

AUGUST 2016

# Our Lady of Charity

Lancaster/Quartz Hill Conference

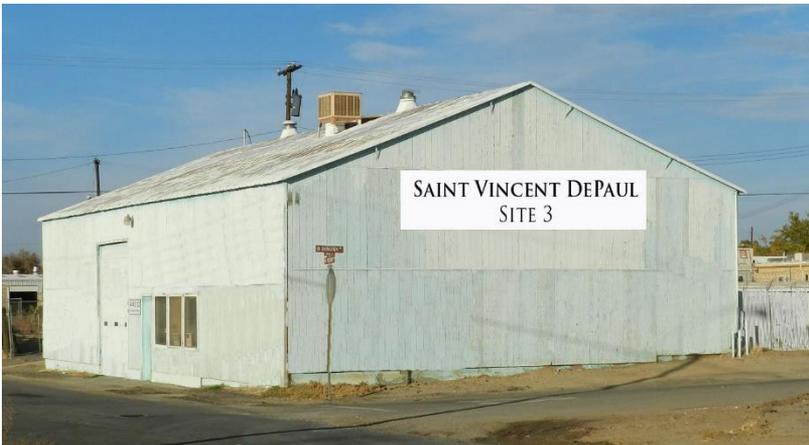
## “THE VINCENTIAN TRUMPET”



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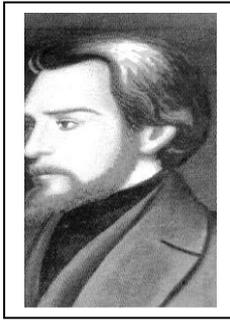
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## WHO WE ARE

For those of you who do not know us, we are Vincentians. Our founder pictured here, is Blessed Frederic Ozanam. In the spring of 1833, Frederic found himself challenged by fellow students to



“**show us your good works today**”. Frederic was deeply troubled by this challenge because he realized that it was true, people always talk about doing good for others but rarely do anything about it. Frederic promptly set out with some friends to change the way things were. They located a simple charity run by Sister Rosalie and began their new mission by taking bread tickets to the poor. A local baker would redeem them for a loaf of bread. Later that same year, they started their own charity, naming it after St. Vincent de Paul.

**Who are we?** We are your neighbors, your friends, your fellow workers, your priests. We are Christians who love to aid the poor in many different ways. And, yes, we still do things the old-fashioned way, just as Frederic and his friends did it over 180 years ago. We still take food to the poor families in need. We also comfort and care for the poor homeless who gather at our door, serving them a hot meal and giving them clean underwear, coffee, and a shoulder to cry on. Before they eat, we start our day with a prayer of thanksgiving to the Lord. If you'd like to help us in some way, come and join in. If you can't, you can still be a Vincentian at heart just by sending us a check so that we can continue to do our Lord's work. A few people have even given us their cars. Not one of us receives even a penny.

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# August 2016

## Calendar and other St. Vincent de Paul Events

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
	1 Soo	2	3 Women of Grace	4 Miriam Sisters	5	6 Mauricio
7	8 Mary M./ Meeting: 6-8 p.m.	9	10 Mac & Sue	11 Margarita	12	13 Little Caesar's Pizza
14	15 OPEN	16	17 Janet	18 Fr. Serra	19	20 Hispanic Ministry
21	22 Knights of Columbus / Meeting: 6-8 p.m.	23	24 Mary M.	25 Fr. Serra	26	27 Holy Cross
28	29 Johnny/ Nancy	30	31			

*"God of justice, open our eyes to see you in the face of the poor. Open our ears to hear you in the cries of the exploited. Open our mouths to defend you in the public squares. Remind us that what we do to the least ones, we do to you. Amen."*

### United States Catholic Bishops

**NOTE:** If you have any questions or would like to prepare a meal for the homeless, please check the calendar for open days and call the Center at (661) 942-3222 on M-W-Th-Sat from 9 a.m. to 12 noon. Our mailing address is PO BOX 412, Lancaster 93584.

## ***OUR NEWSLETTER***

We are so grateful for the volunteers who allow us to continue to serve the homeless and needy families in Lancaster and Quartz Hill, even during the hot summer months. However, lots of folks are on vacation, so we'll be streamlining the newsletter for the next several months to accommodate our volunteers' vacation schedules.



### **Prayer Corner**

Anyone who wishes to add names can contact SVDP at [svdp@rpmwin.com](mailto:svdp@rpmwin.com). We would love to hear from you and hope that all our fellow Vincentians will lift these people in prayer: Lester Gilbert for dialysis and eye problems, our very active Roberta and Walt Schmitt, Pastor Jun of the Korean Church, and for all our clients, that God in his infinite mercy, will comfort them and send his angels to minister to them. Please pray for the repose of the souls of Bob Burton and Charles Beckman. Charles helped so many times over the years with our garage sales. **Praise God for all our success and ask him for healing for our people still in need of our prayers as well as all of our Vincentians who so generously give of their time and talents.**

# AUGUST BIRTHDAYS

- 3 Reggie Escarlan
- 16 Kathy Wetzel
- 20 Dan Vernor
- 22 Armando Ortiz
- 26 Rose Windorski

# Happy Birthday!



## REMINDER:

Keep the 2 & 4 oz. medicine bottles coming. We give away about 50 bottles a day filled with shampoo, conditioner or lotion that the homeless need. Don't forget to mark out your name and empty the bottles of medicine. We thank you for helping us help the poor.

# IN LIEU OF A PASTOR'S LETTER, PLEASE ENJOY THESE PRAYERS---

“Let us come to God not with our feet but with our affections; let us come not by moving from one place to another but by loving. When someone is transported by the heart, he or she changes affection by the movement of the heart”. **St. Augustine of Hippo**

“The courage which the Lord gave me is one of the greatest favors bestowed upon me. It is wrong for a soul to behave like a coward or to fear anything except offending God, since we have an all-powerful King and a Lord so mighty.” **St. Teresa of Avila**

“Everyone who breathes, young and old, man and woman, has a mission, has a work. We are not sent into this world for nothing. We are placed in our different ranks and stations, not to get what we can out of them for ourselves, but to labor in them for God. As Christ has his work, we too have ours; as he rejoiced to do his work, we must rejoice in ours also.”  
**St. John Neumann**

“Let us speak the truth in our hearts and not practice treachery with our tongues, so that by pouring forth charity more and more in our hearts, the Spirit of truth may teach us recognition of all truth.”. **St. Bede the Venerable**

“As you esteem yourself, so must you consider your neighbor. If you love yourself because you love God, you will have the same love for your neighbor. As for your enemies, esteem them not for what they are but for what they may one day become.”

**St. Bernard of Clairvaux**

”We should strive to keep our hearts open to the sufferings and wretchedness of other people, and pray continually that God may grant us that spirit of compassion which is truly the Spirit of God.”

**St. Vincent de Paul**

