

MINUTES FOR ST. ANDREW'S CONFERENCE MEETING

Date: 28 July 2025

Call to Order/Opening Prayer: Father Greg Time: 5:04 PM

Spiritual Enrichment: Father Greg

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

Motion by: Ann Lund Seconded by: Larry

Attendance: Total Active Members (33) LOA (0) Present (27) Absent (6) Quorum (16)

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

*Stan and Father Greg - Not included in Quorum

July Birthdays – 31 July – Glenn

Father Greg: Handed out a picture of the modernized Icon of St. Vincent de Paul and the beggar, Christ. See attached for his comments.

Current Events: 52 food boxes went out today and 59 went out on Friday. Please remind our friends about the Salvation Army's Commodities Program.

Upcoming Events:

- 4 August 2025 – Weekly Vincentian Meeting

Old Business:

NEW Business:

1. SSVEC: SVdP received \$750 from SSVEC for August. In order to use the SSVEC money, the utility bill must have a disconnect or final notice and the friend must be a SSVEC member for the fund to be used for electric, gas, or water.

2. Diversion Funds. Catholic Community Services (CCS) has diversion funds that SVdP can use for rent and utilities. Connie Ortiz, CCS, is the point of contact. A request for up to \$3,000 can be made. The friend must provide the following information for application for diversion assistance:

a. The person can be single, a couple or a family.

b. They must provide a copy of their ID.

c. They must have a job for at least a month and they must have the last two pay stubs for all the adults living in the house. (A friend on SS, SSI, SSD, or retirement is not eligible for these funds.)

d. For each child in the house, they must provide a birth certificate.

d. A copy of the lease agreement and a copy of the W-9 form from the leasing company is required.

f. This assistance can only be used once within a 12-month period.

g. Blanca has the forms that need to be filled out by the friend. Once they have completed all the necessary paperwork and bring everything back to the Conference, Blanca will forward the information to CCS. Turnaround time for a response from CCS should be within 3-5 days.

h. Remind the friend that CCS will be calling them to follow-up on the information submitted.

i. Once approved, CCS will contact the friend and send the money to the apartment complex or utility. The Vincentian who helped the friend should follow-up to see if things were paid.

j. If a friend needs help with both rent and utilities and the total amount is under the \$3,000 limit, submit the paperwork for both.

k. Al asked if a friend who had been approved for diversion funds comes back to see SVdP in a month or two for help, do we help them? The situation should be addressed at that time as to whether or not SVdP can help.

l. Please make sure that the friend's file is annotated with all the necessary information.

3. Please make sure that when a friend comes in that you review all the information in the file and the blocks are updated.

4. Rent and utility help for our friends: Make sure that you ask the friend what they can contribute to the bill and remind the friend they need to come up with their portion before we can assist them. Also, if they need help with SSVEC, please tell them about a pre-pay account.

5. Pastor John Arnoldbick. Pauline talked with Pastor John after the meeting and addressed the fact that SVdP needs to see some type of written lease agreement between him and his tenant. Tom and Larry did a home visit to both of his houses, one on 2nd Street and one on Colombo. Tom said that both houses were clean. Pastor John's requirements for renting a room are that the person must be

working and they must attend his Bible study once a week

6. The funds will be changing so please attend next week's meeting. It is very important.

COMMITTEE REPORTS: Due 4 August 2025

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

Vincetian Reports on difficult or touching cases: Shana and her mother are moving to Mountain Vista Apartments on Busby Drive.

Home visits:

Special cases:

For the Good of the Order:

Spiritual Reading: Margaret

Conference Members Sick or in Distress:

Prayers for others: Will be emailed separately

Vincetian Schedule: Will be emailed separately.

COMMITTEE MEETINGS:

- Food Bank Meeting:
- Finance Meeting:
- Thrift Store Meeting: 12 August 2025, 10:00 AM, Madonna Hall
- Ad Hoc Meeting:
- Board Meeting: 26 July 2025, 10:00 AM, Madonna Hall

Vincetian meeting: 4 August 2025

Closing Prayer: Father Greg

Adjourned: 6:05 PM

Recorder: Pat