WEEKLY BULLETIN ANNOUNCEMENTS

Second Quarter-2023

April - May - June

The "Weekly Bulletin Announcements", based on the Gospel of each Sunday, are suggested for your parish weekly bulletin.

<u>The action statement can easily be adapted to fit your local needs.</u>

This is a very effective way for the Society of St. Vincent de Paul to encourage all the members in the parish:

- **To have ears to hear the "cries of the poor,"**
- **To have eyes to "seek and find the forgotten, the suffering or the deprived," and**
- **To have hearts that "bring God's love to the poor" through their generosity and donations.**

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April 5: **Easter Sunday**

Today as we celebrate the feast of Easter, we find the challenge of also seeing and believing the resurrection that comes through our own lives of self-sacrifice. It is then that we are truly Easter people!

> **As you place your gift in the Society of St. Vincent de Paul Poor Box, know that you are a sign of God's love to those who are suffering, and you give them Easter hope and joy.**

April 12: **Second Sunday of Easter:**

In the Gospel today, Jesus stands in the midst of us and says: "Peace be with you!"

> **During Mass we turn to each other and say, "Peace be with you!" As you put your gift into the St. Vincent de Paul box you say, "Peace be with you!" to those who are poor and hungry.**

April 19: **Third Sunday of Easter:**

In this Sunday's Gospel, as we hear the story of the disciples on the road to Emmaus, we also come to know that our daily reaching out to our neighbor is our daily walk with the risen Christ; we recognize him in others.

> **This month, through your gifts, the Society of St. Vincent de Paul brought the love and care of Jesus to the poor by assisting _____families, providing_____ in food, _____for utility and rent bills, etc. Thank You!**

April 26: **Fourth Sunday of Easter**:

Today, we celebrate "Good Shepherd Sunday" where we reflect on Jesus' care and love of us and hear his words, "I came so that they may have life and have it more abundantly."

> **By your gift to the Society of St. Vincent de Paul you will reveal the love of the "Good Shepherd" to your suffering brothers and sisters.**

May 3: **Fifth Sunday of Easter**

In the Gospel today, Jesus says "…whoever believes in me will do the works that I do, and will do greater ones than these, because I am going to the Father.

> **Through your almsgiving you are performing a good work; far greater than you think. The coins placed in the**

St. Vincent de Paul Poor Box bring Christ love and compassion to the poor.

May 10: Sixth Sunday of Easter

In the Gospel today, Jesus says to us: “If you love me, you will keep my commandments…Whoever loves me will be loved by my Father and I will love him and reveal myself to him.

When we give to the poor, God indeed pours his love, peace and joy into our hearts, into our lives and through us into the hearts of those who are poor.

May 17: The Ascension of the Lord

Today as we celebrate the feast of the Ascension we are reminded that Christ’s saving work on earth continues through his disciples…and now through us.

Is there a family you know who needs assistance? Please call the Society of St.Vincent de Paul so that together we can bring peace to those who are hungry.

May 24: Pentecost

Today as we celebrate Pentecost, Jesus says to his disciples: “Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, so I send you.”

This month, through your gifts, the Society of St. Vincent de Paul brought the love and care of Jesus to the poor by assisting _____families, providing_____ in food, _____for utility and rent bills, etc. Thank You!

May 31: **Solemnity of the Most Holy Trinity**

As we celebrate the mystery of the Trinity we also realize the mystery of how much God loves and cares for us each day. Believing in this our lives can then overflow in thanksgiving and praise.

Your gift in the St. Vincent de Paul Poor Box will help the poor to believe in the mystery of God's love for them.

June 7: **Solemnity of the Body and Blood of Christ**

Today as we celebrate the gift of the Body and Blood of Christ let us pray for those who are hungry, malnourished and starving.

Is there a family you know who needs assistance? Please call the Society of St.Vincent de Paul so that together we can help those who are hungry.

June 14: **Eleventh Sunday in Ordinary Time**

In the Gospel today we hear Jesus say to his disciples, "The harvest is abundant but the laborers are few; so ask the master of the harvest to send laborers for his harvest."

Have you considered answering the call to join the Society of St. Vincent de Paul?

June 21: **Twelfth Sunday in Ordinary Time:**

In the Gospel today, we hear Jesus say: "Everyone who acknowledges me before others I will acknowledge before my heavenly Father."

This week, know that you will bringing hope to the poor by your gift to the Society of St. Vincent de Paul.

June 28: **Thirteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time:**

In today's Gospel hear Jesus tell us: "Whoever gives only a cup of cold water to one of these little ones to drink because the little one is a disciple—Amen, I say to you, he will surely not lose his reward."

This month, through your gifts, the Society of St. Vincent de Paul was able to "acknowledge the goodness of the Father" by assisting _____families, providing_____ in food, _____in gifts, and _____for utility and rent bills.