

Celebrate St. Vincent's Week

September 24 - 30, 2006



St. Vincent de Paul (1581 – 1660) was a French Roman Catholic priest who in 1625 founded the Congregation of the Mission, known as the Vincentians. In 1898, the Vincentians founded St. Vincent's College in Chicago, which in 1907 became DePaul University.

Known as the Apostle of Charity, Vincent dedicated his life to serving the poor and suffering, striving to make a difference in their lives and in his world. He strongly believed that education was central to his mission of service to the poor. Today, almost 400 years later, DePaul University integrates both service and a strong foundation of mission and community into the educational process, engaging students both intellectually and spiritually, thereby keeping alive the vision and tradition of St. Vincent.

The Office of Mission and Values is dedicated to enhancing the DePaul Community's understanding and support of the university's mission, and the Vincentian heritage that continues as the lifeline of our institution. To that end, we present St. Vincent's Week, a week-long celebration of community events that bring together faculty, staff, and students for discussions and celebrations in the spirit of St. Vincent de Paul. More about the Office of Mission and Values and other events throughout the year can be found at <http://mission.depaul.edu>

Sunday, September 24

Sunday Night Student Mass

This week's events will kick off at Sunday night mass at St. Vincent de Paul Church. A late night ice cream social will follow in the Student Center.

St. Vincent de Paul Church, 9:30 p.m. mass

Ice cream social to follow in Student Center Atrium

Monday, September 25

Prayer Breakfast with the President

Rev. Dennis Holtschneider, C.M. will host a prayer breakfast on Monday morning, to celebrate the feast of St. Vincent de Paul. The keynote speaker will be Pam Shea Byrnes, Vice President for University Ministry and Special Events at St. John's University in Queens, NY. RSVP to 312/362-8822.

Student Center 120, 8:00 a.m.

Vincent and Louise House - Open House

The members of the Vincent and Louise House service community invite the university to visit during an open house. Stop by the corner of Belden & Kenmore for community and refreshments.

Vincent and Louise House, 12:00 - 2:00 p.m.

Vincentian Leadership Model (Lincoln Park)

Dr. Marco Tavanti of the de Paul Leadership Project will present his findings and offer insights on the Vincentian Leadership Model. RSVP to 312/362-8822.

Richardson Library 300, 2:00 p.m.

Vincentian Endowment Fund Info Session (Loop)

Find out how your project, event, research topic, or other great idea to enhance the university's Catholic and Vincentian identity may qualify for funding from the Vincentian Endowment Fund. Inquiries and proposals from faculty, staff, and students are welcome!

DePaul Center 11013, 4:00 p.m.

"We Happy Few, We Band of Sisters"

Dr. Jean Richardson of Buffalo State College will talk about the Sisters of Charity founding the first hospital in Buffalo, NY, and their unusual role as early CEOs as part of the DeAndreis-Rosati Memorial Archives lecture series. RSVP to 312/362-8822.

Richardson Library 300, 5:30 p.m.

Tuesday, September 26

All Scream for Ice Cream (Lincoln Park)

Sweeten up your day with a delicious scoop of ice cream. Stop by the Vincent and Louise House, at Belden & Kenmore, for a free, icy treat!

Vincent and Louise House, 11:30 - 12:30 p.m.

"Who are the Students We Serve?" (Loop)

The de Paul Leadership Project will moderate a panel discussion of DePaul faculty, staff, and students, who will respond to the question "Who are the students we serve?" RSVP to 312/362-8822.

DePaul Center, North Cafeteria, 12:00 p.m.

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Richardson Library 300, 3:00 p.m.

Wednesday, September 27

Mass for Feast of St. Vincent de Paul

A special liturgy will be celebrated at the Loop campus, followed by a celebration lunch.
Mass in Lewis Chapel, 12:00 p.m.; lunch to follow in DePaul Center 8002.

Interfaith Justice Workers and Mayaworks

Learn about non-profit organizations that work towards fair labor practices from a religious perspective.
Student Center 2nd floor stage area, 2:00 p.m.

Blessing of the Vincent and Louise House

Fr. Chris Robinson, C.M. will offer a brief blessing of the Vincent and Louise House and its residents, as they begin another year of service in the tradition of St. Vincent de Paul.
Vincent and Louise House, 5:00 p.m.

Mass for Feast of St. Vincent de Paul

Following the Vincent and Louise House blessing will be a special feast mass and reception at St. Vincent de Paul Church, 1010 W. Webster.
St. Vincent de Paul Church, 5:30 p.m.
Reception at Church, following mass

All Scream for Ice Cream (Loop)

Sweeten up your evening class with a delicious scoop of ice cream. Stop by the Student Center in the DePaul Center, 11th floor for a free, icy treat!
DePaul Center 11th floor, 4:30 - 5:30 p.m.

Suburban Celebrations

The Feast of St. Vincent de Paul will be celebrated at four suburban locations. Enjoy cookies, coffee, and community!
Naperville Campus, 5:00 p.m.
O'Hare Campus, 5:00 p.m.
Oak forest Campus, 5:00 p.m.
Rolling Meadows Campus, 5:00 p.m.

Thursday, September 28

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"In Our Times, The Unfinished Work of Frederic Ozanam"

David Gregory, J.D., Professor of Law, St. John's University, and Rev. Craig B. Mousin, J.D., University Ombudsperson at DePaul, will present the annual St. Vincent de Paul Lecture. Please join this presentation on how the work and goals of Frederic Ozanam, the founder of the St. Vincent de Paul Society, remain relevant and challenging in today's world. RSVP to 312/362-8822.
Richardson Library 300, 5:30 p.m.

Friday, September 29

Just and Living Wage Forum and Workshops

In following the St. Vincent DePaul Lectures that will focus on Frederic Ozanam, the conference on Friday September 29 will address Ozanam's idea about a natural wage and how that compares to the movement for a living wage today in the context of our Vincentian mission. The morning sessions will look at living wage issues both domestically and globally with the afternoon sessions exploring some of the living wage issues in Chicago, including discussion of the recent big box ordinance. RSVP to 312/362-8822.
Workers' Issues and Rights in a Global Context
DePaul Center 8005, 9:00 a.m.
Living Wage in Practice at a Vincentian, Catholic, and Urban University
DePaul Center 8005, 2:00 p.m.

Saturday, September 30 - Help Your Community!

DCSA Volunteer Day

Join the DePaul Community Service Association for a morning of volunteer service at one of 15 service sites throughout the city. Picnic to follow in the afternoon upon returning from sites. Contact Greg Stolhand at 773/325-1193.