



## St. Vincent Pallotti Parish

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Greetings in the Lord. We remain ever grateful to God who has been blessing us abundantly.

During November we especially express our gratitude to our loved ones who departed from this world by praying for them. Attending Mass on as many weekdays as possible and having Masses said for them are great ways to help them if they are in need. We never know who still needs our help. We also remember those who enriched our parish in whatever way.

There are so many ways we ourselves can enrich our parish family. In doing so we not only help our community but we grow ourselves and glorify God. I invite you to prayerfully consider the '**ministry opportunity (time & talent) form**' included in this mailing. Please read my messages in the bulletins on this topic. The form shows you that everyone including the home bound can contribute. Our prayers and sacrifices form the soul of our apostolate. They bring us closer to God and help our brothers and sisters. For those who can do more other opportunities for ministry are listed.

We are really in need of finance; please do the best you can. But our contribution is in no way limited to money. We never want to forget that we ourselves are the greatest blessing, the best gift. The Lord needs us and the community looks up to us. Please continue to share your time, talents and treasure with grateful hearts.

God bless you all. Let us pray for one another.

Fr. Thomas Kuttiyanickal  
(Administrator)

John Hyland  
(Stewardship committee chair)



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### **HOUSE OF PEACE**

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Inspired by the gospel of Jesus and the example of Francis of Assisi, the Capuchin friars of the Province of Saint Joseph, together with our partners in ministry, prayerfully build sister-brotherhood in the world. We attend simply and directly to the spiritual and other basic human needs, especially those of the poor and disenfranchised, promoting justice for all.

In 2014, the House of Peace served our guests with food, clothing and other services. Here are the numbers:

The Emergency Food Pantry served 17,494 individuals, provided formula to 460 infant homes, distributed 4,873 senior stock boxes, and provided bread to 13,934 people. During the holidays the Food Pantry also distributed Holiday Food Boxes. At Thanksgiving we served 1,425 households with 2,781 individuals. At Christmas we served 1,075 households with 5,526 individuals. Families with children participate in the Christmas distribution because toys, books, and warm clothing are provided with the boxes. The completed boxes that returned to us weighed 183,216 lbs. The estimated value of those food boxes was over \$90,000! The Capuchin Clothes Closet served 19,500 individuals last year. All clothing is new or gently used, and all clothing is distributed free of charge.

We couldn't serve so many people in need without the help of groups and individual volunteers. Last year over 100 groups ran Holiday Food Box drives.