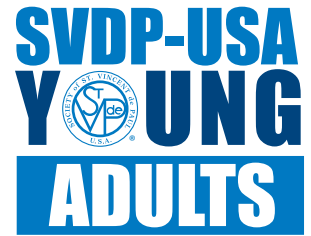




Society of St. Vincent de Paul National  
Young Adult Service Day Prayer

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“Sons (and daughters) of Vincent de Paul, let us learn of Him to forget ourselves, to devote ourselves to the service of God and the good of men. Let us learn of Him that holy preference which shows most love to those who suffer most.” - Bl. Frédéric Ozanam

L: In the Name of the Father...

**All: Amen.**

L: Come, Holy Spirit, live within our lives.

**All: And strengthen us by Your love.**

L: Send forth Your spirit and new life will be created.

**All: And the whole face of the earth will be renewed.**

L: A reading from the Holy Gospel according to John (13:12-15):

“After he had washed their feet, Jesus put his cloak back on and reclined at table once more. He said to them: “Do you understand what I just did for you? You address me as ‘Teacher’ and ‘Lord,’ and fittingly enough, for that is what I am. But if I washed your feet—I who am Teacher and Lord—then you must wash each other’s feet. What I just did was to give you an example: as I have done, so you must do.”

**All: United in prayer and action, may we become a visible sign of Christ and may we give witness to His boundless love, which reaches out to all and draws them to love one another in Him.**

Let us pray: *(Alternate sides)*

Saint Vincent de Paul, apostle of the charity of Christ, give us the grace of loving God through the work of our hands and the sweat of our brow. Help us to abandon ourselves to God’s Providence, faithfully discovering God’s action in all the events of our lives.

Blessed Frédéric Ozanam, sustain in us our desire to discern and accomplish the will of God. Obtain for us a tender heart filled with compassion for the distress and suffering of others, especially the most helpless in this world.

**All: Holy Spirit, accompany us in our service towards humankind and intercede for us before the Son of God so that in our work, our families, our neighborhoods, our parishes and our communities, we become impassioned by their Gospel of love. Amen.**

**All: In the Name of the Father...**

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**Goal:** To unite young adults across the United States in a day celebrating the work of the Society of St. Vincent de Paul, incorporating SVdP's three focus areas: faith, service, and friendship. This is a perfect opportunity to reach out to local young adults who might be interested in becoming more involved as young adult Vincentians.

**When:** We understand that it is difficult to find one date that will work in all communities so SVdP National Young Adult Service Day 2020 is preferred for April 25th but can take place anytime within the month of April.

**Structure of Day:** Local organizers can determine the structure of the day that best suits their area. Incorporate **faith, service, and friendship** opportunities throughout the day. Examples: 1. Begin with Mass. Then service project. End with game night. 2. Start with workshop. Then Adoration and service project. End with dinner. 3. Work on a service project. Follow with a group prayer and reflection. Host a fundraising social in the evening.

**Examples of spirituality piece:**

- Opening & Closing prayers
- Mass
- Hour of silent prayer or Adoration
- Intercessory prayer / sharing of intentions
- Participants praying for each other's hearts and abilities to serve others
- Sharing of short readings & quotes from our founders/patrons followed by small group discussion

**Examples of service piece:**

- Everyone contributes to one large effort
- Broken into multiple groups which spread out around the city
- Chores/visits for seniors
- Food pantry/collection; serving meals
- Home visits
- Designed activity/party for local children
- Gardening
- Cleaning/organizing
- Creating gifts/writing letters for others
- Care packages for the lonely, depressed, runaways, etc

**Examples of friendship piece:**

- Icebreakers & name tags
- Group meals
- Go out for an activity like bowling, movie, or game night
- Going out for a drinks or dinner
- Hosting a fundraiser social event

**REGISTER**

<https://bit.ly/2U0KEwG>

Deadline: March 27, 2020

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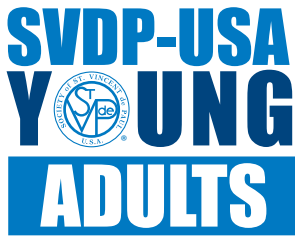
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Where are young adults in my community who might be interested in SVdP?

This event is primarily for those identified as young adults in the Society (18-35) and should be marketed within that demographic; however, use your discretion.

Young adults are often 1) at work 2) at group events such as sporting events/concerts/community events 3) at diocesan or local young adult faith events such as Theology on Tap 4) active in other group social activities such as summer sports leagues, MeetUps, outdoor clubs and professional networking events. They often are also interested in travel. Additionally, married young adults are also at home, at their kids' school and sporting events, at mass, at the grocery store and in communication with other parents of young children.

How should you promote this event?

We can supply flyer designs, logos, etc. and other resources. We suggest social media, flyers, handouts emails, and word of mouth! Go to Theology on Tap, pass out flyers following Mass, have a booth at a large community event, etc. Reach out to your diocese, local SVDP Conferences, local young adult groups, college campus ministries, etc. Personal invites are always recommended! For more ideas, feel free to contact us.

All participating SVdP National Young Adult Service Day events should have the following in common:

- Permission Forms as locally required as well as permission to take pictures and use them for promotional purposes
- Inclusion of the SVdP USA logo on promotional items. We recommend providing T-Shirts.
- Using the title of the event "SVdP National Young Adult Service Day" or "SVDPYA Service Day"
- Share & Post on Social Media with these hashtags - #svdpYA #svdpYAserviceday #svdpYA2020
- Tag @SVdPYA on Twitter and Instagram, @SVDPYoungAdults on Facebook so that we can all see each other's involvement and compassion so we can repost
- Incorporate the National Service Day Prayer
- Follow-up report to National YA Committee with photos

Strongly Recommended:

- Use an online signup to allow for easy registration for the event like SignUpGenius or Google Forms
- Collecting participant contact info so you can notify them of other upcoming SVdP opportunities
- Having another service opportunity or event already planned that you can promote at this event
- Distributing materials listing social media (local and national), upcoming events, contact information

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## OUR FOCUS



### FAITH

Putting our faith into action.  
Seeing Christ's face in those we serve.  
Sharing, Reflecting, and Praying



### SERVICE

Personal interaction with friends in need.  
Empowering the voices of the poor.  
Pursuing a charitable and just world.



### FRIENDSHIP

Making meaningful, life-long friendships.  
Encouraging and supporting one another  
on our journeys in faith.

## WHEN

## WHERE

## WHAT

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