

St. Vincent de Paul Society
St. Richard Parish
Fourth Quarter Report to Parishioners

Dear Parishioners:

We thank you for your generous donations! With your help, we continue to offer compassion, financial aid and resources to people who struggle to meet their daily basic needs. A core group of members meet on the second Thursday evening of each month in the rectory basement in the Board room at 7:30 p.m. Anyone interested is welcome.

Home Visits: In this major program of St. Vincent de Paul, we visit and help any family in urgent need. Examples are families who are about to be evicted, whose gas or electricity is about to be turned off, who cannot afford to buy the next refill of their medicines or are in need of food. We visit households within our parish boundaries. This past quarter we visited and helped 73 families. The chart below summarizes the monetary assistance we gave during the fourth quarter of 2010.

Month	Utilities	Housing	Food	Transportation	Total
Oct.	\$1654.36	\$ 775.00	\$ 23.75		\$ 2453.11
Nov.	\$1176.81		\$95.01	\$100.00	\$ 1371.82
Dec.	\$ 795.54		\$87.95		\$ 883.49
TOTAL	\$3626.71	\$ 775.00	\$ 206.71	\$100.00	\$ 4708.42

of Families Assisted = (Oct.) 28 + (Nov.) 20 + (Dec.) 25 = 73

Casserole Program: In this program parishioners cook and serve dinner once a month to the poor and homeless at St. Vincent de Paul Church. This quarter we served or left food for approximately 459 persons on our nights (the last Saturday of each month). For more information about this program, call Mary Lou Johnson, 432-2741 or Mary Ann Adams, 432-6950. Due to Christmas falling on the last Sat. we did not have a meals program in December.

Sandwich Program: In this program, parishioners make sandwiches every two weeks to be taken to Sts. Peter and Paul Church downtown for the Men's Shelter. This program runs from November thru March and began on Monday, November 8th and will end on Monday, March 28th. Through Nov. & Dec. our parishioners made 880 sandwiches to be delivered to Sts. Peter & Paul. For more information, call Peg Bischof, 569-3855.

Through the Turkey Tuesday program sponsored by SVDP, St. Louis Council and Wal Mart, we were able to provide turkeys to 7 of our client families along with 4 other clients through a parishioner's donation. Also, through a special donation, we provided those 7 clients with boxes of food and household cleaning items.

We would like to thank all who donated to the Giving Tree. Through your generosity, many families had a wonderful Christmas.

To all who have helped in these or any other works of the St. Vincent de Paul Society, with donations of time and/or money, Thank You! To anyone interested in helping or would like to ask a question, please call Dale Johnson, 997-7289