



## St. Vincent Pallotti Parish

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Thank you for all the ways you support our parish, through your prayers, through your participation in the liturgy and through your financial contributions. We hope that you will be extra generous to your parish in this Easter season. Please consider making your contributions on line. We can help you to sign up.

As a parish family we rejoice that nine of our children received First Holy Communion on April 30<sup>th</sup>. We recall our own first communion where we felt so close to Jesus. We thank God for the gift of children, and for the families that nurture their faith. We congratulate them and offer them our prayers. We are grateful to the teachers who did a great job of preparing them for this joyous occasion.

We rejoice with four of our youth (and their family) who received the Sacrament of Confirmation on April 26<sup>th</sup> at St. Jude's Church together with youth from three other parishes. We pray that the gifts of the Holy Spirit may enable them to live the Catholic faith fully and undertake ministries that enrich the church.

We are grateful to the members of the UAC for their dedicated service to the parish and for organizing a luncheon on April 23<sup>rd</sup>, in commemoration of St. Vincent Pallotti's 222<sup>nd</sup> birthday.

We had a nice celebration of the Easter Triduum. There was impressive participation from all of you and from the Pallottine Fathers and Brother. We pray the Easter Joy will continue to fill our hearts and homes; may the continued presence of the Risen Lord enrich our lives.

Fr. Thomas Kuttiyanickal  
(Administrator)

John Hyland  
(Stewardship Committee Chair)



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Here is how I want my contribution for the month to be split/distributed:

Monthly contribution..... \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Dismas Ministry ..... \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Vincent De Paul Society..... \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Building maintenance ..... \$ \_\_\_\_\_

**Total (for the month) .....\$ \_\_\_\_\_**

## Dismas Ministry

### A National Catholic Prison Outreach

**providing free Catholic Scripture, faith and prayer resources to inmates**

We support restorative justice efforts for all who suffer the effects of crime: the victims and their loved ones, as well as prisoners, those released from prison, and the entire community. Dismas Ministry focuses primarily on a spiritual approach with prisoners who want to understand and strengthen their relationship with God. As one of them wrote, ***“Prisoners need God and the love of Jesus and Mary as much or even more than the population as a whole.”*** Prisoners who deepen their faith and grow in understanding of scripture will become less likely to offend others when they are released. For this reason, Dismas provides free Catholic bibles and faith study materials, and a prayer book for prisoners.

Dismas Ministry also supports victims of crime by creating an awareness of their needs in the community. It does this in various ways: by providing literature about victims’ needs and resources for their care, special prayer services for victims in which they can find support from the faith community and mutual encouragement from their fellow victims. Victims can lead the way in showing us how to be there for them.

Our goal is to reach inmates in all 50 states with our Catholic scripture, faith and prayer resources. We currently serve 43 states.