

15th Sunday in Ordinary Time

July 12, 2020



Readings This Week

M	7/13	1 st Reading	Isaiah 1:10-17
		Gospel	Matthew 10:34—11:1
T	7/14	1 st Reading	Isaiah 7:1-9
		Gospel	Matthew 11:20-24
W	7/15	1 st Reading	Isaiah 10:5-7,13b-16
		Gospel	Matthew 11:25-27
T	7/16	1 st Reading	Isaiah 26:7-9, 12, 16-19
		Gospel	Matthew 11:28-30
F	7/17	1 st Reading	Isaiah 38:1-6, 21-27, 7-8
		Gospel	Matthew 12:1-8
S	7/18	1 st Reading	Micah 2:1-5
		Gospel	Matthew 12:14-21
S	7/19	1 st Reading	Isaiah 55:10-17
		2 nd Reading	Romans 8:18-23
		Gospel	Matthew 13:1-23

St. Vincent de Paul Society

In today's Gospel, Matthew states that Jesus wants us to be "the rich soil" in which He plants his seed (His word). So that His word can take root in us and be shared with all. This gospel is a reminder that we are sowers of both God's word and His love. We do this by word and example; hearing, seeing and acting from our hearts.

The seeds of the St. Vincent de Paul Society were actually planted by a group of students during a discussion on Christianity, at the Sorbonne in 1833. Luckily they were planted in the rich soil known as Frederick Ozanam our founder. Christian and atheist students were in a heated debate regarding the validity of Christianity. A fellow atheist student said, "Today Christianity is dead. You people boast about being Catholic, but what are you doing? Where are your works that demonstrate your Faith...? Inspired by the Holy Spirit, Frederick answered, "We must do what is most agreeable to God. Therefore we must do what our Lord Jesus Christ did when preaching the Gospel. **Let us go to the poor.**" Thus began the St. Vincent de Paul Society. "Let us go to the poor." It is these six small words that separate Vincentians from other charitable groups. We go to the poor. We visit them at their homes. Get to know them. See the big picture. Talk to them. Listen to them. Show them that someone cares. You, our parishioners and friends, are seeds with us in that "rich soil". It is because of you that our ministry is able to share God's love with the poor. Thank you.

Lord, make us your rich soil.

...with hearts filled with love and mercy.

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Vincentian Notes;

1. We have a client in need of a small table and two chairs. If anyone can help call SVdP AT 258-5773
2. SVdP has added the McKinney Shelter at 50 Washington Square to its' weekly "Sandwich Brigade". Now, in addition to lunches prepared for the homeless housed in motels during Covid-19, we will be supplying lunches for the shelter. If anyone would like to donate 8oz. water bottles, snack size chips, cookies, fruit, jello,

Services this Week Mass Intentions

S	7/11	5:15pm Mass	Mass for the People
S	7/12	7:00am Mass	Vivian Silvia
		10:30am Mass	Antonio Esposito, Anthony Raffa
		6:30pm Mass	Misa en Espanol
W	7/15	12:05pm Mass	Paul Gaines
T	7/16	12:05pm Mass	Paul Gaines
F	7/17	12:05pm Mass	Paul Gaines
			Confession-by Appointment only
S	7/18	5:15pm Mass	Mass for the People
S	7/19	7:00am Mass	Paul Gaines
		10:30am Mass	
		6:30pm Mass	Misa en Espanol

This Week St. Vincent dePaul Ministries

<u>M</u>	7/13	11:30am-1:00pm	Soup Kitchen- <u>discontinued until further notice</u>
T	7/14	10am-12	Emergency Food Pantry- <u>by phone 258-5773</u>
		10am-12	Emergency Funding,- <u>by phone 258-5773</u>
W	7/15	10am-12	Emergency Food Pantry- <u>by phone 258-5773</u>
T	7/16	10am-12	Emergency Food Pantry- <u>by phone 258-5773</u>
F	7/17	10am-12	Emergency Food Pantry- <u>by phone 258-5773</u>

pudding, energy bars, etc., please call SVdP AT 258-5773 to arrange for pick-up or delivery.

All confessions will be heard by appointment only



A Note
from
Fr. Scott



Since my arrival

here on July 1st, I have been very warmly received and I truly appreciate that. I have been asked many questions and here I would like to answer some of them:

➔ **What is a parish administrator?**

Generally speaking, there isn't much of a difference between pastor and administrator, as far as the day-to-day duties go. Canon Law notes that "a parochial administrator is bound by the same duties and possesses the same rights as a pastor unless the diocesan bishop establishes otherwise" (Can. 540 §1). An administrator is a priest who has the same rights and obligations of leadership as a pastor. An administrator is a priest appointed by the bishop to supervise the spiritual welfare of a parish, generally when there is no pastor in residence. An administrator makes sure the general sacramental and spiritual life of a parish continues but does not need to be in residence at the parish.

➔ **What if you need to meet with me, how can you do that?**

I will have weekly office hours on Mondays and Thursdays – 9:00AM – 12:00 PM. Should you need an appointment outside those times, you maybe contact the parish secretary.



Peace,
Fr. Scott
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➔ **Is the Mass Schedule going to change?**

Yes, but only the daily Mass schedule will change:

- Monday – 12:05 Mass**
- Tuesday & Wednesday - No Mass*
- Thursday – 12:05 Mass**
- Friday – No Mass*

➔ **What's going on with Confessions?**

The 2nd collection on the last Sunday of the month is for the ongoing maintenance of our buildings and grounds.
The fiscal health of the parish depends on the faithful support of the parish.



Volunteers still needed for all of our Masses....to greet people, to ensure they have masks, to sanitize their hands, and to direct them to designated seating areas.

Also, we are in need of others to stay after Mass to help sanitize the church. *There is a dedicated core group of*

volunteers who have been so helpful but more help is needed.

Please see Fr. Scott or Cindy Sullivan after Mass or call the Rectory and leave a message.

Thank you to all that have responded.

Please pray for our brothers and sisters who are ill and those who have requested our prayers: Debra Amini, , Bruce Barrett, Evelyn Barrett, Henry Charbonneau, Larry Davis, Shawn Donnelly, Carol Eggleton, Rosemary Hayes, Baby Jackson Hall, Oscar Michael Hall, Michelle Imondi, Maureen Martin, Dewey Morton, Tom Morton, Daryll Neal, Amy Powers, Norman Siebens, Rafael Sweeney, Tammy White.