



St. Vincent Pallotti Parish

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The Lord has blessed us with warmer weather, bright days and good rain fall. I hope you are enjoying the summer. Speaking of weather, we are grateful to the Lord for the fine weather we had for the parish picnic. We hope you were there and had fun. We are thankful to all those who worked hard to make it happen. It took a lot of hands and good organization to make it happen. It is always uplifting to see so many people working so hard in service of the community. Working together like this is a true community experience. There was a true Christian spirit in action.

We need your prayers and support. As you can see in the bulletin, our collection is going down. There are staff changes both in the parish and school that makes things challenging for us. We are running short on ministers especially during summer. During the month of July we are experimenting with fewer communion ministers at each Mass. It will be a slight inconvenience for those who occupy the side pews. On the brighter side we are happy that four people have accepted my invitation to join the Pastoral Council. It helps us to keep a balance when three present members of the council are leaving the council for valid reasons.

Let us continue to treat our parish as a family. Let us keep praying for those who are sick or homebound, for those who travel for vacation during these months and for the children who are enjoying their long summer vacation.

Fr. Thomas Kuttiyanickal
(Administrator)

John Hyland
(Stewardship Committee Chair)



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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.

St. Ben's Community Meal

- St. Ben's Community Meal is served six nights a week, Sunday to Friday, from 5:15 to 6:30. In 2015, 105,226 meals were served for an average of 347 meals per evening.
- 2,569 Local Bus Tickets and 159 Intercity Tickets served.
- 1,457 were served Prescription Co-pays and 2,450 guests received hygiene items. Many were provided haircuts, showers, eyeglasses.

House of Peace

- The Emergency Food Pantry served 17,848 individuals, provided formula to 553 infant homes, 5,664 senior stock boxes and bread to 15,799 people.
- At Thanksgiving we served Holiday Food Boxes to 1,651 households with 4,047 individuals. At Christmas we served 1,330 households with 6,239 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 215,248 lbs. The estimated value of those food boxes was over \$115,000!
- The Capuchin Clothes Closet served 15,171 individuals last year. All clothing is new or gently used, and all clothing is distributed free of charge.