



The Envoy

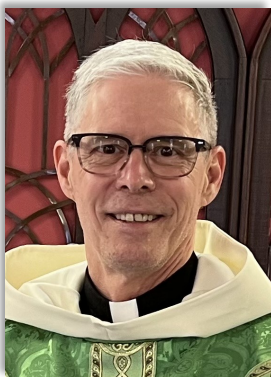
WE GIVE THANKS
TO GOD

*“For each new morning
with it’s light,
For rest and shelter
of the night,
For health and food,
For love and friends,
For everything thy
goodness sends.”*

-Ralph Waldo Emerson

November 2025

From the Priest-in-charge



Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

I am thrilled to let you know that The Rev. Cindy Roehl has been appointed to be the Deacon at St. Vincent's by Bishop Scharf. Deacon Cindy and I have known each other for a long time and I look forward to working with her. Her first Sunday serving will be November 2nd. Please join me in welcoming her in this new role in our parish.

As I write this, we have just completed convention, the setting back of the clocks will happen soon, and Advent is just around the corner. This was probably one of the best conventions I have ever attended. The Bishop's message was full of optimism and hope for the future all while acknowledging the current difficult state of affairs that we find ourselves in both as a diocese and as a national church. The workshops on Friday afternoon were on topics related to the four pathways of Forming Disciples, Developing Leaders, Transforming Communities and Embracing Differences. I encourage you to go to the website conventionswfl.org where you can watch the Bishop's address, the workshop presentations, and other supporting videos.

By the time you read this we have hopefully had a very successful trunk-or-treat. Many thanks to those who committed to open their trunks to make this a wonderful event supporting our local community and neighbors. As we move into Advent, I want to make you aware of a couple of upcoming activities. On Thursdays, December 4th, 11th, and 18th there will be a Rite II said Eucharist in the Chapel beginning at 10:00AM. The service will be over in time for those who want to join the Bible Study at 10:30AM. On December 6th we will hold an Advent Quiet Day beginning at 10:00AM. This will be a time for us to quiet ourselves as we head into what tends to be a busy time of year. More details will be coming out shortly. While we generally no longer treat Advent as a mini-Lent, it should still be a time of peaceful waiting and, thus, a good time to add some extra space for God away from the hustle and bustle of the world.

Peace and Blessings,

Fr. Scott Nonken, Priest-in-Charge



Senior Warden Report



Sr. Warden's Letter for November Envoy 2025 Merry Fall. It's that time of the year when we prepare for Halloween, Thanksgiving, Christmas, New Year and of course the annual Sustaining Campaign to fund our work for next year-2026.

TIME, TALENT and MONEY:

MONEY: Please pick up the envelope containing your pledge card. Envelopes not picked up will be mailed at a cost to the Church of approximately \$1.00 each. As we have previously discussed, a "pledge" is but a good faith "guesstimate" of what you reasonably anticipate to give to the Church for God's work for the up coming year. It is but an estimate. Life happens, both good and bad which results giving more or less money then pledged. Pledging allows the Church leadership to create a budget for the next year.

TIME and TALENT: The various activities and outreaches of the St. Vincent's require parishioners to step forward to assume leadership positions. The opportunity will arise for you to assume such role, or to assists others whom have done so. For the Church to grow and thrive it requires work and commitment. The call to serve God goes beyond attending church services most Sundays. For example, (or as a lawyer would say "by way of example and not limitation") Russel Lynn, our Jr. Warden, needs help maintaining our grounds, and our facilities from time-to-time. Becky Cantrell, who is in charge of the kitchen, needs assistance providing food after Sunday services, Thursday Social Dinners (1st and 3rd Thursdays of the month), and special activities. And also, she needs help in the setup, takedown and clean-up of these events. Lay readers are needed. Various outreach programs require folks to take on the leadership for these activities. Your help and support is needed for these programs to be successful.

The Deanery blessing of the animals was well attended and folks, both four and two legged, had a good time. We appreciate all those who participated and organized this event.

Fr. Scott, Fr. Earle, Shirley Earle, Diane Krantz, Pamela and I attended the Diocese Convention. We enjoyed the Convention, especially the services and workshops. I found Friday Evensong beautiful and meaningful.

Yours in Christ,

Mike McManus, Sr. Warden

Treasurer Report

Attached is a compressed view of the financials presented to Vestry on Oct. 23rd:

Year To Date September 2025			
<i>Description</i>	<i>Actual</i>	<i>Budget</i>	<i>Over / Under</i>
Income			
Regular Giving	130,424	122,221	8,203
Other Operating Income & Gifts	79,522	103,792	(24,269)
Total Revenues	209,946	226,013	(16,066)
Expenses			
Operations Support	11,396	15,094	3,698
Utilities	23,748	22,347	(1,401)
Property Maintenance	47,000	29,547	(17,453)
Insurance	45,982	53,908	7,926
Apportionment	35,449	35,449	0
Clergy / Staff	64,986	67,692	2,706
Total Expenses	228,561	224,038	(4,523)
NET TOTAL	(18,615)	1,975	(20,590)

Discrepancy in Revenue due to Vestry designated funds not being transferred until end of year when we better know how much is needed to balance budget.

Expense variances are explained by budget being spread evenly throughout year, unplanned tree work, new insurance company billing delay along with switching from Ten Pay to monthly, and additional cost for Priest-in-Charge versus Supply Clergy.

An updated outlook indicates we may finish the year using less of the \$62,000 inheritance fund as originally planned. A draft budget has been prepared which shows our total expenses at \$321,308 versus our 2025 budget of \$304,547.

Thanks to all who love and serve our Church and campus grounds.

Any questions/concerns please feel free to email me at berryludwig@gmail.com or call (727) 348-4766.

Faithfully submitted,
Berry Ludwig, Treasurer



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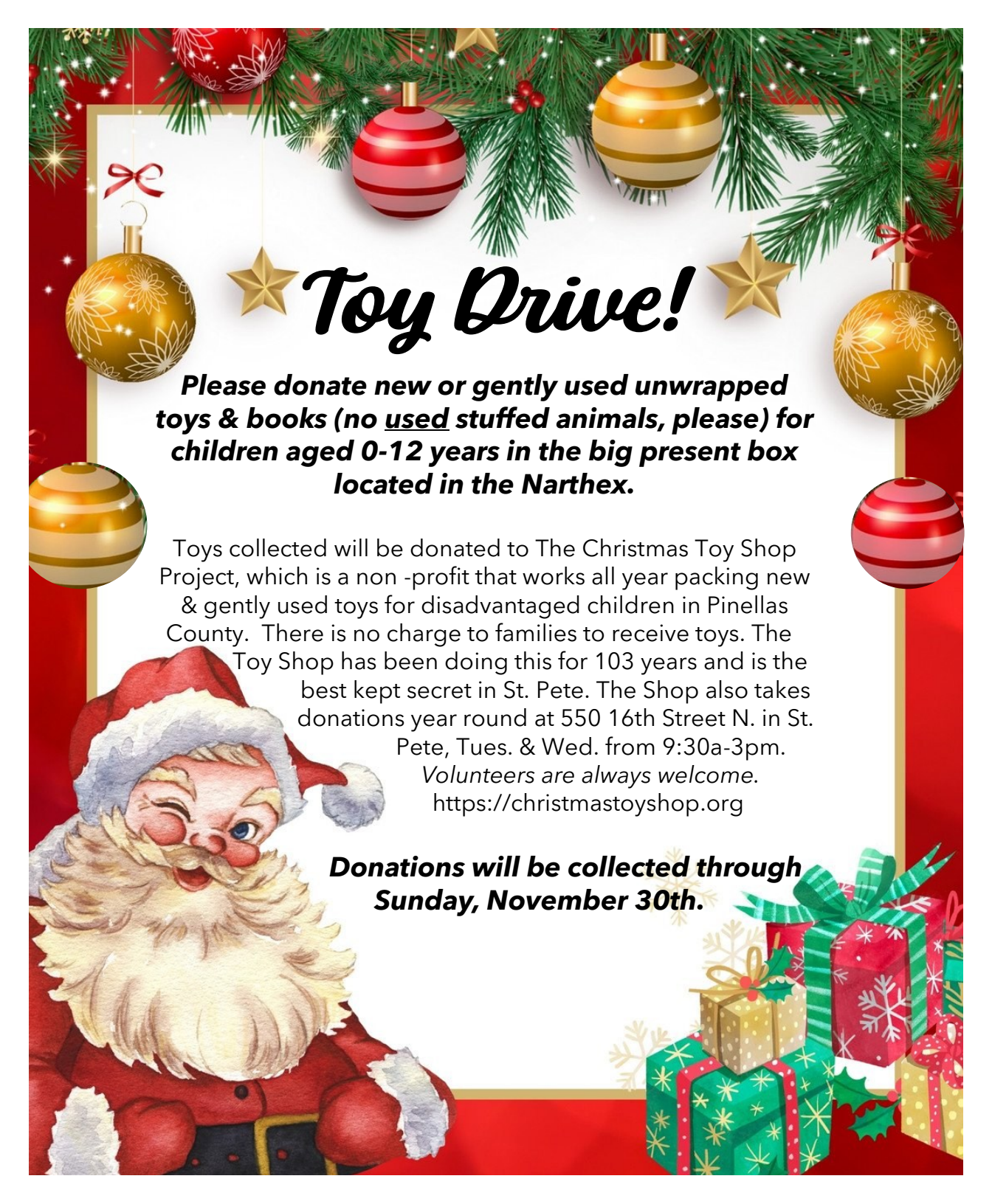


October was another fun month, with lots of busy days and handfuls of Halloween candy eaten. Most of the Thanksgiving items are gone, but we are busy filling the empty spaces with Christmas items. It's never too early to pick up wrapping paper, ribbons & Christmas cards! If you haven't been to see us recently, come on in and see our newly reorganized jewelry area! It's the donations and volunteers that make this ministry happen. I pray that the good work you do will come back to you many times over. We truly are truly blessed.

Faithfully Submitted,

Berry Ludwig,
Thrift Shop Manager





Toy Drive!

Please donate new or gently used unwrapped toys & books (no used stuffed animals, please) for children aged 0-12 years in the big present box located in the Narthex.

Toys collected will be donated to The Christmas Toy Shop Project, which is a non -profit that works all year packing new & gently used toys for disadvantaged children in Pinellas County. There is no charge to families to receive toys. The Toy Shop has been doing this for 103 years and is the best kept secret in St. Pete. The Shop also takes donations year round at 550 16th Street N. in St. Pete, Tues. & Wed. from 9:30a-3pm. *Volunteers are always welcome.*
<https://christmastoyshop.org>

Donations will be collected through Sunday, November 30th.





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A BIG **Thank you** to all who came out to participate in our Trunk-or-Treat event – it was *Spooktacular!!!*



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**Thursday Mornings
10:30am
Parish Hall**

MEN'S GROUP BREAKFAST

**Saturday, November 1st,
8am-9:30am ~ Parish Hall**



All Men of the Parish are invited to attend as well as cook. Sign-up in the Narthex.

**Nov. 6th &
20th
6pm
Parish Hall**

ST. VINCENT'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH EVENING SOCIAL

Food ~ Family ~ Fellowship



Sign-up in the Narthex or Online: www.stvinepiscopal.org.

~ In gathering Sunday is November 23rd ~



**Tell Out
My Soul**

NAME _____

ADDRESS _____

PHONE _____ EMAIL _____

PLEASE CONTACT ME ABOUT:

- ☐ setting up payments from my checking account/credit card.
- ☐ including the church in my estate plans.
- ☐ making my gift through stocks or securities.



My promise for 2025-26: Acknowledging that we Tell out our Soul, I/we promise \$ _____ for ministry.
I/we plan to fulfill this pledge ☐ weekly ☐ monthly ☐ quarterly ☐ annually

Prayers for Healing

Shut-ins:

Rosanna Balzano, Sybil Mulhauser, Shirley Johnson

Members in Need of Healing:

Shirley Bonney, Lisa Youla, Eileen Prins, Edith Racine, Susan Austin, Pat Goodin,
Eleanor Turner, Nancy Teague Horner, Paul Caulfield

Healing for Friends & Family:

Lisa Goodin, Melissa Cercone, Tiffany Leigh, Michael Norris, Pam H.,
Debbie Reeves, Billy Reeves, Jonathan Roman, Martin, John Kiley, Kelly Meador,
Jan Meinhart, Ken Wides (repose), Eugene Lawrence, Joanew Cramer,
Yareli's Roman, Goeli Gratero, Ken, Eddie, Lori Knight, Izzy Evans, Craig, Robin,
Suzanne Emery, Curtis Walker, Len DeLucca

O God, the strength of the weak and the comfort of sufferers: Mercifully accept our prayers, and grant to your servants the help of your power, that their sickness may be turned into health, and our sorrow into joy; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

For prayer list submissions, contact the office: 727-321-5086 / officestvin@gmail.com
Prayer list refreshes every quarter: March 1st, June 1st, September 1st, December 1st.

Saint of the Month



Martin of Tours, one of the patron saints of France, was born about 330 at Sabaria, the modern Szombathely in Hungary. His early years were spent in Pavia in Italy. After a term of service in the Roman army, he traveled around Europe and finally settled in Poitiers, whose bishop, Hilary, he had come to admire.

According to an old legend, while Martin was still a catechumen, he was approached by a poor man, who asked for alms in the name of Christ. Martin, drawing his sword, cut off part of his military cloak and gave it to the beggar. On the following night, Jesus appeared to Martin, clothed in half a

cloak, and said to the saints and angels surrounding him, "Martin, a simple catechumen, covered me with this garment."

Martin was baptized, but believed that his commitment as a Christian required him to leave the army, saying famously: "I am a soldier of Christ. I cannot fight." Martin pursued the vocation of a hermit for some years until, to his dismay, he was elected as Bishop of Tours in 372. He agreed to serve only if he were allowed to continue his strict, ascetic way of life. His monastery of Marmoutier, near Tours, had a great influence on the development of Celtic monasticism in Britain, where Ninian, among others, promoted Martin's ascetic and missionary ideals.

Martin was unpopular with many of his episcopal colleagues, both because of his manner of life and because of his strong opposition to their violent repression of heresy. Martin believed that heretics should be persuaded by sound preaching and by the testimony of holy lives rather than by force. He was a diligent missionary to the pagans in the countryside near his hermitage and was always a staunch defender of the poor and the marginalized.

Martin died on November 8, 397, but he has long been commemorated on November 11, the date of his burial. His shrine at Tours became a popular site for pilgrimages and a secure sanctuary for those seeking protection and justice.



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HAPPY BIRTHDAY

2 Mark Sondergeld
3 Sharlene Croud
11 Vicky Bessinger
13 Jean Schramek
14 Michael McManus
16 Ro Soucy, Jr.
17 Jennifer Arness
20 Robin Watson
25 Lou Ann Watson
27 Russ Jones

Classic Pumpkin Pie

1/2 C. Granulated Sugar	1 unbaked deep dish Pie Shell
1/4 C. packed Brown Sugar	2 Eggs, slightly beaten
1/2 teaspoon Salt	15oz. can solid pack Pumpkin Puree
1 teaspoon ground Cinnamon	1 1/3 C. Half & Half cream
1/2 teaspoon ground Ginger	
1/4 teaspoon ground Cloves	

Combine sugar, salt, and spices in a small bowl. Put pumpkin in a large bowl and stir in sugar, spices, and eggs. Gradually whisk in half & half. Pour into pie shell. Bake in preheated oven at 425° F for 15 minutes. Reduce temperature to 350°F and bake for 45-55 minutes or until knife inserted near center comes out clean. Cool on wire rack for 3 hours. Serve immediately or chill. Do not freeze.



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St. Vincent's Episcopal Church

November 2025

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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
						1 8am Men's Breakfast
2 Holy Eucharist: 10am Rite II 12pm Spanish Daylight Savings Time Ends	3	4	5	6 10:30am Bible Study 6pm Evening Social	7 Office Closed	8
9 Holy Eucharist: 10am Rite II 12pm Spanish	10	11 	12	13 10:30am Bible Study 6:30pm Girl Scouts	14 Office Closed	15
16 Holy Eucharist: 10am Rite II 12pm Spanish	17	18	19	20 10:30am Bible Study 6pm Evening Social 6:30pm Vestry Mtg.	21 Office Closed	22
23 Holy Eucharist: 10am Rite II 12pm Spanish	24	25	26 10:30am Bible Study	27 Thanksgiving Day 10am Worship Service  Office Closed	28 Office Closed	29
30 Holy Eucharist: 10am Rite II 12pm Spanish Last Day for Toy Drive						



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