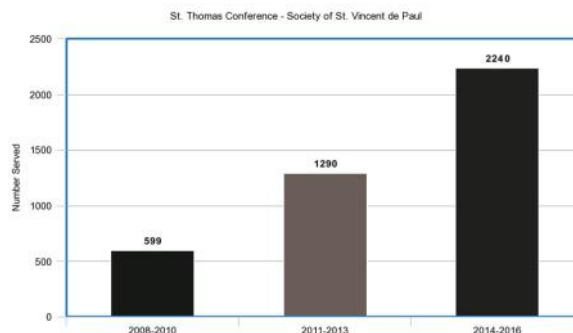
The meeting was held on Saturday October 21 at the St. Francis Xavier Parish hall in Cresson.

The agenda for the meeting included the installation of new presidents, national and eastern region issues, financial statement review, and annual reporting.

ST. THOMAS BEDFORD REPORTS ON INCREASE IN EMERGENCY ASSISTANCE... AND THE NEED FOR VOLUNTEERS

Since 2004 the St. Thomas Conference of St. Vincent de Paul has offered hope to our brothers and sisters through emergency financial assistance and other vital services. It is the mission of the conference to provide support and care for the poor in the local community. In the last decade the demand for emergency support has more than tripled.

The graph shown below illustrates the steady and dramatic increase in requests for assistance.



Due to the generosity of the Catholics of Bedford County and the support of the two Catholic parishes the conference has been able to provide assistance and comfort to the disadvantaged and vulnerable. A monthly summary of the assistance provided is reported in the parish bulletins.

We are confident and very grateful in the sustained generosity of our parishes' members who continue to do God's work among the poor of our community.

But there are always needs and most immediately we are praying for volunteers to join the St. Thomas Conference and share in this joyful work.

Amen I say to you, whatever you did for one of these least brothers of mine, you did for me.

Matthew 25:40



Diocesan Council Spiritual Adviser, Alice Emanuel, presided over the installation of new SVDP Presidents at the Fall Presidents/Directors meeting at St. Francis Xavier parish in Cresson.



2017

- **SUNDAY, OCT 29**
4:00 pm to 8:00 pm
Strike Out Hunger
High Rollers, Gallitzin
- **SATURDAY, NOV 4**
10:00 am to 1:00 pm
Turkey & Food Collection
Imler's Poultry, Duncansville
- **SATURDAY, NOV 18**
9:00 am to Noon
"Souper" Fundraiser
SVDP Soup Kitchen, Altoona



SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 4

10:00 am to 1:00 pm

IMLER'S Poultry

Old Route 764, Duncansville

Benefits Assumption Chapel
Food Pantry, Altoona

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Strike Out Hunger

October 29 from 4-8pm at High Rollers in Gallitzin
400 Main St. Gallitzin, PA 16641.

\$15 per adult ticket

Includes 3 games of bowling, free shoe rental and food.
Children can play by-the-game
Basket auctions and 50/50 chances
Tee-shirts will be available for purchase at the event.

To register visit: bit.ly/macbowl
Questions? Contact Jenna Weyandt
at 814-886-6398 or jweyandt@mtaloy.edu
Sponsored by Mount Aloysius College Bowling Club
Proceeds go to St. Vincent DePaul Food Pantry in Altoona.

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SAINT VINCENT DEPAUL SOCIETY'S SOUP KITCHEN

A "SOUPER" FUNDRAISER

THIS \$7.00 TICKET BUYS 1 QUART OF WEDDING SOUP
AND A LOAF OF ITALIAN BREAD

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 18, 2017
9:00AM - NOON

PICK UP YOUR SOUP AND ENJOY A CUP OF COFFEE WITH SISTER PAULA
BUY A BAKED GOOD OR TWO!

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SOUP PREPARED BY DELGROSSO FOODS

