St. Vincent de Paul Society, St. Ann, Bethany Beach Conference 

Meeting Minutes

Date Tuesday, December 10

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| Next meeting: |  | Tuesday, January 14 at 9:30AM in Delaney Hall Tuesday, January 28 at 3:30PM location TBD |
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1. **Call to Order; Opening Prayer**

Mary Ann Conlon opened the meeting at 9:30AM with a prayer.

1. **Welcome**
   1. Five new members were welcomed.
2. **Spirituality**
   1. Dan initiated a reflection based on the Gospel for Wednesday of the Second Week of Advent (Mt 11:28-30a), “my yoke is easy, and my burden light.” Do we often seek His yoke, so that we can share the burden of our ministry with Him?
3. **Minutes**
   1. Minutes from 11/12 meeting were approved.
4. **Financial Report**

**Beginning Balance 11/01/24 28.514.**

**Revenues 34,872.**

**Expenses 30,752.**

**Ending Balance 11/30/24 32,634.**

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| **MMA Account** | **Balance as of 11/30/24** |  | **6,219.** |
| **CD Account #1** | **Balance as of 12/01/24** |  | **26,245.** |
| **CD Account #2** | **Balance as of 12/01/24** |  | **18,456.** |

1. We received a $10K memorial donation this month.
2. We received $11,500 cash donations for the Giving Tree and spent $12K to provide sufficient gifts for those who had signed up. We have a check pending from the Bless Our Children campaign.
3. **Ministerium Update**
   1. The CROP Hunger Walk collected a total of over $13,080.
   2. Turn out for “Meet Me at the Manger” was disappointing, with only 5 parishioners attending. SVdP members are encouraged to attend the Prayer for Christian Unity on the 21st, at 5:00PM at St. Ann Church.
4. **Pastoral Council Update**
   1. No meeting this month
5. **SVDP Team updates**
   1. **Garden**
      1. Garden has been put to bed for the season.
      2. The statue of Mary at the garden is not missing, but has been stored for the winter\.
   2. **Pantry Teams**
      1. Quick and very rough demographics breakdown of our pantry neighbors: 70% latino, 20% black, and 10% caucasian.
      2. ServWare procedures for the pantry are working well.
   3. **Neighbor Contact**
      1. ServWare class for 8 people will be held this coming.Friday.
   4. **Extended Care**
      1. Clara is having open heart surgery to repair a leaky valve and a hole in her heart.
   5. **Visiting Vincentians**
      1. Currently visiting 12 neighbors in Brandywine at Fenwick, plus one in our local community.
   6. **Fund Raising**
      1. Reminder that the Souper Bowl party is scheduled for February 8; Rose is requesting members to sign up for tables after mass.
6. **President’s Remarks**
   1. **Prayers requested**
      1. Marty Malarkey’s father passed away recently.
      2. Mary Agnes Klein, long time member has passed away on December 6; her funeral is Friday morning.
      3. Peter Preston was discharged from the hospital, is home, and undergoing physical therapy.
   2. Unfortunately, the proposed construction cannot use either the existing well or the existing septic field. Additional costs will be incurred.
   3. ESL classes are being advertised, will begin registration on January 7 and will start on January 14 at OLG. Classes are limited to 25 persons per session, with two separate sessions weekly.
   4. We have access to a newly installed color copier, which will be used jointly by the Knights, Men’s Club, Respect Life committee, and us. The copier is in the third grade classroom in the Masterson Center and requires a login to use, and must logout or power off after use. At this time, users must supply their own paper. Usage is metered and charged per page to the user’s organization: $0.01 per black and white copy and $0.08 per color copy.
7. **Closing Prayer; Adjournment**

**Upcoming Dates:**

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| **January 2025** | |
| **Jan. 13** | **Team 3** |
| **Jan. 14** | **Tuesday SVDP Meeting at 9:30 AM – 11:00 AM** |
| **Jan. 16** | **Thursday Food Pantry 8:30 – 10:00 AM** |
| **Jan 18 and 19** | **Souper Bowl Grid Contributions at all Masses** |
| **Jan. 20** | **Team 4** |
| **Jan. 23** | **Thursday Food Pantry 8:30 – 10:00 AM** |
| **Jan 25 and 26** | **Souper Bowl Grid Contributions at all Masses** |
| **Jan. 27** | **Team 1** |
| **Jan. 28** | **Tuesday SVDP Meeting at 3:30 PM – 5:00 PM in DH** |
| **Jan. 30** | **Thursday Food Pantry 8:30 – 10:00 AM** |
| **February 2025** | |
| **2/1 and 2** | **Souper Bowl Grid Contributions at all Masses** |
| **2/3** | **Team 2** |
| **2/6** | **Thursday Food Pantry 8:30 – 10:00 AM** |
| **2/8** | **Souper Bowl Party in DH** |
| **2/10** | **Team 3** |
| **2/11** | **Tuesday SVDP Meeting at 9:30 AM – 11:00 AM** |
| **2/13** | **Thursday Food Pantry 3:30 – 5:00 PM** |
| **2/17** | **Team 4** |
| **2/20** | **Thursday Food Pantry 8:30 – 10:00 AM** |
| **2/26** | **Team 1** |
| **2/25** | **Tuesday SVDP Meeting at 3:30 PM – 5:00 PM in DH** |
| **2/27** | **Thursday Food Pantry 8:30 – 10:00 AM** |
| **March 2025** | |
| **3/3** | **Team 2** |
| **3/6** | **Thursday Food Pantry 8:30 – 10:00 AM** |
| **3/10** | **Team 3** |
| **3/11** | **Tuesday SVDP Meeting at 9:30 AM – 11:00 AM** |
| **3/13** | **Thursday Food Pantry 3:30 – 5:00 PM** |
| **3/17** | **Team 4** |
| **3/20** | **Thursday Food Pantry 8:30 – 10:00 AM** |
| **3/21** | **Team 1** |
| **3/25** | **Tuesday SVDP Meeting at 3:30 PM – 5:00 PM** |
| **3/27** | **Thursday Food Pantry 8:30 – 10:00 AM** |
| **3/31** | **Team 2** |
| **April 2025** | |
| **4/3** | **Thursday Food Pantry 8:30 – 10:00 AM** |
| **4/7** | **Team 3** |
| **4/8** | **Tuesday SVDP Meeting at 9:30 AM – 11:00 AM** |
| **4/10** | **Thursday Food Pantry 3:30 – 5:00 PM** |
| **4/14** | **Team 4** |
| **4/17** | **Thursday Food Pantry 8:30 – 10:00 AM** |
| **4/21** | **Team 1** |
| **4/26 and 27** | **Annual Regional Meeting at Marriottsville** |
| **4/28** | **Team 2** |
| **May 2025** | |
| **5/1** | **Thursday Food Pantry 8:30 – 10:00 AM** |
| **5/5** | **Team 3** |
| **5/8** | **Thursday Food Pantry 3:30 – 5:00 PM** |
| **5/12** | **Team 4** |
| **5/13** | **Tuesday SVDP Meeting at 9:30 AM – 11:00 AM** |
| **5/15** | **Thursday Food Pantry 8:30 – 10:00 AM** |
| **5/19** | **Team 1** |
| **5/22** | **Thursday Food Pantry 8:30 – 10:00 AM** |
| **5/26** | **Team 2** |
| **5/29** | **Thursday Food Pantry 8:30 – 10:00 AM** |
| **June 2025** | |
| **6/2** | **Team 3** |
| **6/5** | **Thursday Food Pantry 8:30 – 10:00 AM** |
| **6/8** | **Sunday Breaking Bread Fiesta at OLG** |
| **6/9** | **Team 4** |
| **6/10** | **Tuesday SVDP Meeting at 9:30 AM – 11:00 AM** |
| **6/12** | **Thursday Food Pantry 3:30 – 5:00 PM** |
| **6/16** | **Team 3** |
| **6/19** | **Thursday Food Pantry 8:30 – 10:00 AM** |
| **6/21 and 22** | **Begin School Supplies Flyer distribution and collection** |
| **6/23** | **Team 4** |
| **6/24** | **Tuesday SVDP Meeting at 3:30 PM – 5:00 PM, Election of New President and End of Year Picnic** |
| **6/28 and 29** | **School Supplies Flyer distribution and collection** |
| **6/30** | **Team 1** |
| **July 2025** | |
| **7/3** | **Thursday Food Pantry 8:30 – 10:00 AM** |
| **7/5 and 6** | **School Supplies Flyer distribution and collection** |
| **7/7** | **Team 2** |
| **7/10** | **Thursday Food Pantry 3:30 – 5:00 PM** |
| **7/12 and 13** | **School Supplies Flyer distribution and collection** |
| **7/14** | **Team 3** |
| **7/17** | **Thursday Food Pantry 8:30 – 10:00 AM** |
| **7/19 and 20** |  |
| **7/21** | **Team 4** |
| **7/24** | **Thursday Food Pantry 8:30 – 10:00 AM** |
| **7/26 and 27** | **School Supplies Flyer distribution and collection** |
| **7/28** | **Team 1** |
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| **10/1** | **Transition to new Leadership Team** |