

Happy Thanksgiving



St. Vincent de Paul Annual Report

The St. Vincent de Paul Society wishes a Happy Thanksgiving to all those who have gathered here today to worship God and give Him thanks for the bountiful blessings in our lives. We would also like to express our gratitude to all our parishioners for their support of the St. Vincent de Paul ministry. Through your generosity, St. Stephen's St. Vincent de Paul group was able to help build the kingdom of God during the past year by assisting families both in our parish and in our community who found themselves in difficult or emergency situations, such as loss of a spouse, loss of a job, medical emergency, etc.

Each month, the St. Vincent de Paul ministry sponsors a food drive. Your non-perishable items and household products donations are shared with needy parishioners as well as community members through the Tinley Park Food Pantry. Equally as important is our financial assistance to those who are suffering. The confidential and compassionate ministry of St. Vincent de Paul witnesses God's love by meeting and praying with those who request financial aid and assessing their true needs. Through the generous donations of our parishioners through our "Little Black St. Vincent de Paul Boxes" on each side of the Narthex, our ministry is able to help support people's basic human needs such as shelter (rent, mortgage, utilities), food, and their ability to get to/from work (car payments). The chart below is an itemized accounting of how the St. Vincent de Paul ministry has distributed your generous donations to the poor and needy during our 2016 Fiscal Year.

God bless you for your kindness and generosity.

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Rent	\$14,507.94	31.6%
Mortgage	\$11,520.59	25.1%
Food	\$4,000.00	8.7%
Utilities	\$2,804.80	6.1%
Car Payment	\$2,300.88	5.0%
Gift Cards	\$1,550.00	3.4%
SVDP Chicago "Fund for the Poor"	\$1,500.00	3.3%
Day Care	\$1,250.00	2.7%
Insurance	\$1,084.06	2.4%
SVDP National Disaster Fund	\$1,000.00	2.2%
Tinley Park Food Pantry	\$1,000.00	2.2%
Twinning	\$860.00	1.9%
Medical Expenses	\$631.00	1.4%
Thanksgiving Dinner	\$500.00	1.1%
Freezer	\$388.51	0.8%
SVdP District X meeting at church	\$312.59	0.7%
Parishioner Financial Aid	\$258.25	0.6%
Diaconate Program	\$200.00	0.4%
Office Supplies	\$112.51	0.2%
Men's Club Sponsor	\$100.00	0.2%
Counseling	\$40.00	0.1%
Total:	\$45,881.13	100.0%



Highlights:

- Your generosity to the SVdP Little Black Boxes helps to bring God's Love to the poor.
- Over \$26,000 or 56.7% of dollars donated last year helped to keep families in their homes.
- \$5,500 went to feed the hungry (Food, TP Food Pantry, Thanksgiving Dinner).

The Thanksgiving Offering will be donated to the St. Stephen's St. Vincent de Paul Ministry. Your generosity is greatly appreciated.