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FEAST DAY
Blessed
Frédéric
Ozanam
September 9

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Monthly Quote for Reflection

"Now if there ever was a good work, it is that of nursing the sick, so much so indeed that it surpasses all others in value." - St. Vincent de Paul

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ACTIVITIES THIS MONTH

September 2025				
1 - <mark>LABOR DAY</mark>				
8 - St. Teresa of Calcutta				
15 - St. William				
22 - St. Luke				
29 - St. Leonard				

SVdP Meal Program Volunteer Commitment

To give the best experience to our guests, we need the following:

- 8 conference members/volunteers arrive at 4:50
- 5 gallons of milk (2 white & 3 chocolate)
- 100 desserts of any type (due to higher attendance)
- Contact Peggy Fahl to confirm: Call/text 414-828-6999 or pegfahl@gmail.com Thank you for continuing our SVDP tradition of serving our neighbors in need.

September 9

Blessed Frédéric Feast Day

Thursday, September 18
The Neighbors Bar & Grille
Pour it Forward Social!

S16W22255 Arcadian Ave., Waukesha



You're Invited to Eat, Sip & Support! Get ready for a fun-filled night of great food, refreshing drinks, and giving back, all in support of a cause that matters! Let's raise a glass - and some funds - for a better tomorrow!

Every bite you take and every drink you enjoy will help fuel the mission of St. Vincent de Paul. From 4pm-7pm enjoy the antics of local celebrity bartenders. If you can't join us in the evening, stop in for lunch and still support St. Vincent de Paul. The Neighbors Bar and Grille will give us 10% of the proceeds from the ENTIRE DAY going directly to our incredible work in our community. So, grab your friends, bring your appetite, and join us for a night (or day) where doing good tastes great.

September 22

Back to School Wrap-up Meeting

Council conference room Noon – 1:30pm

September 23

Summer Lunch Wrap-up Meeting

Council Meeting Room 10:30am - Noon

September 23

Virtual Secretary/Treasurer Workshop

6:00pm – 7:30pm

Join the meeting

Meeting ID: 289 142 263 511 7

Passcode: JY6oq6Se

Dial in by phone

+1 323-457-8858,,894248201#

Find a local number

Phone conference ID: 894 248 201#

We'll go over the duties of the Secretary and Treasurer and hit on trouble areas on the Annual Report, along with required filings for the IRS and State of Wisc. Come join Rob and Bonnie from the comfort of your home. Bring your questions!

We'll also be introducing the newly revised Treasurers Handbook from the National Council. This will be emailed to all Treasurers during the month of September.

September 27

St. Vincent de Paul Feast Day

September 30

Fiscal year end. Annual Report due to the Council by October 21.

WAUKESHA COUNCIL

Seeking a Board Treasurer

As you know we have openings for new Council Board members. Board members serve as members at large or officers. All officers, according to our Rule, need to be Vincentians. We still need a **Vincentian Board Treasurer**. If you have a finance background and are led by the Spirit to consider filling this role, Carol Maurer would like to talk with you. The conversation will be exploratory on both sides. You are not signing on the dotted line by meeting with Carol. The Board Treasurer has a review role only regarding financials. If you have any questions, please contact Carol Maurer, our District Council President, at either cmaurer@wi.rr.com or 414-807-3171.

RSVP'S for All Council Events

We are asking for RSVP's for every member event and meeting. Knowing how many members to expect is a great help to Council staff, saving work time and many trees. Please RSVP whenever and for whatever you are planning to attend.

PROGRAMS & MINISTRIES

Monday Meal Program

Kathy Monet is retiring from the SVdP Monday meal program crew. Peggy is looking for a replacement. Availability can be one person or 2 people who are willing to share the job of preparing the meal along with Stella Hasler and Peggy. Please let Peggy know by calling 414-828-6999 or email pegfahl@gmail.com if you are interested in volunteering for the meal ministry. We start prep at 2:00 and are expected to stay until around 6:00.

Back to School Program

Another Back to School Program is under our belts. A message from Anne Radomski, St. William Conference Member who was our new lead this year... Thanks to the many Conference Vincentians and our Mini Vinnies who worked together to make our program another success. Without their help, our program would not be possible ... You are extremely appreciated! And, I might add that the same can be said for Anne who did a **fantastic** job running it!!!

COMMUNITY INITIATIVES

St. Vincent de Paul programs that work to involve community members in pathways to self-sufficiency and long-term, systemic solutions. This includes Getting Ahead and Housing.

Jodie LaChapelle, Director of Community Engagement

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262-765.0744

Financial Stability - Getting Ahead

A St. Vincent de Paul program to help individuals and the Waukesha County community become more financially stable.

Getting Ahead Workshops Are Just Around the Corner!

We are excited to share that last month's Intake event was a success! We welcomed motivated candidates ready to transform their lives this Fall. Join us in being part of the support system that will make this transformation possible!

How can you support them?

By helping us provide dinners during their workshop sessions. Meals are more than just food-they're a special "magic moment" each evening when participants arrive and are greeted with a warm and substantial meal. It's a gesture that says, *you matter*, and it sets the tone for a night of growth and connection. We can't create

this magic without your help! **Join us in making the magic happen again this Fall by signing up to sponsor a dinner**. There are several ways to contribute:

- Donate homemade meals and assist with serving (it can be a main dish, a complementary dish, or dessert, or all of them!)
- **Deliver boxed meals** (we can provide the containers).
- Make a financial contribution, and we'll take care of the food orders.

(Sign up here: https://signup.com/go/NLxqCCp

We are deeply grateful to everyone who has supported the Getting Ahead program through meal donations in the past. Your presence-through fellowship, attentive listening, and compassionate care during dinner-creates a healing and empowering environment for our participants. These moments of connection help them feel seen, supported, and inspired to pursue their goals. We warmly encourage you to continue being part of this meaningful ministry. **Your support truly makes a difference.**

Thank you for ALL you do!

- The Getting Ahead Team Liliana Cavazos, Getting Ahead Program Manager Monique Rodriguez, Getting Ahead Coordinator

General Getting Ahead Contact

GettingAhead@svdpwaukesha.com

262.547.0654

Housing Stability

St. Vincent de Paul program to provide a pathway to housing stability, guiding Vincentians through prevention, diversion, urgent accommodations and housing in Waukesha County.

Shelter capacity

We continue to monitor shelter availability. A note that **Salvation Army** will be returning to **32 beds by September**, helping meet the growing need for shelter in our community. Please reach out to Shelia if you want current shelter availability.

♠ Siena House: A New Chapter

Starting this September, Siena House will become an extended-stay home for six single men seeking stability and support - a true second chance. Referrals for this will come from the shelters themselves. The SVdP Housing Team will offer ongoing resource coordination throughout their stay and Vincentians will hear about opportunities to get involved.

Landlord Appreciation Luncheon – We're excited to be hosting a community Landlord Appreciation Luncheon this fall! (exact date TBD). As we prepare for this special event, we're inviting conference leaders to submit contact information for any landlords you'd like to recognize or thank for their partnership and commitment in helping us serve those who need us most. Your submissions will help us ensure these valued collaborators receive the appreciation they deserve.

Learn more about our support and resources! The Housing Team has sent emails to conference presidents with the opportunity to attend one of your upcoming conference meetings. We would appreciate the chance to learn more about your operations and share the resources our team can offer. We hope to collaborate in addressing housing needs and ensuring patrons have access to the support available.

- The Housing Team

♦ General Housing Contact

Housing@svdpwaukesha.com

262.875.6346

STORES

Electronic Voucher Updates

Don't forget that mattress & platform prices changed effective August 1st. You'll find the updated Categories & Values sheet attached to these Reminders.

SVdP Social Media

Rule 3.5 Preserving the spirit. Members of all ages strive to preserve the spirit of youth, which is characterized by enthusiasm, adaptability and creative imagination.

Did you know that Facebook is now of legal drinking age? Social media is a fact of life these days and as such SVdP uses it to engage our community. Here are two TikTok videos for your viewing pleasure.

Promoting our Oconomowoc Store

Highlighting Summer Lunch

Store contact information:

Waukesha: John Erdmann, 262-719-8486, jerdmann@svdpwaukesha.com Oconomowoc: Bridgette Bronk, 262-853-8257, bbronk@svdpwaukesha.com Pewaukee: Matt Wojczak, 262-347-6165, mwojczak@svdpwaukesha.com

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Chief Operations Officer: Rod Colburn rcolburn@svdpwaukesha.com

CONFERENCE RESOURCES

Computer Literacy Lab

Do you have Friends who would benefit from an opportunity to improve their computer skills?

Waukesha County Technical College has a place where individuals learn basic computer skills or improve on current skills – The Computer Literacy Lab. Students learn new skills and sharpen existing skills utilizing interactive tutorials as well as typing tutorials. They may choose the number of hours, times, and days to learn and may start anytime during the semester.

This computer lab is located at the main WCTC campus and is facilitated by WCTC instructors. The attached Fall flyer provides additional information on the Computer Literacy course, which is offered during the Fall (Terms 1 & 2), Spring (Terms 1 & 2) and summer sessions. Fall 2025 Term 1 dates are August 19-October 12.

Where: Waukesha County Technical College

800 Main Street

Pewaukee, Wisconsin 53072

B Building, Room B-042

The B building is attached to and north of the College Center (C building). Parking is available in front of the B building.

Please feel free to email Deatra Holloway at dholloway3@wctc.edu with any questions.

Conference Corner

St. Mary conference in Waukesha was founded in 1953 and later recognized in 1958 by the International Society in Paris. Our work as Vincentians, which finds us living out the teachings of the Bible, has remained the same since the beginning. Looking back at old reports I see the same basic needs as we see today. Of course, the dollar amounts have changed.

Our projects, like many other conferences, include the Summer Lunch Program, the Back-to-School Program and Angel Tree. We have 20 members that are always willing to step up to help with projects as well as

serving the needy in our area around St Mary. We also work closely with the other Waukesha conferences to ensure that none of our friends in need are overlooked in the Waukesha area.

With the merger of St. Mary conference with the conferences of St. John Neumann and St. William, we will be much stronger as Corpus Christi conference combining all our resources. The recent Corpus Christi retreat which was open to all Corpus Christi conference members was a great opportunity to get to know members from the different campuses in Waukesha and to discuss our mission of serving those in need with compassion, humility, and love.

Conference and Member Questions and Answers (from the E-Gazette National Newsletter)

Q: Some of our Conferences receive donations in the form of gift cards to supermarkets and places like Target, which they then distribute to friends in need during Christmas. These gift cards have cash value, and so I am thinking the Conference treats them as such. Should they be reported under 5E: Other-Misc. Receipts?

A: No. The gifts cards received as donations would be treated as in-kind. When they are distributed, they have a specific value for the purpose for which you give them (food, clothing, etc.). They are not cash, so they would not be treated as 5E. They cannot be deposited to your account and show up in the balancing of your accounts.

Index of Conference & Member Q & A

Questions and answers appear in the E-Gazette, the National E-newsletter. Find the full Q&A <u>Index</u> here. Submit your questions to Pam Hudson Johnson at <u>phudson@svdpusa.org</u>

October 2025	November 2025		
6 - St. Catherine	3 - St. Bruno		
13 - St. James, MF	10 - St. James, Muk		
20 - St. John Vianney	17 - St. Mary		
27 – St. Dominic	24 - St. Joan of Arc		

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October SVdP Awareness

The Archdiocesan Voice of the Poor Committee spearheads October awareness month. The VOP Committee has not released the booklet yet but look for it in September. It will include activities, bulletin entries, reflections AND MORE that can be used to inform your parish of what you do and create interest in joining your group. This will be sent to Presidents and Secretaries once the Council receives it.

October 4 Ozanam Orientation

Council Meeting Room 8:00am to 1:30pm Click here to *REGISTER*

October 14
Home Visit Training
6:00pm – 8:30pm
Click here to REGISTER

October 21

Annual Reports are due to the Waukesha Council

October 27
Quarterly District Council Membership Meeting
Location TBD
6:00pm - 8:00pm

This meeting will include the Commissioning Ceremony for the new and second term Presidents. Please *RSVP Here* if you are planning to attend.

PETITIONS

Prayers for Health

Rick Boettner, President St. Jerome Conference

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