



St. Vincent Mission

People Helping People Since 1968

Our Mission

St. Vincent Mission is a community of people in Appalachia dedicated to sharing the expression of Christian values.

We believe that all persons have a God-ordained right to the basic needs of life in order to meet their full potential. Our vision is one of hope that leads us toward continued growth.

Our Services

- ◆ Home Repairs
- ◆ Food Pantry
- ◆ Emergency Assistance
- ◆ Grow Appalachia program
- ◆ Christmas Store program
 - ◆ Ida Scholarship Fund
- ◆ Summer youth programs
- ◆ Skills building activities for families and children
- ◆ Faith & Finances program
 - ◆ Clothing & household items through the David Boutique

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We helped 185 kids get ready for school!

The annual Back to School Fun Day was a huge success at St. Vincent Mission on July 27.

We served 185 children this year from families who came from all around the county.

Activities included a picnic lunch, games and inflatables.

Parents and school-aged children were taken on a first-come, first-served basis to the David Boutique to pick out backpacks and find five tops and two bottoms, a pair of shoes, and underwear for the children.

The giving continued the following week, as more parents stopped by to pick up backpacks and clothes their children needed for school.

We are blessed to be able to serve these families and share a bit of hope and light with them.





St. Vincent Mission hosts Bible camp

Kids from around the county attended this year's Bible Camp, which was held this summer at St. Vincent Mission in David.

Julia from the visiting home repair group offered Bible-centered games, songs, crafts, and readings, and several teenagers also volunteered to help.

It was awesome!

Some of the activities included making tie-dyed shirts, creating wind chimes, and playing on the inflatable water slide.

St. Vincent Mission Women's Retreat

St. Vincent Mission gave women a chance to relax and reflect on God's work in their lives during our Women's Retreat, which was held July 12-13.

We provided three meals and a craft activity during

this event, which was full of inspiration and reflection on God's word.

Erin Bottomlee did a guided reading of Ephesians on both days, while other speakers shared their knowledge about strengthening

families, reducing stress, and, among other things, promoting health and wellness.

Ten women joined us at the Women's Retreat this summer. We plan to host more retreats in the future.

Book Talk: *Time to Ship Another Steer*

St. Vincent Mission was honored to host a presentation by author and longtime volunteer Bill Mueller on July 25.

Bill, who has volunteered for the mission's home repair program for years, presented a "Book Talk" about his latest book, "Time to Ship Another Steer."

He shared humorous stories from his book and related those stories to everyday life in America.

Bill comes from a family of storytellers. This book is a collection of his memories about growing up on a farm in Kenosha, Wisconsin, as one of eleven children. It shares the stories about rural life in the 1950s and 1960s.

The book was published independently in March 2018 and it's available on Amazon.

True to his volunteer spirit, Bill had copies of his book available for purchase and he donated a portion of the proceeds from those sales to the mission.

In celebration of this event, St. Vincent Mission provided a main course for a "pot luck" dinner that evening, and attendees provided side dishes and desserts.

We are grateful to be able to spend time with wonderful volunteers like Bill. We are thankful that people who inspire us are willing to visit with us and teach us the lessons they've learned in life.



Author Bill Mueller talks about his book, "Time to Ship Another Steer." Sr. Kathleen is also pictured.

We can't do what we do without people like you!



Sr. Kathleen's great niece Jenna and her friend Cheyanne from Pittsburgh, Penn.

At St. Vincent Mission, we're so blessed to have volunteers who are willing to help others. The work they do is vitally important. They help us give hope to people who might not otherwise see it. They help us shine a light. They help us share God's love.

This summer, we have welcomed volunteers from all over the U.S., and we're so grateful.



St. Mary's Catholic Church
Caledonia, Minn.



St. Agnes Catholic Youth Group
Nashville, Ind.

Visiting friends, making new ones

This spring, Sr. Kathleen met current and former donors in Oregon and California.

She was accompanied by her high school friend and St. Vincent donor Pat Tabor, who is now lovingly known as our "Official Roadie."

Here are a few of the wonderful people they met on the trip.

They made us feel at right at home!



Pat Tabor



Maria Slizys



Pat O'Toole



Peggy Protage met Sr. Kathleen and Pat in California along with her sister Bridgette and her husband Mike.



Jeannie and Marie
Carraro

Some of these folks have been helping us help others for decades!



Maria Cianci, sister of volunteer Paula Cianci



St. Athanasius Catholic Church Youth Group
West View, Penn.

Honoring those we love by helping others

Honorary Donations

- ♦ **Sr. Kathleen Weigand**
by Susan Davidson
- ♦ **Sonny Schultz**
by Donald Ketchum, Mark Link,
and Susan & Walter Wloch
- ♦ **Pat Tabor**
by Kevin & Tia Tabor
- ♦ **Old Timer's Club**
by Frank Collopy
- ♦ **George Curran**
by Bob & Barb Perkaus
- ♦ **Bob Perkaus III**
by Bob & Barb Perkaus

Memorial Donations

- ♦ **Emily Pendelton**
by Sr. Kathleen Weigand, Jennifer
Sparkman, Erin Bottomlee, Susan
Greene, Mike Harbin, Tracey Slone,
Lori Gearheart
- ♦ **Penny Burns**
by Sr. Kathleen Weigand, Knights of
Columbus #14234
- ♦ **Timothy Tomcho**
by Bonnie Tomcho
- ♦ **Bob Meyer**
by Mt. Tabor Benedictines, Steve &
Sue Sanders
- ♦ **Natalie**
by Aunt Sandy

- ♦ **Sr. Helen Misola**
by Richard & Theresa Kimlinger
- ♦ **Joyce Everly**
by Dave & Donna Music, Raymond
& Louise Maitoza, Sr. John Everly
- ♦ **Doug Stulin**
by Joseph & Maryann Hartmann
- ♦ **Tom Thetard**
by Stephanie Malmquist
- ♦ **Claire Bavaria**
by Lucille Bavaria-Kozey
- ♦ **Ed Todd**
by Marilyn Todd
- ♦ **Rick Rutledge**
by Mary Ann Rutledge
- ♦ **Ruth Sanders**
by Bruce Sanders
- ♦ **Fr. John Weibel**
by Kathleen Weibel
- ♦ **Nancy Rheaume-Hernandez**
by Frank Collopy
- ♦ **Bernadette Sturm**
by Dorothy Vayda, Sr. Kathleen
Weigand
- ♦ **Jim Hagemier**
by Tim & Cindy Meyers
- ♦ **Suzanne Eck**
by Christina Ryngwalski
- ♦ **George Long**
by Daniel & Carolyn Cook
- ♦ **Lynn Greer**
by Ray & Edie Greer



Washington, Ky., residents Shelly and Glenn Greenwell from the Stewards of Appalachia, pictured with Cheyanne and Jenna, posed for this picture when we picked up items for the David Boutique and food pantry. The Stewards donate to the mission monthly, and we are so grateful they continue to help. Without support from people like this, we would not be able to help people in need.

Thank You!

St. Vincent Mission Wish List

- ♦ We humbly ask all of our volunteers and supporters, the people we serve, our employees and board members to please pray for St. Vincent Mission's growth and stability so that we may continue to help people in need and share God's blessings in their lives.
- ♦ We are in need of a camera to photograph mission events.
- ♦ We are in need of school supplies, including pencils, pens, markers, notebooks, Elmer's glue, and backpacks.
- ♦ We are in need of new socks and underwear for children and adults.
- ♦ We are in need of new shoes for children and men.
- ♦ We are in need of a good, used vehicle. Our 2009 Toyota Corolla was recently totaled in a single-vehicle crash. We are thankful there were no injuries. Our insurance company will provide \$6,600 to replace this vehicle, but that is not enough to find a comparable replacement. Because this is an expense we did not include in our budget, we are asking that those of you who are able to help with donations toward the purchase of a good used car. This vehicle is used for food basket deliveries, home visits, and other mission needs.



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