



Holy Comforter-Saint Cyprian Society of St. Vincent DePaul

The Society of St. Vincent DePaul is an international organization of lay men and women whose primary mission is to provide one-on-one service to those who are suffering and needy. The Society serves all persons regardless of race, creed, color or status.

The Society responds to cries for help of many kinds. Requests range from rental and utility assistance to emergency food to a friendly visit to a homebound elderly parishioner.

- † The Society conducts its own [FOOD DRIVE](#) every Second Sunday of the month. The food is then distributed in response to those who call the rectory for assistance.

[YOU CAN HELP](#) by donating **non-perishable** food items (canned foods especially tuna, salmon, sardines and other sources of protein: jars of peanut butter, apple sauce, soups, beef stews and other **non-perishables**). Bring your items to Mass (or the rectory) every Second Sunday of each month. The ushers will collect your donations. All food donations are kept in our food pantry and distributed to anyone who needs it upon request. PLEASE do not donate perishables or items such as cereal, rice, pasta (items in boxes).

- † On the fourth Saturday of every month, the Society members dutifully contribute their time and energy to **SOME** (So Others May Eat) by preparing and receiving chicken casseroles that are then served by members and friends of the Society.

[YOU CAN HELP](#) by volunteering your time to go and help serve the meals on that Saturday **or** volunteering to purchase the simple ingredients and prepare the chicken (at your home) for the meal. Check out the *Chicken Stew* recipe at the bottom of this page and bring to the rectory by the designated date.

- † Holy Comforter-St. Cyprian Church is also one of the many host sites in the metropolitan area for the **SHARE** program. The program is coordinated by the Society with the help of members from other organizations and volunteers

from the community, who prepare, pack and distribute food to SHARE participants.

YOU CAN HELP by volunteering to help distribute the SHARE packages on a Saturday morning. You can also participate in the program and take advantage of the great food deals that are offered each month. Visit the SHARE Food Network at www.sharedc.org for information on the program.

† Through the generosity of those who contribute to the parish's **poor box**, the Society is able to assist families requesting help with **rental and utility assistance**.

YOU CAN HELP by donating your funds to the poor box located on the walls of the church near the doors. Or, you can write a check to "HCSC" and indicate the St. Vincent DePaul Society in the note section.

† And at Christmas, the Society prepares and distributes **Christmas baskets** for the needy in the community.

YOU CAN HELP by participating in the Annual Advent "Gifts of the Spirit" food drive campaign held each Advent. We collect and distribute over 30 food baskets to needy families in the community.

There seems to be no end to the many gifts of service that the Society provides to the needy in our community. **YOU CAN HELP** by becoming a member of the Society or contributing to the above programs. Call the rectory office at 202-546-1885 for more information on this organization and its programs.

HOLY COMFORTER – SAINT CYPRIAN

S.O.M.E. (So Others Might Eat)

CHICKEN RECIPE

CHICKEN (LEGS, THIGHS OR BREAST)

TURKEY CAN BE SUBSTITUTED

ONION (SLICED OR CHOPPED)

CELERY (SLICED OR CHOPPED)

BAYLEAF (OPTIONAL)

SALT

PEPPER

ADJUST ONION AND CELERY TO THE AMOUNT OF CHICKEN USED.

PLACE CHICKEN PIECES IN THE POT WITH ENOUGH WATER TO COVER,
ADD REMAINING INGREDIENTS.

BRING TO BOIL, COVER AND COOK OVER LOW HEAT UNTIL TENDER.
REMOVE CHICKEN FROM BONES CUT INTO CHUNKS.

REFRIGERATE OR FREEZE CHICKEN OR STOCK IMMEDIATELY.

You have now prepared Chicken to be served at (So Others Might Eat) on the
4th Saturday of each Month.

For delivery/pick-up or directions, call:

William James at 202.563.0661 or the rectory office at 202-546-1885.