



The Society Scoop

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SOCIETY OF ST. VINCENT DE PAUL

January 2020

Upcoming Events

St. Louis Spring Assembly

Saturday, March 14
8 am - 1 p.m.
See details below.

Ozanam Orientations

Saturday, February 8, 2020

St. Theodore
5059 Highway P,
Wentzville, MO 63385

Saturday, April 18, 2020

Seven Holy Founders
6741 S Rock Hill Rd
St. Louis, MO 63123

Home Visit Trainings

201

Wednesday, February 19, 2020, 6:30-9:30

St. Joseph Cottleville, 1375
Motherhood Road,
Cottleville, MO 63304

101

Thursday, May 7, 2020, 6:30-9:30

Happy 175th Anniversary -- of the Society of St. Vincent de Paul in St. Louis!

You may have noticed our logo change at the top of this newsletter. **This year we are celebrating our 175th Anniversary of our founding in St. Louis!**

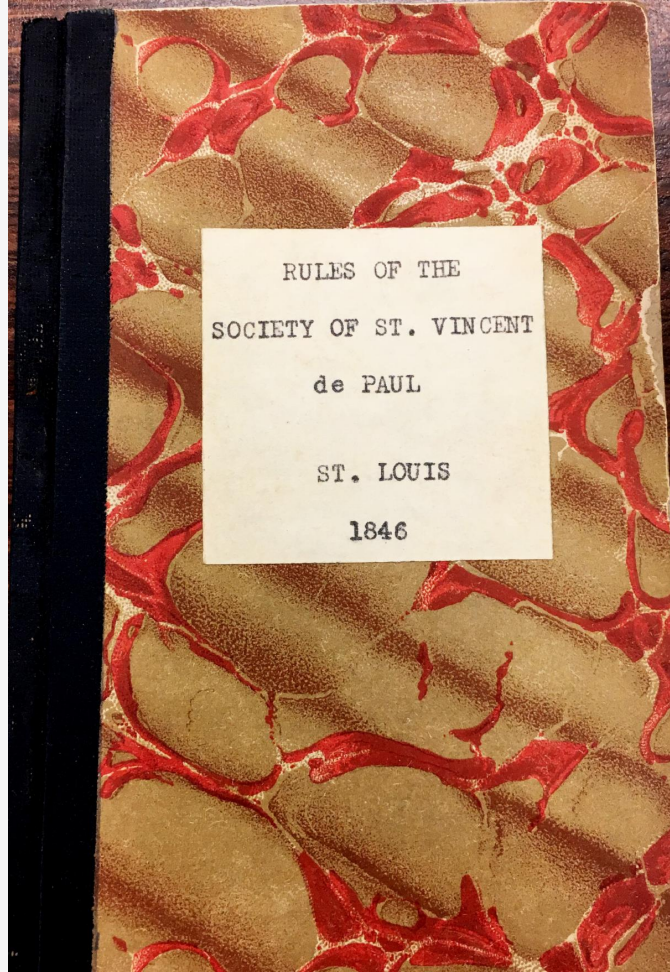
All year long we have special events and content planned to commemorate our long history in St. Louis.

Click on the image below for an exclusive look at different versions of the Vincentian Rule from our past, which will be posted to social media later this month.

Mary Mother of the Church,
5901 Kerth Road, St.
Louis, MO 63128

**For more information
about any of these
events or to register,
please visit our events
page
password: Vincent**

**Visit the SVdP
events page**



ST. LOUIS SPRING ASSEMBLY 2020

BRINGING
FREDERIC
OZANAM'S
VISION...

...INTO
20/20
FOCUS

Saturday, March 14, 2020, 8 am - 1 pm

St. Louis University High School

4970 Oakland Ave, St. Louis, MO 63110

Keynote Speaker: Father Paul Hoelsing
Vice Rector for Formation, Kenrick-Glennon Seminary



Meet fellow Vincentians
Share stories
Grow in your Vincentian vocation

Admission is free
Mass will be celebrated
Breakfast and lunch offered
Register at svdpstlouis.org/register

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[Click here to
register](#)

**Nominations Are Open for the
Archdiocesan Council President**

Reminder: Nominations are now open for the next three-year term of the President of the Archdiocesan Council Board of Directors.

Upcoming dates:

- *February 1, 2020:* Nominations are closed.
- *March 12, 2020:* District Presidents will elect the next president.
- *October 1, 2020:* The newly elected president will take office (or a reelected president will start a second term).

Each nominee will be asked to submit an [Autobiographical Statement](#), a [Platform Statement](#) (*click the links for more information about each*), and a photo of themselves. These should be mailed to:

Society of St. Vincent de Paul
Nominating Committee for the Council President
1310 Papin Street
St. Louis, MO 63103.

Election procedure guidelines can be found [here](#). If there are questions about this process, they can be directed to John Luth at jluth1@sbcglobal.net.

The basic roles and responsibilities of the president are at this [link](#). Desired Qualities in a Board Chair are at this [link](#).

Thank you and God bless,

Nominating Committee:

John Luth (chair), Jeanette Aubuchon, Bill Blow, Carole Johnson, Ray Suda

New Vincentian Programs & Strategic Partnerships Department

Julie Komanetsky, current manager of Strategic Partnerships, has been promoted to Director of Vincentian Programs and Strategic Partnerships. In this role,



Julie will be responsible for all Council Programs, such as the Bed, Car, Housing and Bridges programs. Plus, she will continue to collaborate with community partnerships to create and build programs that serve SVdP's Neighbors in Need. Tim Massey and Varrietta Anthony will work with her on those programs.

Meanwhile, John Heithaus will dedicate

Welcome Amanda Huber!



Amanda Huber has joined the Council Office staff as Executive Assistant to John Foppe. Amanda graduated with her Bachelor of Arts in Speech Communication - Interpersonal and Organizational Communication from Eastern Illinois University. She has moved across the globe and back with her

his expertise and energies to Vincentian Services Team as the Director of Vincentian Membership Services. As a part of John's team, Steve Rupp, Andrew Kassebaum, and Jim Sigillito, will expand formation, recruitment and revitalization efforts.



husband, Steven, 11 times in 18 years while he served in the U.S. Army. They are raising 6 children.

Please welcome Amanda and help her share the joy we find here in the Society of St. Vincent de Paul.

Please congratulate Julie and John! Together with their teams, SVdP grows our capacity to best serve Conferences and Vincentians

Free Tax Help for Neighbors

Neighbors in Need with a household income less than \$56,000 in 2019 qualify to receive help. Share locations and information found at the links with your Neighbors and help them **get free tax help.**



The St. Louis Tax Assistance Program (TAP), in partnership with the IRS, offers **free tax preparation services to low and moderate-income families.** TAP helps families obtain the tax credits they are eligible for and avoid costly income tax preparation fees.

[Click here for TAP times and locations](#)



Metro St. Louis Community Tax Coalition (MCTC) partners with TAP to reach more people who need tax help.

Locations and times can be found on their website along with the list of items the person needs to bring with them.

[Click here for MCTC times and locations](#)



The Gateway EITC Coalition also offers free federal and state tax preparation for low-income families.

Like TAP and MCTC, Gateway EITC is part of the IRS Volunteer Income Tax Assistance Program.

[Click here for Gateway EITC times and locations](#)

Catholic Men and Women for Christ Conferences

The Catholic Men for Christ and Catholic Women for Christ Conferences, sponsored by the Archdiocese of St. Louis, invite men and women to grow in their faith during a one-day event.

The Catholic Men for Christ Conference will be on **Saturday, February 1, 2020** and the Catholic Women for Christ Conference will be on **Saturday, March 7, 2020**. Both take place at the Touhill Performing Arts Center from 8:00 am - 4:00 pm.

All Vincentians are offered discounted tickets. \$15 tickets for Men for Christ can be purchased now through January 23. \$15 tickets for Women for Christ can be purchased now through February 23. Limit 2 per Vincentian.

For more information, contact Andrew Kassebaum at andrewk@svdpstl.org or 314-881-6008.



[Click here for more information about Men for Christ and to register](#)



[Click here for more information about Women for Christ and to register](#)

Voice of the Poor Committee

Facts on Medicaid and Medicaid Expansion

Medicaid in Missouri Today

- MO HealthNet is Medicaid.
- 66% of Medicaid funding comes from the Federal Government, 34% is funded by the State.
- In Missouri, public funds may not be used for abortions except to save the life of the mother.

Medicaid Expansion

- According to the Kaiser Family Foundation, approximately 219,000 more individuals will be eligible for coverage.
- 90% of Medicaid funding will come from the Federal Government, 10% will be funded by the State.
- 36 states and the District of Columbia have expanded Medicaid eligibility.

VOICE
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[Read more](#)

Help for Your Conference! Parish Bulletin Announcement Suggestions January - March 2020

You can work with your Parish secretary to get regular placements in your weekly bulletin. Bulletin placements help bring visibility to your SVdP Conference, donations and recruitment of Vincentians.

Remember, these are only suggestions to help you get SVdP visibility in your Parish. You can write your own or customize these for your specific Conference.

[Click here for bulletin announcement suggestions](#)

SVdP in the News



Fox 2 made a video about how one of our partners, Pathways to Progress, helped a mother achieve stability to care for her children.

Her advisor mentioned how Pathways's partnership with SVdP helped the mother get back on her feet.

[Click here to watch the video](#)



Tidbits from Elizabeth Barbieri

Activity is in the Air for 2020 at the Archdiocese Council of St. Louis.

The Council Office is offering great programs for us to learn how to better assist our families Our District Presidents and Conference members are ready for action as well. I see plans for our Mid-year Assembly and the Celebration of 175 years in the United States all



Catholics comfort, assist carjacking murder victim's family

The St. Louis Review wrote about how the St. Anselm Conference and St. Cecilia parish have come together to help the family of a carjacking victim.

Thank you to everyone who has helped this family and helped further the mission of the Society of St. Vincent de Paul

in the works.

Get ready Vincentians - it's going to be a wonderful year for us all!

Elizabeth M. Barbieri
Board President

[Click here to read the story](#)

Hardee's Rise and Shine for Heat SVdP Greeters Needed!

Hardee's 20th Annual Rise and Shine for Heat Up St. Louis.

Friday, February 14, 2020
during Breakfast Hours (6:30 am-10:00 am)

Hardee's needs Official Greeters to welcome customers and obtain additional donations. They're giving back 100% of the proceeds from the special \$1 Sausage or Egg Biscuit Sandwich offer.

Last year, over 700 volunteers helped raise \$570,000 for people without heat in St. Louis. **For every SVdP volunteer, SVdP receives a portion of the donations to help our Neighbors in need of heat.** Volunteers receive an apron and a free breakfast sandwich.

To volunteer, [please fill out the volunteer form](#) and send to Tim Massey at timothym@svdpstl.org.

[Click here for the list of locations.](#)

For more information contact Tim Massey at timothym@svdpstl.org or (314) 881-6028

[Click here to view the volunteer form](#)



Do you come from a line of Vincentian family members? Do you have any connection to SVdP's history and founding?

Please share your story with us!

Email Gena (genab@svdpstl.org) and Elizabeth (elizabethh@svdpstl.org) answering these questions:

1. What is your connection?
2. Why did you become a Vincentian?
3. How does your connection inspire your Vincentian journey?
4. Do you have any fun stories relating to your connection?

5. Do you have any pictures, memorabilia or relics of SVdP to share?

You could be featured in a 2020 Vincentian newsletter and on social media. And thank you to those who have already shared their stories!

YOUR IRA CAN HELP A FAMILY IN NEED TODAY!

70½ years old or older? You can get tax benefits and benefits a Neighbor in Need. It's simple!

YOU CAN MAKE A DIFFERENCE!

To learn more, contact your financial advisor or Ryan Carney at 314.881.6003, ryanc@svdpstl.org

BENEFITS OF GIVING TO SVDP FROM YOUR IRA



SEE THE IMPACT

Your gift gives hope and help to thousands of Neighbors in Need.



PAY NO TAXES

Pay no income taxes when you give from \$500 to \$100,000 and on the gift. Even if you do not itemize, you receive a tax benefit.



SATISFY IRA DISTRIBUTION REQUIREMENTS

Your charitable distribution to SVdP can satisfy all or part of the amount of your required minimum distribution from your IRA.

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