



# Society of Saint Vincent de Paul

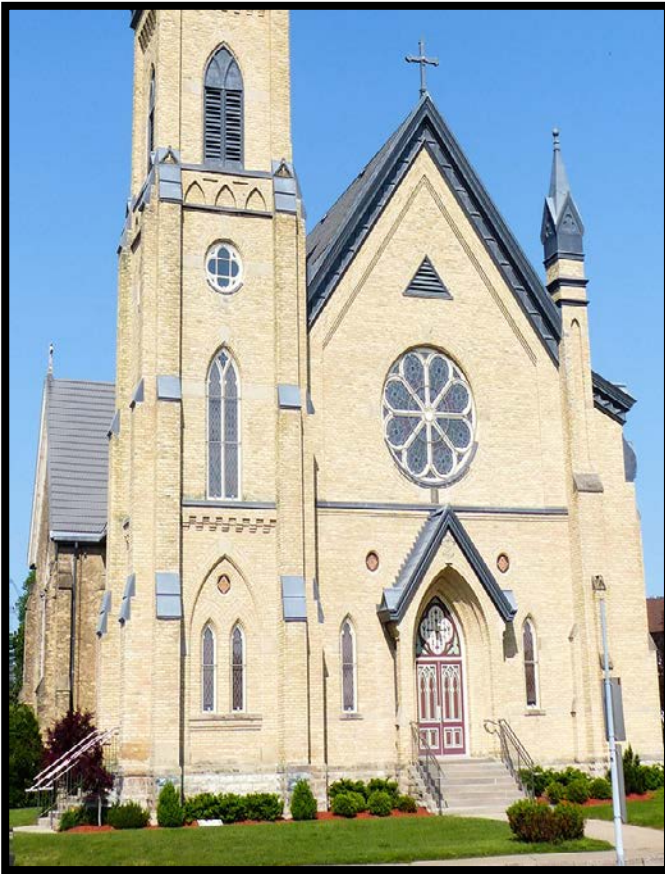
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To ALL Ontario Vincentians - this is your official “personal” invitation to attend our 2025 Spring Assembly and AGM which is being hosted by the Sarnia Lambton Particular Council (SLPC) on Friday April 4<sup>th</sup> and Saturday April 5<sup>th</sup> at Our Lady of Mercy Church and Hall in Sarnia. Our ONRC Events Committee has worked in conjunction with



***Our Lady of Mercy Church, Sarnia***

the SLPC to ensure that you will be entertained in a most friendly atmosphere supplied by the members of the churches that comprise the SLPC. The FUN starts on Friday with a tour of the Sarnia Stores and Food Bank. The Registration and “Meet and Greet” starts at 6:00 p.m. on the 4<sup>th</sup> with this session lasting until 8:00 p.m. We urge you to come in early and ENJOY the atmosphere with your fellow Vincentians. There will be refreshments for your enjoyment. We start with Mass on Saturday morning followed by welcomes and workshops (there are 6 of them – 3 in each session). Lunch will be served followed by some camaraderie sessions. The AGM starts at 2:30 p.m. As your President, I am extending this personal invitation to all voting members (reps from all Central Councils and all Particular Councils) to take the journey to Sarnia to personally partake in the AGM. Please see the **Schedule (download)** and **Registration Form (download)** on this website. On another note, this is a gentle reminder that 2025 has been proclaimed as a Jubilee Year for our Church by our Holy Father, Pope Francis. It is the year that we are asked to pray for “Pilgrims of Hope”. In addition, the prayers for the “Heroes of Hope”, the name attached to all the different factions, are “FOR THOSE WHO CARE FOR THE POOR”(that would

include all Vincentians) during the month of March. The prayer starts with, “*Lord God, by the grace of our baptism, you have given us new life in Christ and called us to serve as Pilgrims of Hope*”. I ask that you use these prayers in asking our God to show us Mercy as we continue to serve His poor. Our theme for this Spring Assembly is, “*Serving in Hope thru Humility and Gentleness*”, and it was chosen to help us all highlight this in our Jubilee Year. WE do hope that as many Vincentians as possible would join us for a FUN and PRAYERFUL time in Sarnia.

Yours in Vincent and Ozanam,  
Guido Kelly,  
President, Ontario Regional Council

**Simplicity – Humility – Gentleness – Selflessness - Zeal**