

Dear friends in Christ,

THIS WEEKEND WE CELEBRATE THE FEAST DAY OF SAINT VINCENT DE PAUL.

This is a great opportunity to highlight one of the most important ministries of our parishes, the St. Vincent de Paul Society.

The work of the St. Vincent de Paul society is grounded in the life and charism of St. Vincent. Born into a peasant family in the 1580's, St Vincent de Paul became known for his love of the poor and his charity. He founded a missionary order of priests, an order of religious women devoted to the care of the poor and sick, and lay organizations to help those in need. With God's grace, St. Vincent became an 'apostle' of charity. He founded the St. Vincent de Paul Society to help people in need in concrete ways.

St. Vincent's outlook on the world and his wisdom inspires the work of the society and is relevant to us all. St. Vincent wrote:

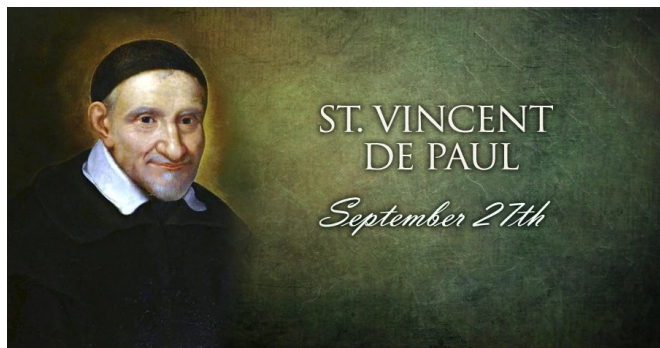
"We must love our neighbor as being made in the image of God and as an object of His love."

"Make it a practice to judge persons and things in the most favorable light at all times and under all circumstances."

"Charity is the cement which binds Communities to God and persons to one another . . .

I think much of this wisdom can be of help to us today. We need more charity and love, to each other, those in need, but especially to those differ with us. Truly, "Charity is the cement which binds Communities to God and persons to one another"

Let us all seek to be instruments of God's mercy and love as was St. Vincent de Paul.



PLEASE SUPPORT THE WORK OF THE ST. VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY IN OUR PARISHES.

I write all this as way of invitation....to generously support the work of St. Vincent de Paul financially and to consider volunteering.

Members of St. Vincent de Paul (known as "Vincentians") are men and women who strive to grow spiritually by offering person-to-person service to neighbors in need. Vincentians understand that service to a neighbor in need is an encounter with our Lord Jesus Christ, and are aware that poverty, suffering, and loneliness are present for so many in our community.

We are very blessed with our own St. Vincent de Paul Societies in our parishes. There is one Conference at St Jude to serve Redmond and one at Holy Innocents to serve the territory of St Anthony and Holy Innocents. They use the funds we donate as parishioners to provide direct, concrete assistance to families in our parish and local community. They depend on our generosity and on volunteer members to meet with families in need. The needs these are particularly great.

I want to ask you to prayerfully to consider two things:

1. *I invite you to pray about making a monthly donation to SVDP to help the needy in our area. You can make your pledge online in the giving portal of our website. It goes to direct assistance of those in need.*

2. *Pray about becoming a Vincentian. Perhaps the Lord is calling you to this ministry. You will be doing the Lord's work, really helping people and I have no doubt you will be transformed by the experience.*

For more information about volunteering for this wonderful organization, please contact:

At St. Jude: Diane Murphy
SVDP@stjude-redmond.org

At Holy Innocents and St. Anthony:
Connie Dunn connie@conniedunn.com

Finally, I would like to offer my heartfelt thanks to all our Vincentians for the great work they do in our name helping those in need. May God surround you all will with an abundance of his Joy, Peace and Love!

Sincerely in Christ,
Fr. Johnson

WEEKLY CALENDAR

Monday, September 29

9:00 AM Daily Mass
10:00 AM Women of Faith

Tuesday, September 30

No Daily Mass
5:30 PM Faith Formation K-6

Wednesday, October 1

8:30 AM Confessions
9:00 AM Daily Mass
7:00 PM House of Prayer
7:00 PM Gospel Choir Rehearsal
(for 11AM Masses)

Thursday, October 2

9:00 AM Daily Mass
12:15 PM Steps to Freedom
1:00 PM Rosary Cenacle
6:30 PM Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal
(for 9AM Masses)
7:00 PM First Reconciliation Parent Meeting
7:00 PM OCIA
7:30 PM Knights of Columbus
General Meeting

Friday, October 3

9:00 AM Daily Mass
9:30 AM Benediction then Adoration until 9PM
10:00 AM Guardians & Angels
7:00 PM Holy Hour

Saturday, October 4

3:30 PM Confessions
5:00 PM Saturday Vigil Mass
Wine & Cheese after Mass

Sunday, October 5

9:00 AM Sunday Mass
11:00 AM Sunday Mass
Coffee & Donuts after both Masses
1:00 PM Blessing of the Pets
1:30 PM Confirmation Class Session #2

FIRST RECONCILIATION MEETING



SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

**First Reconciliation Parent Information Night
With Fr. Johnson**

Thursday October 2, 2025 7PM Parish Hall

All parents preparing their child for Sacraments this year are required to attend this information session. The children receiving are not required to attend but at least one parent of the child is expected to attend. For more information, email joan@stjude-redmond.org

HAPPY PRIESTHOOD SUNDAY!

Thank you, Fr. Johnson & Fr. Raphael



Lord, in your loving kindness, you sent your Son to be our shepherd and guide. Fr. Johnson and Fr. Raphael continue Christ's ministry of working in the vineyard by sustaining and guiding your holy people. Thank you for the gift of them and bless them both this Priesthood Sunday and always. Let your Spirit uphold them in their days of service to the people of this parish family.

*"Gracious and loving God,
we thank you for the gift of our priests.
Through them, we experience your presence
in the sacraments.
Help our priests to be strong in their vocation.
Set their souls on fire with love for your people.
Grant them the wisdom, understanding,
and strength they need to
follow in the footsteps of Jesus.
Inspire them with the vision of your Kingdom.
Give them the words they need to spread the Gospel.
Allow them to experience joy in their ministry.
Help them to become instruments of your divine grace.
We ask this through Jesus Christ,
who lives and reigns as our Eternal Priest.
Amen."*

USCCB Prayer for Priests

