

St. Vincent Pallotti Parish

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"Love prospers when a fault is forgiven, but dwelling on it separates close friends."

Proverbs 17:9

Who do you need to forgive? It is not always easy to forgive someone who was hurt by you in any way. Is it someone in your family, a friend, a public figure, yourself? Is there someone you need to try harder to listen to? Lent begins this month and the cold, long days of winter are setting in. It is a good time for introspection, a good time to let those hard feelings go, and offer them up to God. It can soothe the soul to be able to let past hurts go and Lent is a great period of time to spend in prayer and reflection. We might also think about asking someone we feel we have hurt for forgiveness. The outside world is unsettled with all the current events. Let us take the time to quiet ourselves with prayer to find forgiveness in our hearts.

The top portion of this form should be detached and included with your contribution to the parish. The back side allows you to direct portions of your contribution to specific purposes.

Each month, the Human Concerns Commission researches a number of deserving charities and selects one for us to contribute to. The charity for this month is highlighted on the opposite side. We thank you for your continued support of the parish. May God bless you.

Sincerely,

Your Stewardship Commission

Here is how I want my contribution	on for the month to be split/distributed
Monthly contribution	\$
Ronald McDonald House	\$
Vincent de Paul Society	\$
Building maintenance	\$
Total (for the month)	\$
Check No	

RONALD MCDONALD HOUSE

The Ronald McDonald House in Milwaukee has been a "home away from home" providing more than 36,000 family stays. These families come from 569 Wisconsin communities, all 50 states, and many countries around the world whose children are receiving medical care at Children's Hospital of Wisconsin or other area hospitals. Last year we provided nearly 1,000 family stays. We offer a place to call home at little or no cost, so families can stay together. Many families try to contribute what they can—even if it's the suggested \$20 a night donation. In reality, our cost is \$100 per night.

No one is ever turned away for their inability to pay. The House is more than just a place to stay. We offer families therapeutic programming, a comprehensive meal program, comfortable community spaces and so much more. A team of over 600 volunteers and a small dedicated staff who are always ready to do whatever it takes to make a family's stay a little easier. Living in a community, side by side, families form friendships and support one another through difficult times. With our expansion we hope to never turn away another family who needs a "home away from home." RMHC Eastern Wisconsin recently completed a four story, 26,400 square foot expansion with 32 additional guest rooms allowing us to serve up to 70 families each night! -