



Holy Moments Newsletter Winter 2026

I hope you enjoy this newly formatted Holy Moments. In this edition we say goodbye to Bob Kellner, our longtime, dedicated driver, responsible for the delivery of food to our pantries, beds, bedding, and diapers to Ozanam Centers and individual parishes, and many other items to support SVDP and our partners over the years.

Please check out the new SVDP website, svdpcl.org, co-developed by Dan Fuerst of Briefcase Marketing. Our webpage is now much cleaner, up to date with correct phone numbers, addresses, pantry hours, etc. and generally easier to navigate. Let me know what you think and suggest additional features we can include.

You'll find information inside on becoming a Vincentian and highlighting a vitally important SVDP resource, the Message Ministry, led by Barb Sivak. Our message ministers are the front-end of our assistance process, directing all of our neighbors in need, when they call for help, to the proper SVDP conference. This is a wonderful group of about 15 dedicated people that manage our call center. The Message Ministry is a great volunteer opportunity, too. Please reach out to me if there is interest in joining this fun group at jbedell@svdpcl.org.

Finally, we concluded our Blanket Sunday drive at year end and the response was overwhelming. Thank you for your support, none of this would be possible without you! We also think the new dedicated website (blanketsunday.org), radio spots, billboards, and email marketing proved very worthwhile. This year we added 11 new parishes to the campaign, bringing our total to 172! (There are about 184 total parishes in the Diocese.)

I hope 2026 brings you a year full of good health, success and many blessings!



Jack Bedell



A New Era for the Logistics Team

This past month, we said goodbye to one of our most reliable employees, Bob Kellner. SVDP's Logistics Manager for over six years, Bob never missed a chance to go...

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We have exciting news!

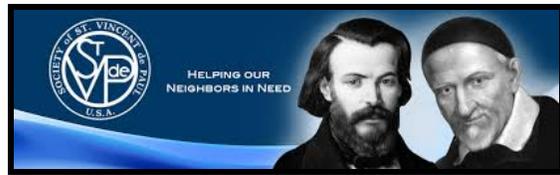
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Want to join SVDP?

The Society of St. Vincent de Paul's mission is brought to life by over 2,000 local 'Vincentians' and volunteers — neighbors helping neighbors. There are so many ways our volunteers help keep SVDP running, and here are two ways you can join SVDP..

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News from National

Last year, St. Vincent de Paul saw the power of person-to-person service in action across the country:

- Served: 5,257,537 people
- Visited: 1,999,884 neighbors in need
- Provided: Over \$2billion in Vincentian services
- Opened a national office in Washington, D.C. to elevate the voices of those in need...

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