



SOCIETY OF ST. VINCENT DE PAUL ALTOONA/JOHNSTOWN

OCTOBER 2022

OZANAM ORIENTATION

The Orientation is for all current Conference members, SVDP/FFF volunteers, employees and anyone interested in joining the Society or just learning about the Society and its Mission.



All aspects of St. Vincent de Paul are covered including Vincentian spirituality, history, organization, conferences, special works, the Rule and other subjects.

It is very important that those representing the Society as Conference members, employees or volunteers understand the

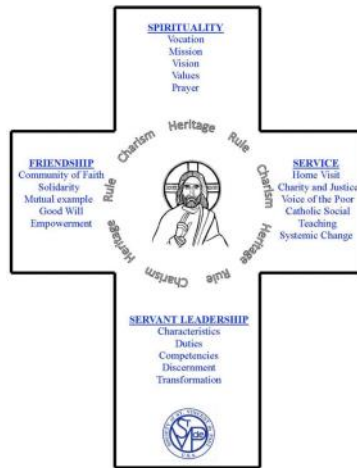
Mission and the organization.

Presidents are reminded that attending an orientation is one of the requirements for being a full active member of a Conference.

The next Ozanam Orientation is set for **Saturday, November 19, 2022 from 8:30 am – 1:00 pm** at the Diocesan Council offices in Altoona. Lunch will be provided.

Anyone interested in attending should get in touch with their conference president or call the council office at (814) 943-1981 x 111 to register.

Registration deadline is Monday November 14, 2022



- **FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 4, 2022**
Turkey-Thon 2022
Forever Media Parking Lot, Hollidaysburg
7:00 AM - 4:00 PM
- **SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 19, 2022**
Ozanam Orientation
Diocesan Council Office, Altoona
8:30 AM - 1:00 PM
- **THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 24, 2022**
Thanksgiving Dinner (take out only)
St. Benedict Church Hall, Carrolltown
10:30 AM - Noon
- **SUNDAY, DECEMBER 11, 2022**
Chicken BBQ (take out only)
Knights of Columbus, Hollidaysburg
11:00 AM - 1:00 PM

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Famvin Quote of the day, October 26

“Are you weary after all the happenings and difficulties of the day? Well, in the evening you have this beneficial refreshment which will give energy to all your actions.”

– St. Vincent de Paul

– When cares wear me down, restore and renew me, Lord, through the reading of your Scripture.



[Click here](#) for daily reflections and a quote of the day.



Seated are Sr. Paula and Sr. Pauline from the Altoona Soup Kitchen enjoying the circus at the Jaffa Mosque in Altoona. The circus ran from Wednesday, October 19 - Sunday, October 23.

ANOTHER GROWING SEASON WRAPS UP

Hard to believe that the gardens were lush and green in June and now bare and ready for the cold weather. The last of the harvest, pumpkins, green beans, tomatoes and potatoes were delivered to the Physicians and Dental Clinics in Altoona and the Penn State Food Bank.



Voice of the Poor (VOP) is the advocacy arm of the Society of St. Vincent de Paul.

Take a look at the VOP website and you will find many resources including webinars that address critical issues of those living in poverty and other issues plaguing society.

[Click here](#) for a list of webinars.



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**WEDNESDAY,
NOVEMBER
9
2022**

**HOLIDAY INN
JOHNSTOWN DOWNTOWN**
250 Market St.
Johnstown, PA
9 a.m. – 3 p.m.

**TO LEARN MORE ABOUT BE
UTILITY WISE:**
<https://www.puc.pa.gov/about-the-puc/consumer-education/be-utility-wise-events/>
www.puc.pa.gov

Watch your email in October for the official registration form and program flier!

SVDP AND FOOD FOR FAMILIES ARE BLESSED WITH COMMUNITY SUPPORT

What many of us take for granted can be a struggle for others. Losing your job or being under employed can have devastating effects on a family, especially if they were just scraping by. Fortunately, with the help of the community we are able to continue helping families and individuals struggling to put food on the table or pay their rent and utilities and other living expenses.

Luckily for us there are local businesses and organizations that put on food drives, give percentages of sales and host chicken dinners all to raise money so we can continue to help those in need.

The Society of Saint Vincent de Paul and Food for Families are so fortunate to be the recipient of fundraisers being hosted right now.

Some of the fundraisers are:

The **Turkey-Thon 2022** headed by **Forever Media**. Every year, they set up in their parking lot to collect frozen turkeys, chickens and other items for Thanksgiving. The SVDP Altoona Pantry puts together boxes and distributes them in time for local families to have a Thanksgiving dinner. This year's date is Friday, November 4.

The 2nd Annual **Stuckey Automotive Food Bank Challenge** is going on now through December 6. Five local dealerships are collecting non-perishable food items. Whichever dealership collects the most items wins bragging rights for the year. Last year a total of over 13,000 items were collected.

The **Knights of Columbus Council 4245** in Hollidaysburg is hosting a Chicken BBQ again this year. The proceeds will go to the Altoona Needs office that help local families and individuals. The BBQ is set for Sunday, December 11.

[Check out the Food Challenge story on WTAJ-TV.](#)



Five local dealerships are participating in the 2nd Annual Stuckey Automotive Food Bank Challenge to collect thousands of non-perishable food items for the St. Vincent de Paul's Food for Families Soup Kitchen this Holiday Season.

Please, donate what you can now through December 6th.

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KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS
COUNCIL 4245
HOLLIDAYSBURG, PA

WINTER



TICKETS \$10

TIS THE SEASON TO EAT CHICKEN!

JOIN US FOR OUR WINTER BBQ!

SUNDAY DECEMBER 11

11 AM TO 1 PM

TICKETS ONLY \$10

TAKE OUT ONLY

MEAL INCLUDES: OUR FAMOUS BBQ CHICKEN, BAKED BEANS, APPLESAUCE, AND ROLL.

For Tickets Call: Bob Hazenstab (696-4206), Ed Zang (207-9684), Ray Gregorchik (232-6557), Jerry Kovach (696-0198), Tim Surkovich (696-1209), Dan Turcovsky (414-9636), or call the Knights Hall (695-4752)

proceeds benefit

BENEFITS:



Altoona Human Needs

FRG 98.1 **Hot 101** WJLY 105.9 **ROCKY 104.9** **104.3** **WFBG 104.3**

TURKEY-THON 2022

OUR COMMUNITY NEEDS OUR HELP

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 4TH

7AM - 4PM

FOREVER MEDIA PARKING LOT
ONE FOREVER DRIVE, HOLLIDAYSBURG

BENEFITS





YOU CAN HELP END HOLIDAY HUNGER:

- ✓ Donate a frozen turkey or frozen chicken
- ✓ Pick up holiday essentials
 - Turkeys any size, breasts, legs
 - Instant mashed potatoes
 - Stuffing
 - Green beans
 - Turkey gravy
 - Cranberry sauce
- ✓ Make a financial contribution directly to the Saint Vincent de Paul Food Pantry.

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THANKSGIVING DAY DINNER AT ST. BENEDICT CHURCH, CARROLLTOWN

Dinner on Thanksgiving will be take-out and can be picked up at the **St. Benedict Church Hall** from 10:30 am to Noon. Delivery to shut-ins only in the Carrolltown area.



Call (814) 615-8025 or message on Facebook at

www.facebook.com/svdpcarrolltown.

Dinner, prepared by **St. Benedict Conference** members, includes Turkey, Ham, Mashed Potatoes, Gravy, Stuffing, Vegetable, Cranberry Sauce, Roll and choice of Apple or Pumpkin Pie.



Divine Mercy Catholic Academy Johnstown East Campus SVDP 6th Grade Youth Conference.

CARROLLTOWN THRIFT STORE OFFERING PROMOTION

Beginning October 1, 2022, the Carrolltown thrift store started offering a **punch card promotion**. Spend \$10 or more per visit and you will receive a punch for that visit.

Collect 10 punches and you will save \$10 off your next purchase of \$20 or more. One card per customer and may not be combined with any other card. Card only valid at St. Vincent de Paul-Carrollton.

Valid thru December 30, 2022.

Stop by the store anytime Monday thru Friday from 10:00 am to 2:00 pm.



204 N. Main Street Carrolltown, PA 15722
814-615-8025



It's not too early to start thinking about Christmas.

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

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

[Check out](http://Svdpcares.org/thriftstores) our website for store hours. Svdpcares.org/thriftstores