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FROM THE HEART



A MONTHLY SVDP MKE VINCENTIAN NEWSLETTER



SVDP Society Safeguarding
Milwaukee Council

- [Safeguarding Explanation Flyer](#)
- Milwaukee Council [Safeguarding Policy](#)
- [Process to Register](#)

The Milwaukee District Council Safeguarding Policy requires all **prospective and current members who interact with Those We Serve to complete Safeguarding training**. For those who have absolutely NO PUBLIC INTERACTION (NPI) with Those We Serve, we still must record this status on the CMG Connect database.



CALENDAR OF EVENTS

AUG

9 Voice for the Poor Committee 9AM

13 Crossroads Kitchen Block Party

14 Harambee Kitchen Block Party

14 ServWare Workshop 9:30AM

27-30 National Assembly- Louisville, KY

SEPT

1 Both Meal Sites / Council Office Closed

1 Thrift Stores Open 9AM-4PM

11 *Giving from the Heart* Gala

18 Conference President Meeting

24 Growth & Revitalization Committee Meeting 4:15PM

25 Resource Fair 10:30AM

See page 3 for details.

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In Memoriam

Rose Lue-Hing

St. Martin de Porres



*May her soul and the souls of
all the faithful departed through
the mercy of God, rest in peace.*

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A prayer for Our Vincentian Ministry

Loving God, You tell us to love one another as You have loved us. As we gather to discuss our work, our responsibilities and make our plans for the future, help us to keep You in every thought, moment and action.

Open our eyes. Help us to see everyone as our brothers and sisters and all of us as your family, each created by You to add to the beauty of Your creation in this time and place.

Open our hearts. Help us to hear their stories and unite with them in their situations so we might have an intimate understanding of what they are dealing with.

Open our minds. Let your Holy Spirit inspire us to find answers. Do not allow us to replace Your holy will with our personal will. You, Lord, know what is best for them and for us. Let your Divine Providence bless them with the help they need.

Open our hands. Our sacred responsibility is to complete the work You have entrusted to us and to be a reflection of Your loving Presence in their time of need bringing compassion, comfort and hope of better things to come.

Help us to lift them up to You in heartfelt prayer for healing, fulfillment and the restoration of being that You desire for all. Let us also discover the blessings You have bestowed on us in this ministry of love. Amen

prayer by Dennis Pehoski
Spiritual Advisor, All Saints conference



Vincentian Events



- **Vincentian Awareness Month** begins on September 28th and continues through October. Thank fellow parishioners for their support, inform them of your works and needs and invite new members. Stay tuned for resource updates in September. Share the good news of Vincentian Life!
- **ServWare Workshop** | **Thursday, August 14** | 9:30AM-11:30AM | Wauwatosa Public Library Firefly Room | 7635 W. North Ave. ~ This workshop is for experienced users or conference administrators of ServWare. We will provide details on the latest updates and offer an opportunity for review of your conference configurations. This is a chance to bring your questions so we can help correct issues. Bring your own device! [Please RSVP](#) by August 11th.
- **Pallium Lecture** | **Thursday, September 4** | 7PM | Brookfield Conference Center | 325 S. Moorland Rd. ~ Join Archbishop Grob in this free annual event open to the public. Information and registration: archmilregfox.com/pallium-lecture-2025
- **Conference Presidents Meeting** | **Thursday, September 18** ~ This is an opportunity to connect with conference presidents in your area, share ideas and resources and offer support. Save the date. Details forthcoming by email.
- **Resource Fair** | **Thursday, September 25** | 10:30AM- 12:00PM | Wauwatosa Public Library Firefly Room | 7635 W. North Ave. ~ Presentations and resources will equip Vincentians with knowledge on helpful services for neighbors in need. A highlight presentation will be on FoodShare information by Hunger Task Force. More information coming soon. Save the date!
- **Conference Secretary & Treasurer Workshop** | **Thursday, October 2** | 12:30PM- 2:30PM | Wauwatosa Public Library Firefly Room | 7635 W. North Ave. ~ This workshop is ideal for those who are new to their roles as Secretary, Treasurer or President. Topics include duties of Secretary and Treasurer, requirements of IRS & SVDP Rule, detailed review of Annual Report sections, ServWare summary, tools and resources.
- **Vincentian Appreciation Breakfast & Annual Meeting** | **Saturday, October 25** | 9:00AM-11:30AM | St. Margaret Mary Parish Sampon Hall | 3970 N 92 St. ~ Enjoy breakfast on us as we join in fellowship and prayer, honor milestone years of service followed by the annual membership meeting. Save the date.
- **Ozanam Orientation** | **Saturday, November 8** | 9:00AM-2:00PM | Christ King Parish Center | 2604 N. Swan Blvd.~ New members are asked to attend an orientation within the first year of Society membership. Learn history, heritage and home visit basics which will enrich your understanding of your Vincentian call to service. [Register by October 31st.](#)

Giving from the Heart Gala Tickets ON SALE NOW!



Early Bird Pricing until August 29

Individual Tickets: \$100 - (after 8/29 - \$125)

Table of 8: \$700 - (after 8/29 - \$800)

Order online or mail check to:

St. Vincent de Paul Society of Milwaukee

Attn: 2025 Gala

PO Box 26537

Milwaukee, WI 53226

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Click to Order Gala Tickets

<https://one.bidpal.net/svdpmilw25>

Thursday, September 11, 2025

St. John Cathedral Atrium

812 N Jackson St.

Doors open at 6:00pm

Valet parking provided





Giving from the Heart Gala

Thurs, September 11, 2025 | St. John Cathedral Atrium, Milwaukee

We could use your help!

**THE SILENT AUCTION BASKETS DONATED BY OUR
CONFERENCES ARE AMAZING!
BASKET THEMES AND ITEMS WE ALREADY HAVE
INCLUDE...**

**Milwaukee Brewers Basket
Christmas Basket
Lottery Ticket Basket
Handmade Quilt
American Club Get-Away
Wines for Wine Pull Fun**

**Please contact the Gala planning team if you need ideas or if
you have a basket for us to pick up. We can even do the
shopping for you with your monetary donation!**

**Laurie Jacobs (815)861-4645
Penny Krafczyk (414) 315-1441
Maggie Paruzynski (414)801-2104
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Thrift Stores



All three Thrift Stores
will be open 9:00AM-
4:00PM on Monday,
September 1st.

Thrift Store Quick Links
[Beds Sizing Visual Guide](#)
[Delivery Letter for Customers-updated](#)
[Donation Guidelines](#)
[How to Issue a Gift Certificate Guide](#)
[Como Llenar Los Comprobantes de Regalo](#)
[Text Club Flyer](#) [Club de texto](#)

**out
with the old.**



Still have some of the old paper vouchers around? Please check your supply boxes and file cabinets. These paper vouchers are NO LONGER VALID. Please help us out by shredding or destroying those old voucher pads!

Vouchers for Used Appliance Store transactions are also revised. Also take a quick look at the Red Cares Card that you have in stock. Updated card states, *"You must take all items with you at time of certificate redemption unless delivery has been arranged."*

Conference Name St. Edward
Conference Address 4506 S. Green St.
Reference St. Vincent de Paul Store at 2320 W. Lincoln Avenue Milwaukee 53225 Date 11/7/17
Furnish to Ms. Susan Smith
Address 1111 Vine
Write out quantity Two to be paid
three dollars each
(Sixty five dollars)
Misc. housewares
not to exceed \$40.00
(forty)

Conference Gift Certificate
Date issued: _____
Expires 30 days from date of issue.
Furnish to (with identification required)
Name: _____
Address: _____
Phone: _____
Print Quantity (Ex. One not 1)
☐ Stove ☐ Electric / Gas
☐ Refrigerator ☐ Washer / Dryer
☐ Dishwasher ☐ Microwave / Gas
☐ Other _____
☐ Delivery/Installation
☐ Appliance Repair
Size Restrictions (L/W/H): _____
Print Maximum Dollar Amount: (Ex. One hundred dollars NOT \$100)
Print special instructions: _____
Conference Name & Address: _____
Names of visiting Team: _____

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL GIFT CERTIFICATE REDEMPTION

- Neighbor must be present with their picture ID.
- Check in with the customer service desk.
- You will be given a list of items/dollar amount that you may select.
- You must take all items with you at time of certificate redemption unless delivery has been arranged.
- Certificates must be redeemed within 60 days of issue.
- Certificates may be used at any of our 3 stores.

WAYS TO GET DISCOUNTS AT THE SVDP THRIFT STORES:

- Every week there is color tagged merchandise that is 50% off.
- In addition, there are always clothing items tagged at .99 per piece.
- From Monday through Thursday students, seniors and military receive 10% off their purchase with a valid ID.
- Every week there is a text coupon that is sent directly to the neighbor when they sign up for the text club. Sign up by texting SVDP to 18338430126.

Neighbors Note: _____

GREENFIELD 4476 S. 108 St. 414-377-9077

Mon.- Sat. 9:00AM - 7:00PM Sun. 11:00AM-6:00PM

Donations Mon. - Sat. 10AM-5PM Sun. 11AM-4PM

LINCOLN 2320 W. Lincoln Ave. 414-672-2040

Mon.- Fri. 9:00AM - 7:00PM Sat. 9:00AM-6:00PM

Sun. Closed

Donations Mon. - Sat. 10AM-5PM

BRADLEY 8010 N. 76 St. 414-363-8099

Mon.- Fri. 9:00AM - 7:00PM Sat. 9:00AM-6:00PM

Sun. Closed

Donations Mon. - Sat. 10AM-5PM

Donations Pick-Up Line 414-462-7863 Ext. 113



Volunteers Needed

Please consider volunteering for a shift to celebrate with our meal guests at the annual block parties. Click the location links to sign up on Sign-Up Genius.

[Cross Roads Kitchen](#)

[Harambee Kitchen](#)

Hands of Christ Conference Annual
St. Vincent de Paul
Meal Program
BBQ Block Party 2025!

**CROSS
ROADS
KITCHEN**

BBQ



Block

PARTY

Highlights:

- Mouthwatering BBQ Delights
- Refreshing Drinks & Beverages

• Live Music
• Courage MKE Children's Area
• Bounce House
• Door Prizes & MORE!

Wednesday August 13th 2025
4PM - 7PM
SVDP Crossroads Kitchen
931 W. Madison Street Milw.
414-649-9555

 **Christ King** CATHOLIC PARISH

 **HUNGER
TASK FORCE**

 **ENZO'S RENTALZ**

 **TEAM UNIFIED**



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Thursday August 14th 2025
4PM - 7PM
SVDP Harambee Kitchen
2600 N. 2nd Street Milw.
414-249-3866

 **St. Monica's
of Whitefish Bay**

 **HUNGER
TASK FORCE**

 **ENZO'S RENTALZ**

 **TEAM UNIFIED**



Meal Program



Volunteer availability is reduced in the summer- WE NEED VINCENTIANS to help serve meals to our guests. Introduce your family and friends to this wonderful opportunity to learn about our meal program! Please continue to pre-register for serving shifts. Click on the location links below for calendars on Sign-Up Genius.

Meal Program Manager - Peggy West-Schroder
pwest@svdpmilw.org 414-722-1353

Meal Program Volunteer Sign-Up links



South Meal Site

Cross Roads Kitchen

931 W. Madison St.

414-649-9555

crossroads@svdpmilw.org

Serving

Sun.-Fri. 5:30PM-6:15PM

North Meal Site



Harambee Kitchen

2600 N. 2nd St.

414-249-3866

harambee@svdpmilw.org

Serving

Mon.-Fri. 5:30PM-6:15PM



Resource Highlights

Check the links on our website for resources: [Vincentian Resources](#)

Food Resources

- Hunger Task Force has an interactive map of pantries, meal sites and food distributions: [Get Food Help](#)
- Centers for Independence provides a [listings for Summer Meals](#) for those under age 19.

Housing Resources

- **City of Milwaukee Rental Assistance Housing Stability Program (HSP):** The HSP is a resource for eligible Milwaukee residents at risk of housing instability due to a temporary financial hardship. HSP offers up to 3 months of back rent (arrears); up to 1 month of future rent; and relocation funds (if applicable). [Click here](#) for more information on eligibility criteria.
- **Milwaukee Rental Housing Resource Center:** The RHRC walk-in clinic, located in the Community Advocates building at 728 N. James Lovell Street, Milwaukee operates Monday-Friday, 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Visit in person, go to [RentHelpMKE.org](#), or call 414-895-RENT (7368) for information.
- **Legal Aid Society of Milwaukee** has partnered with RHRC to help individuals who would like to remove past evictions from their CCAP Search. The free clinic is held on the **2nd Wednesday of each month 9am-4pm**. This is open to those in Milwaukee County who have dismissed evictions and completed payment plans only. The [next clinic](#) is on August 13th.

Energy Assistance

- Milwaukee County energy assistance does provide emergency crisis assistance. Households must have paid \$25 on their account in the past 3 months to qualify. Read about energy assistance programs at Keep Warm Milwaukee. Call 414-270-4653 or [go online](#).

Intake Summary

June 2025

Appliances- 105
Beds- 145
Food- 5
Furniture & Household- 193
Rent & Utilities- 9
Other- 40

Referrals Made to Conferences: 293

July 2025

Appliances- 151
Beds- 223
Food- 12
Furniture & Household- 330
Rent & Utilities- 17
Other- 69

Referrals Made to Conferences: 460

Council Office News

Staff Spotlight



Meet Melanie, Beth and Maria

Meet the team on the front line of your intake and referral, ServWare and membership assistance. We are happy to put our wisdom and wit together to be at your service!

For inquiries or consultation about assistance requests, contact **Melanie**, Intake Coordinator, at **414-667-0243**. She is the lead on intake processing, consultation and referrals.

For inquiries on conference supplies, membership updates, event registration, or general questions, contact **Beth**, our Administrative Specialist at **414-667-0240**. She is also the voice you'll hear when calling our general line, **414-462-7837**.

For inquiries on ServWare database support, training or trouble shooting, contact **Maria** at **414-667-0245**. In addition, she is at your service for growth & revitalization of conferences.

We appreciate you and are happy to serve your needs!

Contact Your SVDP Support Team

Intake line for basic needs requests 9AM-3PM 414-462-7837 ext 110

To Schedule Pick-Up 414-462-7863 ext. 113

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