

# SVP

## St Vincent de Paul Society

### "TURNING CONCERN INTO ACTION"

#### **Vincentian Vision and Values for Members and Conferences**

**VISION:** To bring the love of Christ to the suffering and those in need.

**MISSION:** To seek and find those in need and to serve them through person to person contact, irrespective of age, colour, creed, gender, or ideology.

**VALUES:**

- \* We are non-judgemental.
- \* We respect the dignity and wishes of the individual at all times.
- \* We are generous with our time, our possessions, and ourselves.

#### **St Joseph's & St Bede's SVP Conference, Basingstoke**

##### **Report: January to December 2017**

SVP members meet fortnightly, alternately at St Joseph's and St Bede's on Mondays at 7.30 pm. The conference has 11 full and 2 auxiliary members. Auxiliary members do not attend meetings but assist full members in their SVP work.

##### **Activities:**

We visit families and individuals in need; the housebound; ex-offenders and the elderly and sick at home, in nursing and residential homes, and in hospital. In the past year we made 780 visits to families and individuals.

Two members are part of the Hospital and Hospice Chaplaincy Team.

We provide practical or financial assistance where possible and appropriate, and have provided such assistance on 17 occasions over the past year.

We are twinned with two conferences overseas: We exchange letters, Christmas and Easter cards, and send annual support to each conference for their work with the poor.

We support the SVP Disaster & Relief Fund (through our National Office) and local charities such as the Camrose Resource Centre, Helping Hands for the Blind and Prisoner Resettlement

We provide assistance for the South Ham Senior Citizens' Lunch Club. Our members are also involved in Neighbour Care, Church Cleaning, Food Bank (from whom we accept referrals) and Holiday at Home.

## **Financial Report (July 2015 – June 2016)**

### **INCOME:**

From members' contributions, individuals, church  
collections + balance carried forward = £4607

### **EXPENDITURE:**

Local families, individuals in need, etc.	= £2234
Twinnage/Disaster fund	= £240
SVP Support (National Office)	= £706
Masses	= <u>£65</u>
TOTAL	= £3245

**Balance carried forward** = £1362

**The conference is most grateful for the prayers and generous support  
of the parishes.**

*If you would like to join or help us, please contact one of our SVP  
members or the parish office at:*

St Joseph's Parish, Basingstoke (tel: 01256 323595)

or

St Bede's Parish, Basingstoke (tel: 01256 465214)