

How You Can Help

The most needed **food pantry items** are cooking oil, spices, peanut butter, canned protein (such as tuna or chicken), canned low sodium fruits or vegetables, canned meals (such as Ravioli or beef stew), cereal, diced tomatoes, mac and cheese, and rice.

The most needed **personal care items** are toothpaste, toothbrushes, deodorant, razors, laundry detergent, dish soap, disinfectant spray or wipes, body wash, toilet paper, shampoo and conditioner, feminine hygiene products, toddler pull-ups, adult diapers, baby wipes, and hand soap.

Drop Off Your Items

Sunday July 7th

thru

Sunday July 21st

The donation barrels will be clearly marked and located in Sacred Heart Hall after Sunday Mass.

Immaculate Conception Church

2310 Robertson Avenue
Norwood, Ohio 45212

The Second Annual

Parish Food Drive

in Honor of St. Vincent de Paul

Immaculate Conception Church and Academy



Saint Vincent de Paul

Saint Vincent de Paul, born to a poor peasant family in 1581, was ordained in 1600. In 1605, he was captured by Turkish pirates, who took him as a slave to Africa.

After escaping and returning to France, he founded the Congregation of the Mission (also known as the Vincentians) in order to do priestly and charitable works, including ransoming Christian slaves in Africa.

With St. Louise de Marillac, he co-founded the Daughters of Charity, who cared for the sick, poor, elderly, insane, galley slaves, and soldiers on the battlefield.

St. Vincent died in 1660, and was canonized in 1737 by Pope Clement XII. His feast is celebrated on July 19th. What better way to honor his feast day than by feeding the hungry in our city?



The Society of Saint Vincent de Paul

The Society of Saint Vincent de Paul is an international association of Catholic laymen engaging systematically in service to the poor.

The society's establishment in May 1833 was partly a practical refutation of the socialist reproaches against Christianity in their time. "We admit the past grandeur of Christianity, but the tree is now dead and bears no fruit!" It was to this taunt that the young French lawyer and professor named Antoine-Frédéric Ozanam and his companions founded the Conference of Charity that would become known as the Society of Saint Vincent de Paul.

The organization has now grown to 800,000 members in over 150 countries with 1,500,000 volunteers.

2024 Parish Food Drive

Last year, Immaculate Conception Church's first annual parish food drive provided the SVDP food bank in downtown Cincinnati with over 1,000 meals, 400 diapers, and toiletries to accommodate approximately a dozen mid-sized households for a month.



If anyone is interested in volunteering their time or donating funds to the cause, please reach out to Joshua D. Speer at (915) 400-8810 or joshuaspeer@yahoo.com.