

MINUTES FOR ST. ANDREW'S CONFERENCE MEETING

Date: 23 June 2025

Call to Order/Opening Prayer: Pauline **Time:** 5:04 PM

Spiritual Enrichment: Father Greg was out of town

Minutes of Previous Meeting: (X) Read/Approved; Approved with Changes

Motion by: Larry Seconded by: Jerry

Attendance: Total Active Members (32) LOA (0) Present (22) Absent (10) Quorum (16)

MEMBERS		MEMBERS		MEMBERS		Associate Member	
Al	X	Margaret	X			JoAnn	
Ann F.	X	Marge	A			Martha	
Ann L.	A	Mary Ellen	X			Mechelle	
Colleen	A	Mary	A			Michaela	
Dennis	A	Michael	A				
Diane	A	Norm	X				
Dotti	X	Pam	X				
Estela	X	Pat	X				
Francisca	X	Pauline	X				
Gini	A	Sandra	X				
Glenn	X	Scotty	X			Visitors	
Gloria	X	Stephen	A				
Hilary	X	Tom	X				
Ilona	X	Toni	X			Training	
Janet	X						
Jerry	X			Father Greg *		Judy Jones	X
Kathy	A			Stan *		Berlynda Schaff	
Larry	X						

*Stan and Father Greg - Not included in Quorum

June Birthdays – 10 June: Dottie

Pam gave a brief biography of her life and how she became a Vincentian.

Glenn and Diane want to thank everyone for all their prayers, cards, and thoughts during this difficult time.

Ann Faust gave an update on Deacon John – he suffered a TIA on Thursday, had a stent implanted in his carotid artery, and is waiting to be discharged from the hospital. He is doing well.

Mary Ellen said that Teresa is in Life Care awaiting further evaluation regarding her care.

Current Events:

Upcoming Events:

- 28 June 2025 – Funeral Mass for Gerald Chouard at 10:00 AM at St. Andrew's. According to the obituary, Bishop Kicanas will be presiding at Mass.
- 30 June/1 July 2025 – Funeral services for Brian McDaniel. Rosary at Hatfield's Funeral Home on 30 June 2025 at 5:00 PM and Mass at St. Andrew's on 1 July 2025 at 12:00 PM; reception to follow in Madonna Hall.
- 1 July 2025 – SVdP conference and food bank will be closed on 1 July 2025 so the Vincentians and staff can attend Brian's funeral. Both will open at 1:30 PM. A sign will be posted on the doors.
- 4 July 2025 – SVdP conference, food bank and thrift store will be closed.

Old Business:

NEW Business:

1. SSVEC: the SSVEC money for June has been spent.
2. United Way funds. We currently have \$4,200 left. This can be used for rent and utilities (gas, electric and water). The money we received is from a private donor.
3. Thrift Store:
 - a. Furniture Vouchers: The value of the furniture vouchers for the last month totaled over \$5,000. The store cannot afford to lose that much money every month. When giving a voucher to friends, make sure you tell them that what's on the list may not be in the store and that they must take the voucher to the front desk before they can shop. **If a friend is requesting a large item like a dresser, couch or mattress, etc., as a courtesy, the Vincentian can take a moment and call the store before the friend goes to the store anticipating they will get the item. No matter how many times you say "you can't promise anything" they do not listen and that phone call will help. The Vincentian MUST talk to Leah. and ask her if they have that item. It will reduce the possibility of a conflict.** Store personnel need to be made aware of this change.
 - b. Clothing Vouchers: If there are multiple adults in the home, other than the wife/husband/partner, please do a separate voucher for each adult. Remember to X out the areas on the form that do not apply to the individual.
 - c. Sleeping bags and tents are in the CONNEX at the SVdP office. Stan or Simon can access the CONNEX. Some of the sleeping bags and tents will be in the back office at the conference.
4. Pastor Daryll. Pastor Daryll is the Pastor for Krystal Light Ministries, which is off Moson and Ramsey Roads in the OLM area. Pastor Daryll received a letter from SVdP and had a meeting with Father Greg regarding the following:
 - a. Rent: **SVdP will not provide rent until a home visit is conducted.**
 - b. Food Bank: Pastor Daryll has to see a Vincentian before any food can be provided. If he wants food for multiple individuals, they need to be called to verify who they are and where they are living. No food goes out of the door until a slip is written by a Vincentian.
 - c. Friends: New/current friends need to be seen by a Vincentian so that a file can be either established or updated with the friend's information.
5. Issues were surfaced regarding John Arnoldbick (now known as Pastor John) and the housing he

provides. Pauline recommended that another home visit be done.

6. Please keep an eye on the schedule since many Vincentians are going on vacation.

7. Help is needed at the thrift store for the 6 July 2025 parking lot sale. If you can spare an hour or two, please let Leah know. This event will kick off the Christmas in July sale at the store. Hours are from 9:00 AM to 12:00 PM.

8. The CDBG grant will be announced at the 26 June 2025 city council meeting.

9. Al provided bus tickets to two individuals on Friday to Montana. He also got Slicks shuttle to take them to Benson to catch the bus. Al called Greyhound to see if they made the bus and was told they were a no show. Darrell, Slicks owner, told Al that we often hire them to pick up/drop off friends and the friends never show up.

10. Pat received a call on Friday that Vista Motel was going to charge us an extra \$10.00 because a friend, Paul Brien, who we provided a room for, had an additional guest who did not leave before the motel's curfew.

COMMITTEE REPORTS: 7 July 2025

- A. Food Bank Report:
- B. Thrift Store Report:
- C. Finance Report:
- D. Poor Box Report:

Vincentian Reports on difficult or touching cases:

Home visits:

Special cases:

For the Good of the Order:

Spiritual Reading: Margaret

Conference Members Sick or in Distress: Pauline's friend, Paul Parti, who is very ill; Ann Faust's grandson, Grayson, who is having surgery; Teresa, and Ruby.

Prayers for others: Will be emailed separately

Vincentian Schedule: Will be emailed separately.

COMMITTEE MEETINGS:

- Food Bank Meeting:
- Finance Meeting:
- Thrift Store Meeting:
- Ad Hoc Meeting:
- Board Meeting:

Vincentian meeting: 8 July 2025

Closing Prayer: Pat

Adjourned: 5:45 PM

Recorder: Pat