



SOCIETY OF ST. VINCENT DE PAUL ALTOONA/JOHNSTOWN

NOVEMBER 2021

QUEEN OF PEACE PANTRY GETS A NEW HOME

On October 25 Jerry Greiner, pantry manager, and other volunteers began renovating the future site of SVDP Queen of Peace pantry at 500 Railroad Avenue in Patton. After nine days of hard work by the pantry volunteers, help from local business owners and the St. Augustine Holy Name Society they were able to distribute food from the new site on November 3rd.



Jerry said, “We are truly blessed to have such hard working volunteers, Without their many hours of hard work we could not have accomplished this [monumental task].”

The pantry hours of operation are the 1st Wednesday and 3rd Thursday of the month from 9:00 am to 11:00 am. (814) 674-3346.



Father Ananias Buccicone, OSP, Pastor of the Queen of Peace parish and the food pantry blessed the new location on November 16.



- **WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 8, 2021**
Friendsday Wednesday
Johnstown Family Kitchen
3:00 PM - 6:00 PM
- **SUNDAY, DECEMBER 12, 2021**
Chicken BBQ Dinner
KOC Council 4245, Hollidaysburg
11:00 AM - 1:00 PM
- **WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 12, 2022**
Friendsday Wednesday
Johnstown Family Kitchen
3:00 PM - 6:00 PM
- **WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 9, 2022**
Friendsday Wednesday
Johnstown Family Kitchen
3:00 PM - 6:00 PM
- **WEDNESDAY, MARCH 9, 2022**
Friendsday Wednesday
Johnstown Family Kitchen
3:00 PM - 6:00 PM

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Famvin Quote of the day November 20
Lord, teach me how to be open and listen to the advice and opinions of others. Above all, the humility to compromise or change when wisdom shows me a better course of action.

– St. Louise de Marillac

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TURKEY-THON 2021



Lakemont Fire Department delivered 23 turkeys to the Forever Media Studio for the Turkey-Thon.

Another successful turkey drive for the **SVDP Assumption Chapel** in Altoona and the winners are all the families that will benefit from the generosity of the community and the volunteers that came out to help.

Volunteers collected 300 turkeys donated by individuals and businesses, lots and lots of non-perishable items, and \$4,000 in cash and gift cards.

Don Belsey, pantry manager, said “My heartfelt thanks to the Forever Media crew and the Pantry volunteers for making it a superb drive. Now maybe a lot of kids will not go to bed hungry!”



Thank you to the Altoona Pantry volunteers, the Forever Media crew and Imler’s Poultry who lent a truck (pictured in the foreground) to the pantry for the day to store the turkeys.



Volunteer on the Imler’s Poultry truck.

Pantry Hours of operation: Tuesday and Thursday 8:30 am to 10:30 am
 (814) 943-7962



BBQ CHICKEN DINNER

Again this year the **Knights of Columbus Council 4245** in Hollidaysburg is holding a chicken dinner fundraiser that will benefit the SVDP Altoona Human Needs office. The Altoona office helps individuals and families in Blair County who are struggling to pay utilities, rent and other needs. Fundraisers and donations from organizations such as the KOC allow our St. Vincent de Paul programs to operate.

Along with the needs office in Altoona, SVDP Altoona Johnstown has an office in Cambria County and several conferences that help people in our community.

The dinners are \$11.00 and include:
BBQ Chicken, Baked Beans, Applesauce, Roll

Call the Knights of Columbus Hall at 695-4752 for ticket information. The take-out dinners will be available at the Knights of Columbus Council 4245 building located at 324 Bedford St, Hollidaysburg.

[Click here](#) for more contact information.



Thank you, to Our Mother of Sorrows for the Thanksgiving day meals donated to the **Johnstown Family Kitchen** for distribution. “One of our most supportive churches!”, stated Greg Karcher, kitchen manager.

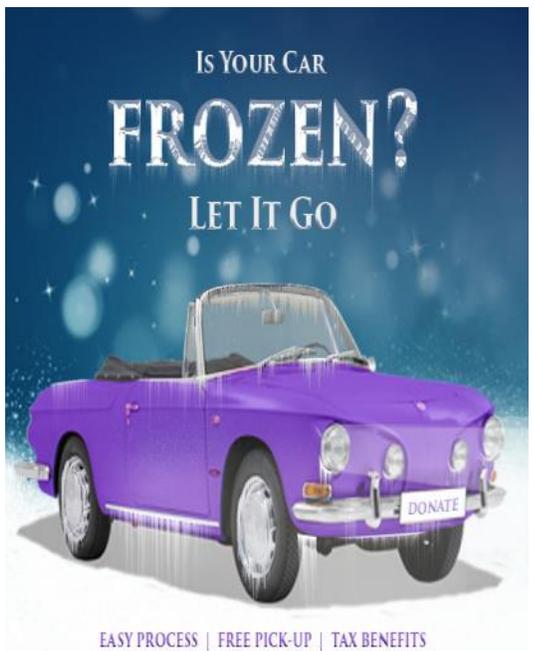
ST. JOSEPH'S CONFERENCE TO DELIVER DINNERS

For over five years the **Williamsburg St. Joseph's Conference** has prepared and delivered Thanksgiving dinners on Thanksgiving morning.

The first year approximately 50 meals were delivered by the conference. Over the years the numbers have grown and this year they are making 225 meals!



Sandy Morelli, conference president said, “We are always so excited to do this and can't thank our volunteers enough for giving their time on Thanksgiving morning !!”



Consider donating your unwanted vehicle to our car donation program. The pick-up is free and you can designate which SVDP Conference, Ministry or Food for Family program gets the proceeds.

Since January 2021 the SVDP Altoona Johnstown Council has received over \$3,700 in revenue from this program. Thank you to everyone that donated their vehicle.

[Click here](#) or call 1.800.322.8284 to start the process.



This past month Boy Scout Troop 2094 collected can goods and other non-perishable food for the **Ebensburg Food Pantry**.

Thank you to all the scouts that participated.



Consider giving a gift certificate from your favorite SVDP Thrift Store for the holidays this year.

Give a gift that will be appreciated while helping the community.

Remember all proceeds from the stores stay local.

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL THRIFT STORES

ALTOONA

1215 7th Ave
(814) 943-1981

JOHNSTOWN

301 Central Ave
(814) 535-4357

CARROLLTOWN

204 N Main St
(814) 344-9309

N. CAMBRIA

1907 Bigler Ave
(814) 948-8828

CRESSON

115 Ashcroft Ave
(814) 886-9566

NANTY-GLO

1005 Caroline St
(814) 749-6043

EBENSBURG

Ebensburg Mini Mall
(814) 472-4362

STATE COLLEGE

1300 Benner Pike, Ste B
(814) 867-3131



West Campus

The **SVDP Divine Mercy Academy Youth Conference** in Johnstown held masses at the east and west campuses to induct the students into the Society and receive their SVDP pins.



East Campus