



Fellow Parishioners,

Thank you for your past support of the Society of St. Vincent DePaul – St. John Vianney Conference. Your help has allowed our ministry to do great work in the community while building goodwill for our church and the Catholic faith. Many of our neighbors continue to struggle to make ends meet, so members of the Society of St. Vincent de Paul are doing what they can to help families in need in our community. We were recognized by Goodwill as their “Community Partner of The Year” for 2016. (*See attached article*).

**We are having our 5<sup>th</sup> annual “Walk for Those in Need” fundraiser on Saturday, May 6<sup>th</sup> at Triple Creek Park in Gallatin, TN.** This would be a great opportunity for you to help in this ministry. You can register to walk and/or donate at [walkforthoseinneed.com](http://walkforthoseinneed.com). You can also set up a Crowdrise Fundraiser account for the event at [saintvincentsummerfundraiser.com](http://saintvincentsummerfundraiser.com).

In 2016, the Society of St. Vincent de Paul - St. John Vianney Conference assisted 966 persons in need, many of who were elderly, disabled or children. Dedicated unpaid SVDP members contributed over 3,800 hours of case work, physical labor and administrative hours and fundraising. As all unpaid volunteers, no one in our organization receives any compensation. Our overhead rate is less than 5%.

All of our funds come from donations and fundraising events. Our annual “Walk for Those In Need” will generate much needed funds to enable us to continue to do our work and help more families.

Thanks again for any help you may have given us in the past and we thank you for your consideration in helping us this year.

Sincerely,

Clarence Payne  
President  
St. Vincent de Paul Society  
St. John Vianney Conference