

Society of St. Vincent de Paul

The Society of St. Vincent de Paul, a Catholic lay organization, leads women and men to join together to grow spiritually by offering person-to-person service to those who are needy and suffering. This is the tradition started by its founder, Blessed Frederic Ozanam, and patron, St. Vincent de Paul. Vincentians witness God's love by embracing all works of charity and justice to relieve need and address its cause.

Be A Voice For The Poor

While charity provides temporary alleviation of pain and suffering, it is not enough.

- We walk for the identification and elimination of the causes of poverty.
- We walk for both charity and justice.
- We walk for the preferential protection of people who are poor, particularly for those who cannot speak for themselves.

Saint Vincent de Paul Society At Saint Raphael Church

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walk a mile in my shoes

Saturday
September 25, 2010
9 am - 10 am

Come and celebrate
50 years of service.

St Vincent de Paul Society,
at Saint Raphael Church
Serving the people in need in
the San Rafael community.

The St. Vincent de Paul Society at Saint Raphael Church is celebrating 50 Years of Service to people in need in San Rafael.

Please help us celebrate by joining us as we walk one mile for people who are poor and hungry in San Rafael.

The walk will begin in front of Saint Raphael Church.

There are no fees and no registration.

Walkers will walk West on Fifth Ave to H Street, going one block South to Fourth Street, taking a left to A Street and then back to Saint Raphael Church. The walk is from 9 am to 10 am.



**“Don’t walk behind me;
I may not lead.
Don’t walk in front of me:
I may not follow.
Just walk beside me and be
my friend”**

- Albert Camus

Walk in solidarity with families who have no homes; people who are under-employed or unemployed; families who are hungry; women, men, and children who are suffering. Only as friends can we make a difference and it is as friends that we walk.

**Meet at Saint Raphael Church
September 25, 2010 at 9 AM.**

- **Unemployment** in San Rafael is **9.8%** as of June 2010.
- There is **no permanent shelter** for **homeless** people in Marin.
- Poverty is **not due to laziness** or **misfortune**.
- Poverty is **due to political decisions** and **economic decisions**.
- Poverty is a **matter of justice and injustice**.