

St. Vincent de Paul News

Year Ending 2021 Financial Report

St. Vincent de Paul was a Catholic priest who dedicated himself to serving the poor. Renowned for his compassion, humility and generosity, he was venerated as a Saint in the Catholic Church and canonized in 1737.

He gives us our Mission: To serve the poor with love, respect, justice and joy.

The poor will always be with us. St. Vincent de Paul, St. Julia Conference is thankful for your most generous ongoing support, caring and concern for those in need. You have enabled us to offer support to those in our own area who need help. Never before have we seen such need for food assistance. Your donations this year have allowed us to donate a total of \$39,750 to feed the hungry; including food vouchers to clients in our own area, St. Mary and St. Patrick food banks, Ozanam Center, Community Care, Out of the Cold and Niagara Nutrition. In addition a donation of \$500 was sent for food for the North of 60 Project to help our neighbours in the far north.

During the winter months warm clothing is requested from the St. Vincent store. We are able to offer assistance to those fighting the cold .Gently used and new clothing is needed; especially this year. You support Start Me Up Niagara who assist those trying to enter the workplace needing a hand up to find meaningful employment on their way to independence. Funds are given to DM Cares to support student needs. The Broken Spoke program repairs and offers free bicycles to those in need of transportation. Your donation helps to purchase bicycle parts. Outreach continues to St. Mary Church to support their food baskets at Christmas. Included you gave the gift of Pen Center certificates for the children. St. Peter School collected nonperishable food to supplement the Christmas food drive. Thank you St.Peter School!

Administration expenses include postage and stationary, insurance and fees to Particular Council which serves the Niagara area.

This past year your generous support totaled \$51,206.85; for this we are most grateful. Your trust in us has allowed us to serve the vulnerable on your behalf during these challenging times. "What you do unto others you do unto me".

We welcome new members and new ideas to further our commitment to help those less fortunate. Please call the church office at 905 684 5603 for more information.

Thank you and God Bless

