

Utility Assistance



Housing Help

PLEASE

SUPPORT

Saint Vincent de Paul (SVDP) of St. Patrick Parish

Thanksgiving Raffle to Serve Those in Need

Drawing – **SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 12, 2023 - 1:00pm**

\$2 Donation per Ticket - \$20 for book of 10

Winner Need Not Be Present



1st Prize - \$500

2nd Prize - \$250

3rd Prize - \$100



Please return tickets to the St. Patrick's Rectory or in the Sunday collection

Make checks payable to "Society of St. Vincent de Paul"

Join us after 11:00 mass on November 12th for Fellowship and Raffle Drawing

If you would prefer to make a separate, single, tax-deductible donation in lieu of buying raffle tickets, please detach this portion to accompany your gift. Checks payable to "Society of St. Vincent de Paul".

Mail to: SVDP, 3602 Bridge Ave., Cleveland, OH 44113

Please accept the enclosed donation for \$ _____ to support the mission and work of the
St. Vincent de Paul Society at St. Patrick Parish.
(Please Print)

Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone or E-mail: _____

THANK YOU FOR YOUR GENEROSITY!

Dear Parishioners and Friends of St. Patrick,

Some 400 years ago, the man, St. Vincent de Paul, was an example of God's LOVE among us. He opened the hearts of many who had plenty, to love those who are often not accepted in our society. Inspired by his work, many have since engaged in the Ministry to serve others by treating them as children of God. We empathize with their personal pain and share with them God's Mercy and Love, His gift to all people.

Through the sacrament of Baptism, all Christians are called to love and minister to each and every person we encounter. Outside of the comfort of our personal lives, we are called to minister to all people, no matter their affliction. God's call is to welcome the lonely, the sick, the mentally ill, the marginalized, abused and wounded. He did this as an example through His son, Jesus.

A scripture verse inspired 6 sculptures, called the "**Matthew 25 Collection**", which were erected by the Community West Foundation around Cleveland. These images are calling us all to see our "neighbor" in a condition to show them God's Mercy and Love.

Here at St. Patrick our St. Vincent de Paul Society (SVDP) does this work every day, but they need your help to continue to provide these services year-round. Here are some of the ways your gifts can help us serve our neighbors:

- \$500 Can help a family avoid eviction or find emergency housing
- \$250 Can pay utility bills to keep the heat, lights or water
- \$100 Can buy warm coats and boots in the winter months
- \$50 Can help with bus fare for several individuals to get to medical appointments or a new job.
- \$25 Can buy groceries

Truly, I tell you, whatever you did for one of the least of these brothers and sisters of mine, you did it for me. (Matthew 25:40)

In spite of the severe restrictions during the Pandemic, SVDP still ministered to nearly **900** people so they would not end up on the streets, or be without electric and gas. Some even stood up and left their paralysis of being homeless. We did "work-a-rounds" to maintain healthy communication between us and those we serve. This year we "**invested-in**" and "**empowered**" many to a better quality of life using **MORE THAN \$70,000.00** thanks to the generosity of people like you.

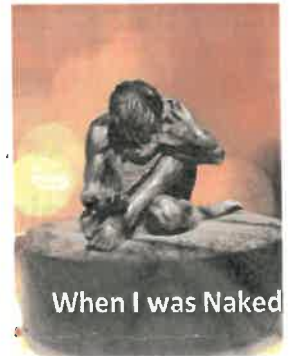
We thank all of you for your support to minister to God's children, our sisters and brothers, now our neighbors and friends.

Gratefully Yours in Christ,

SVDP Ministry of St. Patrick Parish



When I was in Prison



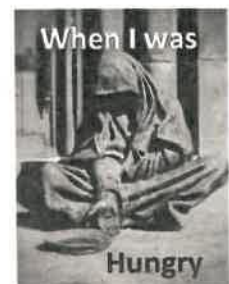
When I was Naked



When I was a Stranger



When I was Homeless



When I was

Hungry



When I was Sick