



# SOCIETY OF ST. VINCENT DE PAUL

## JULY 2018

### MID-AUGUST IS THE TARGET FOR PANTRY COMPLETION

What a rainy summer. Despite the weather not cooperating, the construction of the St. Bernard's food pantry is forging ahead. The goal is to be completed in less than one month.



Installing plumbing.

### HELP AREA STUDENTS GET THE SCHOOL SUPPLIES THEY NEED

The new school year is less than a month away and the **Youth Ministry's Backpack Program** is underway.

Last year over 100 backpacks, filled with new school supplies, were distributed in our area schools.

Things many of us take for granted such as school supplies can make a huge difference to children in need.

\$15 will get a child a new backpack and supplies. Area kids can start school with new much needed supplies.



[Donate on line](#) or make checks payable to SVDP Youth Ministry's.



**The Society of St. Vincent de Paul**  
**ANNUAL RUBBER DUCK RACE**  
**FAMILY FUN DAY**



**SUNDAY, AUGUST 5, 2018**  
**SANDYVALE MEMORIAL PARK**  
**80 HICKORY STREET**  
**11:00 AM TO 4:00 PM**

**Entertainment, Food, Games, Refreshments**  
**Fun for the Whole Family**

**DUCKS ARE \$5.00**

**CELEBRITY RACE WILL BE 1 P.M.**  
**RACE WILL BE AT 2 P.M.**

**PRIZES AWARDED**  
**1<sup>ST</sup> PLACE \$500 2<sup>ND</sup> PLACE \$250 3<sup>RD</sup> PLACE \$150 LAST PLACE \$100**

**All proceeds benefit the Johnstown Soup Kitchen**



Southern Alleghenies Chapter of the American Culinary Federation Presents the  
**TWENTY-FOURTH ANNUAL**

# Chef's Crab & Sea Feast



**Friday, September 14, 2018**

The Casino  
at Lakemont Park

Benefits  
St. Vincent dePaul  
Food for Families Soup Kitchen

[Click here](#) for  
ticket information.

Hors D'Oeuvres at 6:00, Dinner at 7:00  
Donation \$60.00  
Cash Bar - Casual Dress - Dinner

### FEATURING

*Steamed Crab Legs - Peel & Eat Shrimp  
Herb Roasted Chicken, and MUCH, MUCH more*

in 2017 the St. Vincent dePaul Food for Families Soup Kitchen, in Altoona,  
served more than 70,000 meals at no-charge

## SAVE THE DATE

Our 2018 annual **Liturgy and Dinner** will, again, be at St. Francis  
University on **Sunday, October 7, 2018**. More details to follow.

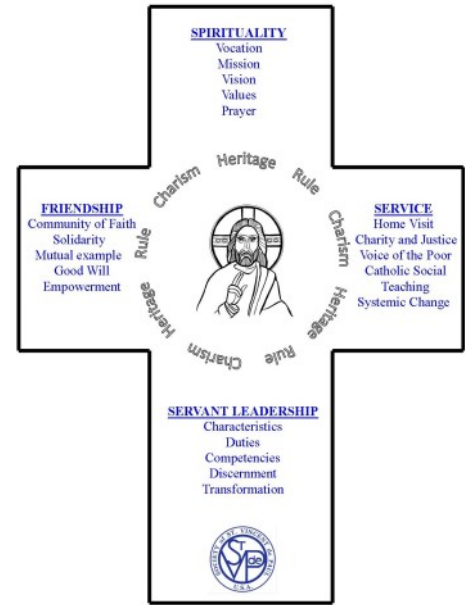
## SOCIETY OF SVDP / MONASTERY COMMUNITY GARDENS

Check out their [website](#) to see all that  
the community gardens does for the  
area.

Want to become a volunteer or have  
items to donate, call 814-330-0866.



## OZANAM ORIENTATION



Want to learn more about St. Vincent de  
Paul Society?

Attend an Ozanam Orientation.

Orientation will be Saturday, **September 22,  
2018 9:00 am to 1:00 pm** at the [St. Francis  
Xavier Parish Hall](#), 211 Powell Ave,  
Cresson, PA.

Orientation is open to everyone; members,  
volunteers, and parishioners interested in  
learning more about the Society.

For more information and to register,  
contact [Sonny Consiglio](#) at 814-943-1981.

## DONATING ONLINE TO SVDP IS SIMPLE

Are you planning a wedding or other special  
event? Are you considering asking your  
guests to not bring a gift; that their presence  
is present enough?

Gift giving is still something many of us  
enjoy and is especially rewarding when you  
know you gave the perfect gift. Consider  
asking your guests to [donate to St. Vincent  
de Paul](#) in honor of your special day. Its  
perfect because there is no wrong size and it  
goes with...

Weddings, Renewing your Vows, Birthdays,  
Memorials...



**CALLING ALL VOLUNTEERS**

**Altoona Thrift Store  
Needs CLOTHING SORTERS**

**STOP IN OR CALL**  
1215 7th Ave, Altoona  
(814) 941-1981

Only have a few hours; we'll take it!  
Any time you have to give will be appreciated.  
50% off for volunteers giving 20 or more hours a month.



2018

- **SUNDAY, AUGUST 5**  
[Annual Rubber Duck Race](#)  
[Sandyvale Memorial Park](#)  
80 Hickory St, Johnstown, PA  
11:00 am to 4:00 pm
- **FRIDAY, AUGUST 10 & SATURDAY, AUGUST 11**  
**Flea Market**  
St. Therese Church, Father Kelly Hall Altoona, PA  
8:00 am to 1:00 pm
- **SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 22**  
**Ozanam Orientation**  
St. Francis Xavier Parish, Cresson, PA  
9:00 am to 1:00 pm
- **SUNDAY, OCTOBER 7**  
**2018 Annual Liturgy & Dinner**  
St. Francis University

### FEAST DAYS

SEPTEMBER 9



**Blessed Frederic Ozanam** died on September 8, 1853.

He was beatified by Pope John Paul on August 22, 1997.

SEPTEMBER 27

**St. Vincent de Paul** died on September 27, 1660, canonized in 1737 and declared patron saint of all works of charity.



### MARKETING YOUR THRIFT STORE

The national [SVDP thrift store website](#) is a wonderful resource for marketing, merchandising and much more.

Communicating with your customers, donors, and other community members is critical. This site offers tips and ideas such as:

1. Secure their emails idea: Offer a “Loyalty Card”. Customers must register to receive this card that, for example, will provide them with 20% off purchases. The registration provides vital information, including email addresses, to enable you and your team to affordably communicate thrift messaging.
2. The best message we can share with likely customers and donors is impact. How is the Society helping local people? This message of hope resonates with people. No need to refer to your store as the biggest, best, cheapest. Instead remind the public that the Society’s thrift is a charity that helps people.
3. Reinforce the Society’s brand and mission to shoppers within your store. Using overhead announcements and signage works well.

### ST. THERESE ALTOONA ANNUAL FLEA MARKET

**Friday, August 10 & Saturday, August 10 & 11**

8:00 am to 1:00 pm (both days)

[Father Kelly Hall](#)

2412 5th St, Altoona



Lots of items for sale. No clothing



Planning committee for the Johnstown SVDP soup kitchen finalizing plans for the annual Duck Race on Sunday, August 5.

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