Lent presents an opportunity to address what may be separating us from God. It may be a person, place, or thing or a recurring sin. We usually have little trouble identifying where we fall short.

The next step is key: praying to God for guidance and strength. A simple: “Help me out here, Lord” can assist us in making the necessary changes and corrections. Asking God for help can make all the difference.

Finally, we should persist. The evil one will try to convince us that we are unworthy and incapable of succeeding. Remember, that Jesus died for us BECAUSE we are sinners and that we are made in the image and likeness of God. In other words, even in our sinful and broken state, we are essentially good.

Through prayer and persistence, we can have a closer relationship with God, and not just for 40 days.

Designed to highlight the who, what, why and how of Vincentian life, Ozanam Orientations are beneficial to both new and long-time Vincentians.

Please mark your calendars for the following sessions:
(both include a continental breakfast and lunch)

Saturday, March 21st
8:40 a.m. to 2:30 p.m.
St. Thomas More Parish
4170 N Amber Dr.
Brooklyn, OH 44144

Saturday, April 25th
8:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m.
St. Francis de Sales Parish
4019 Manchester Rd.
Akron, OH 44319

For more information, please contact Gary Sole:
216-696-6525 x. 3590 or gsole@svdpcle.org

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Home Visit Training
March 19 • 6 PM
Immaculate Conception, Willoughby

Ozanam Orientations
(see pg. 1)

CMS Training
April 18 • 8 AM
Immaculate Conception, Willoughby

Volunteer Appreciation Dinner
(for hunger centers volunteers)
April 20 • 5:30 PM
St. Patrick on Bridge Ave.

KY Derby Party Fundraiser
May 2 • 4-8 PM
Great Lakes Brewing Co.

Invitation for Renewal
July 29-Aug. 2
St. Louis, MO

National Assembly
September 2-5
St. Louis, MO

Blanket Sunday
October 10-11

Vincentian Communion Breakfast
TBD

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Dear Vincentians,

I am so proud of, and humbled by, the work we do – and I believe you should be as well!

Here’s our collective impact this last fiscal year (based on the Conference Annual reports):

Visits to people: 21,600
Total people assisted: 212,400
People assisted with food: 168,000

Food and emergency help: $5,967,000 (of these, on eviction/homelessness prevention): $448,400
Items distributed: 210 beds/mattresses + 6,000 blankets ($60K value) + school and toiletries supplies to schools ($40K value)

All this is accomplished by: 5 full-time and 3 part-time staff, plus 2,585 members and volunteers

Total impact in the community: $8,748,000

I can only say ‘thank you.’ Thank you for your love for others. Thank you for your commitment to our mission. Thank you for being part of this amazing organization. Thank you for allowing me and our small (though mighty) staff to work with you and for you.

I deeply believe that God watches over us. And I hope He is pleased. Thank you, Lord! Please guide us and inspire us always as we strive to do Your work. Amen.

Anelise Nader, CEO

Kentucky Derby Party Coverage on WKYC

In case you missed it, SVDP was featured recently on WKYC’s “We the People” show. Click below to watch:

General individual admission is $65 (before April 3rd) and $75. Reserved tables of 8 cost $800. Sponsorships and 50/50 raffle tickets (winner need not be present) are also available for purchase. Order tickets online at Eventbrite or mail your check to:

St. Vincent de Paul Society
Kentucky Derby Party
1404 East 9th Street-3rd Floor
Cleveland, OH 44114

For questions, contact Natalie Schrimpf
216-696-6525 x. 2520
nschrimpf@svdpcle.org

William & Karen Allport
Community West Foundation
Robert & Susan Price
Unity Catholic Federal Credit Union
The Society of St. Vincent de Paul Insurance Program encompasses commercial property, liability and automobile coverage.

**Commercial Property Insurance**
Coverage is provided for our buildings, businesses, personal property, loss of income and extra expenses after a covered claim.

**Liability Insurance**
Our liability insurance policy helps to financially protect our assets, and provides coverage for the following: injury or damage caused by our goods or services; offenses that arise as a result of advertising our goods and services; false arrest, libel, slander, privacy violations, and wrongful eviction; and wrongful acts by our directors. It is important to note that both employees and volunteers are included as “insureds.” Insured persons also include our officials, trustees, board members, insurance managers, administrators, students in training, not-for-profit members and independent contractors (social service professionals who are not classified as employees) with respect to their liability for services provided on our behalf.

The Society also maintains Physical Abuse, Sexual Misconduct or Sexual Molestation Liability Coverage for claims associated with an allegation of abuse, including defense costs for innocent individuals.

**Automobile Coverage**
Our automobile coverage is provided for hired and non-owned autos, as well as for our owned vehicles. Our auto policy includes: a broad definition of insured, including in most cases anyone else using a covered auto with permission; worldwide coverage when traveling in most locations; coverage for newly-acquired autos for up to 30 days; and defense costs outside of policy limits, preserving our policy limits.

We have an Umbrella policy to provide additional liability limits and broader coverage in addition to our primary liability policies.

Data Breach is a growing issue for every organization that collects and stores personal information about customers, employees, volunteers, and others. The Society also maintains Data Breach coverage.

If you have questions about our comprehensive insurance program, contact Gary Sole at gsole@svdpcle.org or 216-696-6525 x. 3590.

**COVID-19 Coronavirus Information**
This week, National Council’s E-Gazette published timely information regarding the coronavirus and home visits.

**SVDP DISTRICT MEETING**

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**More Than a Name**
The Meaning Behind “Holy Moments”


“The key is Holy Moments. Holy Moments bring to life Christian values, character, and virtue. These values and virtues embody how we yearn to be treated as human beings. By treating people with good character, values, and virtue, we remind them of what too many of them have never discovered: We are children of God, and along with that comes a birthright to be treated with love, kindness and dignity.

This is the most significant fact in the history of Christianity: Whenever and wherever you find men, women and children striving to create Holy Moments, Christianity has always thrived.”

And this is so true of Vincentian life: whenever we strive to create Holy Moments, our Society thrives. God bless!

Ed Leszynski