

St. Vincent de Paul Annual Report

The following is a report for the St. Lawrence Conference, St. Vincent de Paul Society, for fiscal year 2019. We currently have twelve active members who contributed 3,474 hours of service within the St. Lawrence Parish boundaries. Requests for assistance from the SVDP Help Line included:

- 201 Food requests
- 44 Thanksgiving food baskets
- 53 Christmas food and gifts (110 children)
- 191 Rent, utility, and other financial requests
- 398 Distribution Center requests for furniture, appliances, household items, clothing, etc.

Partnering with St. Philip Neri and with continued support and funding by the Indianapolis SVDP Council, we hosted our fifth "Changing Lives Forever" workshop designed for individuals who want to work toward a better life. St. Lawrence has graduated 51 individuals from this 18-week program since 2015, many of whom have made strides to improve their lives financially, emotionally, and spiritually. We continue to support our graduates with meetings and with mentors. Volunteers have become mentors, prayer partners, and helped with meals. We have taken a version of this program designed for use in prisons into the Indiana Women's Prison and also the men's facility in Pendleton and Heritage Trails.

The Sunshine Committee sent Easter, Thanksgiving, and Christmas cards to shut-ins. There were 38 Mass intentions for deceased parishioners. Funeral luncheons were served to 22 families.

Parish volunteers contributed 947 hours at the Client Choice Food Pantry and 713 hours at the SVDP Distribution Center.

The SVDP twinning program supports conferences in Qualguaque, Leon, Nicaragua, and Chile, S.A.

Beginning Balance (10/1/2018):		\$ 2,043.86
5 th Sunday Collections	\$ 11,796.00	
Memorial Donations	6,690.00	
Funeral Luncheon Donations	2,095.00	
Thanksgiving/Christmas Donations	30.00	
Member Donations	779.50	
Legacy Gift Transferred	9,602.45	
Other Income	1,312.47	
Total Income:		\$ 32,305.42
Rent	\$ 2,946.77	
Utilities	10,564.83	
Food Pantry	782.90	
Thanksgiving Food	211.22	
Christmas Gifts/Supplies/Food	209.43	
Medical & Other Client Aid	496.14	
Funeral Luncheons	1,501.37	
Twinning	800.00	
SVDP Annual Dues	318.00	
Mass Stipends	380.00	
Administration	209.77	
Total Expenses:		\$ 18,420.43
Ending Balance September 30, 2019:		\$ 15,928.85

These works of charity are made possible by the wonderful support of our St. Lawrence Parishioners through donations and volunteer service.

"Amen, I say to you, whatever you did for one of these least brothers of mine, you did for me"

Matthew 25:40