

ST ALBERT THE GREAT CONFERENCE

QUARTERLY NEWSLETTER

July 01 -Sep 30, 2021



Vincenian Volunteers strive to:

- See the face of Christ in everyone we serve
- Be the good news of Jesus Christ to each person served
- Let every person we serve see Jesus in each of us

SHARING GOD'S LOVE WITH THOSE WE SERVE

As the third quarter of 2021 comes to a close, the COVID-19 virus continues to complicate the lives of many of our neighbors. Vaccination and the opening of K-12 in-person classes have provided a means to return to work for many of our neighbors. However, moratoriums on evictions are lifting and we anticipate calls from neighbors with accumulated back rent. Thanks to the generous contributions from many of you and the many hours our volunteers give, we continue to respond to the many calls we receive from neighbors requesting assistance. These requests include assistance with food, emergency shelter, and various financial issues in areas such as rent, utilities, and furniture. We continue to partner with The Miami Valley Community Action Partnership (MVCAP) to bring Montgomery County grant funds to bear on these bills when possible. Assistance often takes the form of a shared payment where we provide part of the funds needed to begin the process and then work closely with MVCAP to bring in external funds for the remaining costs.

Neighbors in need can call the St. Alberts St. Vincent de Paul call line to request assistance. Caring for these neighbors begins with a private conversation over the phone where our call takers try to learn the concerns and needs of the neighbor. While much of our assistance is intended to address short term issues, our ministry calls us to make a personal visit with the neighbor to try to work out a long-term solution to their situation. For example; In a recent home visit we performed a budget analysis for a family struggling to make utility payments. We were able to provide suggestions to limit expenditures and also to enroll them in an extended payment program arrangement based on income (Percentage of Income Payment Plan - PIPP).

CONFERENCE CORNER

You might be wondering how important your contribution to St. Vincent de Paul is to impacting the lives of our neighbors in need. The contributions provided by parishioners in the quarterly envelope collection as well as those from companies and other agencies are critical to our mission. YOU make all this possible **THANK YOU! Please consider donating via the Oct 3rd collection or using the parish Weshare system for payment.**

In the last three months conference members volunteered 200 hours, answered over 65 calls, and made numerous home/other visits to assist 120 neighbors in need.

*Twinning – other conference donations for COVID needs

**Via parish donations including We Share, SVDP envelopes, and Garden Guild

BY THE NUMBERS

July 01-Sep 30, 2021

| Category | Expenditure | (Approx %) | Households |
|---|-------------------|------------|------------|
| Utility Electric | 2,488.00 | (25) | 13 |
| Rents/Mortgages | 2,497.00 | (25) | 5 |
| Food | 155.00 | (2) | 4 |
| Water/Sanitary | 1,451.00 | (15) | 8 |
| Utility Gas | 528.00 | (5) | 4 |
| Twinning* | 2,370.00 | (24) | 5 |
| Misc./Other | 130.00 | (1) | 1 |
| Appliances/Furniture | 320.00 | (3) | 4 |
| 2021 4th Qtr Expenses | \$9,939.00 | | 44 |

| Category | Income |
|---------------------------------------|-------------------|
| Parish Donation** | 5,956.00 |
| SVdP District Council Donation | 1,400.00 |
| From Individuals or Companies | 1,491.00 |
| From Misc. Agencies | 0.00 |
| 2020 4th Qtr Income | \$8,847.00 |