



ST. VINCENT DE PAUL CATHOLIC CHURCH

**Stewardship Report
2020-2021**

Greetings,

Dear St. Vincent, de Paul Parishioners:

As we approach the end of the 2020 year, we have all been touched by the pandemic and its affects in our lives. Amidst this reality, we continue to live faithfully and creatively as a priestly people of God. Our hope inspires us to strive toward holy living and pastoral care. I want to express my gratitude for your faith and commitment to our parish. Your time, talent, and treasure are pillars that make of our community one that is reflective of our patron St. Vincent, who dedicated his life to the most vulnerable and the formation of clergy. He once said: "Let us allow God to act; He brings things to completion when we least expect it." God has blessed, guided, and cared for our parish through you in surprising ways!

In this report, we would like to share, in a spirit of openness, information regarding our mission, ministry program activities and finances. Every year parishes should prepare and make available to the faithful the current financial position, members of staff and councils, and significant benchmarks as well as goals for the near future. I invite you to thank God first and foremost, reflect on what we have done this year and how to share with others the blessings we receive in our parish coupled with a desire to invite others to join our parish family in the varied ministries and programs we have.

In Christ,
Fr. Hugo, MSpS – Pastor



MISSION

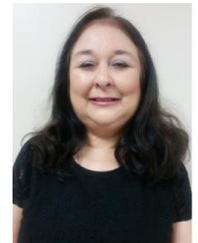
We the faith community of St. Vincent de Paul Catholic Church strongly embrace the charism of our patron in serving those in need. We call upon the Holy Spirit to empower us to follow the example of our Lord to spread the Good News. We are a community that is welcoming, supportive and enabling to all in every phase of our life. Our mission is to be disciples in spreading the Good News through evangelization, education, and worship.



STAFF

Parish Staff serves as those responsible for the day-to-day management of the parish. Their responsibilities are to perform all administrative tasks required including correspondence, bookkeeping, facilities management, and coordination of all parish council's activities. It may be composed of salaried employees, volunteers, or both.

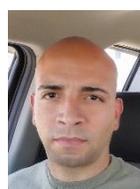
Name	Position
Fr. Hugo Maese, MSpS	Pastor
Fr. Gerardo Cisneros, MSpS	Parochial Vicar
Fr. Juan Antonio Romero, MSpS	In residence
Br. Rudy Martinez, MSpS	In residence
Br. Jorge Haro, MSpS	In residence
Br. Jesus Romo, MSpS	In residence
Ed Garcia	Permanent Deacon
Francisco Suniga	Permanent Deacon
Josie Dobroski	Dir. Of Religious Education
Josie Dobroski	Interim Business Manager
Grace Hernandez	Parish Secretary
Rosemarie La Valle	Part time Parish Secretary
Josefa Camacho	Cook/Housekeeper
Lucio Camacho	Maintenance Technician
Octavio Cisneros	Custodian



PASTORAL COUNCIL

One of the most important objectives of a parish is to identify its goals in light of its own identity and vision. It is a primary function of the pastoral council, as a consultative body, to articulate these goals in light the parish's vision, its pastoral needs, and its gifts and strengths.

Name	Position
Carole Henry	Chair
Cecilia Cortez	Vice-Chair
Miguel Cortez	Member
Mariana and Jason Cooke	Member
Jose Colon	Member
Jack White	Member
Miguel Valdez	Member
Bill Massey	Member



FINANCE COUNCIL

The finance council is consultative in nature and advises the pastor in financial matters. Finance council meets to review the church financial structure and supports areas in budget preparation, involvement in stewardship, income and expense monitoring, investment programs and financing of building projects.

Name	Position
Arnie Luna	Chair
Lety Lozano	Secretary
Rodolfo Zavala	Member
Eddie Reyes	Member
Fr. Gerardo Cisneros	Member



BENCHMARKS

- Scenario 2023
- Pastoral Plan 2023
- Excellent Building Committee
- Expansion of the rectory backyard
- MSpS Community Serving our Parish
- Final Vows of Brothers Jorge and Rudy
- Spanish Masses on Thursdays and Saturdays
- Remodel and upgrade of grotto and prayer spaces
- New leadership and upgrades to Friendship House
- New condensing unit and thermostat for our Church
- Ordination of Francisco Suniga as permanent deacon
- Launching of the online Formed Evangelization Platform



Deacon Francisco Suniga



IMPRESSIONS



"The arrival of the Missionaries of the Holy Spirit at St Vincent De Paul has brought a breath of new life to our parish. When I moved into the parish in 1976, it was a large, happy, and flourishing community. Over the years, however, the neighborhood changed, the culture changed, and many people moved away, while others grew old. WOW!!! Fr Hugo and Fr Armando- young, energetic, cheerful, dynamic- new life, new ideas, and hope for the future. They introduced us to Conchita, and we all fell in love with her! We now have begun 2 groups of the Apostleship of the Cross- one in Spanish, one in English- both are thriving. Last year Fr Gerardo came to replace Fr Armando, and we gained 2 seminarians, Br Rudy and Br Jesus. Br Rudy will be making his solemn vows in August, and we will also be having the ordination of our candidate for the permanent diaconate...Our family is alive again and growing "in grace and favor". Thanks be to God for His many blessings, and especially for the Missionaries of the Holy Spirit! – *Lancy Pestello*

"Brings me joy to serve, to express and receive gratitude, acceptance and kindness. I live a life of gratitude! I am grateful for everyone and everything that has helped my journey what it is.... what I have done, has been God's inspiration." – *Irene Alfaro*

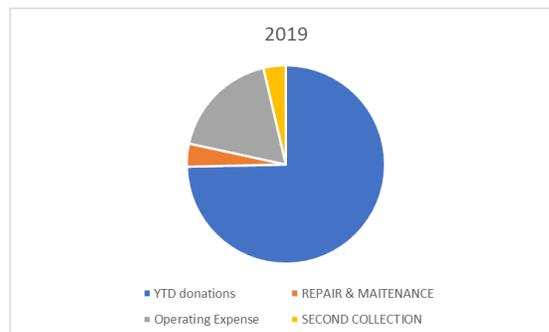
"So many things that I witness though this pandemic God continues to bless us" – *Frances Rodriguez*

"I found my place in the Music Ministry and Finance Council thanks to the ACTS ministry at our church which could only be sustained with the support of our parish community. Thank you!" - *Letty Lozano*

STEWARDSHIP – SVDP FINANCIAL REPORT

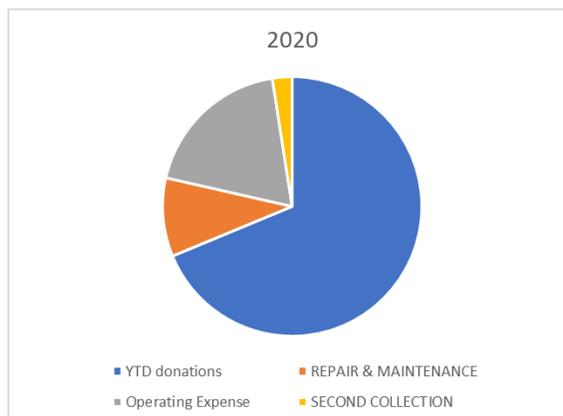
2019

YTD Donations: \$ 203,622.40
Operations: \$ 48,965.66
Repair & Maintenance: 10,229.18
Second Collection: \$9,980.35



2020

YTD Donations: \$ 196,805
Operations: \$ 54,385.20
Repair & Maintenance: \$ 28,036.98
Second Collection: \$7,024.44



Year to Date Donations: - A balance of all the donations that we have received through offertory, online giving, drop off donations, text to give, and split giving.

Second Collections – The collections included Archdiocesan and national collections required from each parish. Collections for our Friendship House are monies used for our parish ministry in helping provide food and clothing for people in need.

Repair and Maintenance – This is a designated fund for major maintenance projects. This fund is being built up with the donations that parishioner make using the envelopes in their contribution envelope boxes and through second collections. Within this savings is the parking lot fund. A major expense this year was the replacement of the 40-ton condensing unit and acquisition of new thermostat totaling **\$35,788.70**



Building (Chapel) Fund – This savings balance is what parishioners designated since 2001 regarding a project for a side chapel. Currently, the savings for this fund is **\$490,920.67**

Altar Society – Our Altar Society provides the selling of religious articles and candles to help maintain and supply costs for liturgical supplies. Currently, the savings for this fund is **\$5,315.38**

Summary

This year our parish has faced a decline in collections due to the pandemic. Like many families struggling to make ends meet, our parish has experienced challenges as well. We were unable to host our annual Fall festival and other fundraising events. Thankfully, our parish was recipient of the Federal Payment Protection Plan (PPP) which helped pay employee salaries for this fiscal year 2020-21. At the same time, as we end 2020 and look toward the future, we will require everyone's time, talent and treasure to make of our community a priestly people, living in holiness and committing to solidarity.

Your support to our parish continues to be a beacon of hope during these times. Your generosity, like the widow in the gospel who gave all she had is an example for us of being holy stewards of our parish. I have witnessed parishioners volunteering in new areas both in liturgy and administration. New musicians have shared their talents during our worship services. We continue to rely on your generous giving.



EDUCATION on GIVING

Sharing of Our Treasure – Supporting financial Needs

<p>ARCHBISHOP'S APPEAL</p> 	<p>ON THE WAY ¡ÁNDALE! CAPITAL CAMPAIGN</p> 	<p>WEEKLY PARISH COLLECTION</p> 
<p>ANNUAL PLEDGE</p>	<p>ABOVE AND BEYOND weekly giving</p>	<p>WEEKLY giving</p>
<p>The Archbishop's Annual Appeal supports many of the ministries of the Archdiocese that otherwise could not be funded by grants from the Appeal. This helps ongoing tuition assistance, year round programs for faith formation and sacramental prep at all college campuses, Recurring/living expenses seminarian fund, Diaconate psychological testing, tuition expenses, Priest Retirement; Year round CTSA programming costs; RCIA and Catechists certification; LMFF; Ongoing programs and services through Catholic Charities, St. PJs, Seton Home; Liturgical, pastoral, and ministry support through parish liaisons, training and parish life programs.</p> <p>We make a pledge to the Appeal each year. This year, our parish goal is \$35,271.31 and we pledged \$24,466.24</p> <p>Thank you!</p>	<p>Our goal for our parish is to raise \$690K within 3 years. The parish share is 35% if we reach our goal. With our share, three projects will be to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Expand Women's Church Restroom • Have a Raised Parish Center Roof • Replace Parish Center Windows <p>Currently our Parish has given:</p> <p>Collected Funds: \$165,516.83 Pledged: \$252,587.83</p> <p>With the collected 35%, we have begun the process for expanding the women's restroom. Work is expected to be completed by Spring 2020. We are still in need of your donations for reaching our goal</p> <p>Thank you!</p>	<p>Our weekly contributions to St. Vincent de Paul funds our local Parish operations and mission. This is how we maintain our own home. Thanks to your contributions, we are able to help cover employee salaries,</p> <p>The 2nd Collections help our repair and maintenance fund and Friendship House as well as the Archdiocesan required collections.</p> <p>Thank you!</p> 