

# Feast of Saint Vincent de Paul

“Thanks to S Mary Jo Ritter, SC-OLM, for the prayer celebrating Vincent de Paul! “

OPENING HYMN: “We Are Your People” (Tune: For All the Saints)

We are your people, called from many lands,  
Known by your name, upheld by your strong hands,  
Bearing your cross and led by your commands.  
Alleluia! Alleluia!

Rooted in faith and nourished by your word,  
Firm in the hope your promise has secured,  
We bring our love, our lives to you, our Lord.  
Alleluia! Alleluia!

LEADER: God of our past, our present and our future, be with us as we gather in our common call to holiness, in our shared mission of service, in the example of all of the Saints, in the name of Jesus. We seek your wisdom and hope for a future full of promise.

ANTIPHON: Psalm 40

Whatsoever you do for the very least among you, that you are doing for me.

1. Yahweh, you have put a new song in my mouth; a song of praise. Many will look and be amazed; many will put their trust in you.
2. How many wonders you have done, Yahweh, our God! How many plans you have made! I proclaim your deeds again and again; they are too marvelous to count.
1. You, who wanted no sacrifice, opened my ear. You called to me and I answered your voice; I said, “Here I am, I have come”.
2. My God, I will proclaim your justice in the full assembly; I will forever sing of the good works you have done.

ANTIPHON: Whatsoever you do for the very least among you, that you are doing for me.

READING: Isaiah 42:6-7; 43:1, 19

VINCENT’S WORDS

Let us go and work with a new love in the service of the poor, looking even for the most destitute and abandoned among them. Let us recognize that before God they are our Lords and masters, and we their unworthy servants.

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## RESPONSE:

Leader: The Spirit of God is upon me, God has anointed me.  
All: The Spirit of God is upon me, God has anointed me.  
Leader: God sent me to bring Good News to the poor.  
All: God has anointed me.  
Leader: Glory to you, Source of all Being, Eternal Word and Holy Spirit.  
All: The Spirit of God is upon me, God has anointed me.

## PRAYERS OF INTERCESSIONS

### OUR FATHER

#### LET US PRAY TOGETHER:

Gracious Teacher and Comforter, teach us to be attentive to your grace at work in our lives, in the Church, and in the world, so that our charism of charity may bear fruit and bring others to Jesus.

Renew your wonders in our own day that being of one heart and one mind and steadfast in prayer, we may work to make the reign of Jesus ever more visible, the reign of truth and justice, of love, reconciliation and peace.  
Amen.



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