St Vincent de Paul Society

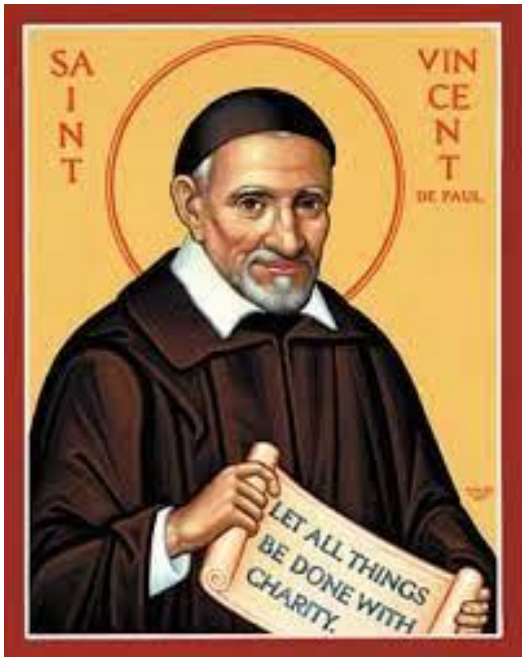
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St George's SVP

Annual Report to Parish

September 2026



St George's SVP – Report at September 2026

No. of active members = 11

Beneficiaries
We currently have 367 beneficiaries (this includes 7 families at St George's Primary School).

Visits
During the twelve months to 30/9/26 we have done 464 visits to Nursing and Residential Homes and 131 Own Home visits.

Time on visits
The time spent on visiting in the twelve months is 373 hours. In addition, other SVP Admin. duties amounted to 176 hours and a further 132 hours on other SVP events and activities.

<u>This is a summary of our work throughout the last twelve months</u>

Children at Christmas 2025
We helped 7 families (10 children) at St George's Primary School. Cost £500.

Other gifts throughout the year
We also remember our beneficiaries at Christmas, Easter and Birthdays throughout the year with greeting cards and small gifts. Cost £429.

Food Vouchers for Families (including Refugees)
We have provided supermarket food vouchers for families during the year. Cost £597.

Refugees
During the year we helped a number of refugee family to set up home in York. Some of this work was in conjunction with English Martyrs and St Wilfrid's SVP conferences Cost £2,401.

Mass of Anointing and Social
Last May we held a Mass of Anointing for the sick of the parish at St George's Church followed by a social event at The Victoria Inn. A wonderful event enjoyed by all. Cost £471.

Outing to Scarborough
In September we arranged a coach trip to Scarborough with a fish and chip lunch on the way at Harry Ramsdens at Staxton which was very enjoyable. Then on to Scarborough where some decided to visit the South Bay whilst others opted for the North Bay including Peasholme Park. Yet again, we were blessed with fine, dry weather and 27 parishioners including 4 SVP members enjoyed a wonderful day.
Cost £945 (but as it was a joint event the Parish contributed £575).

Working with Others
We continue to work in collaboration with other Charities in York as follows:
Restore York Ltd – We helped with their Christmas Event 2025 for their formerly homeless clients. Cost £250.

Carecent – Christmas and Easter gifts and bank holiday special breakfast for homeless people and those in need.
Cost £273
Also assistance with the cost of Laundry at the Centre. Cost £100.
We have also delivered a number of food items to Carecent and during the Winter months warm clothing items to give to those in need. (Items kindly donated and delivered to Carecent by St George's parishioners).

Besom – Provision if Moses baskets and blankets for New Mothers and Babies in need. Cost £130.

York Mind – Assistance with the cost of mental coaching sessions for a client on a very low income. Cost £120.

Our work is not just in this country though:

Regular Twinnage
We continue to support our two twinned conferences in Kerala, India. Cost £300.
We send regular amounts via our Twinnage Head Office and always remember to pray for them at our conference meetings.

South Sudan Appeal
Last November we once again sent a donation via SVP Twinnage to South Sudan to help to alleviate the extreme poverty and famine in that country. Cost £200.

<u>So, how do we finance all of this?</u>

A big THANK YOU to all our very kind benefactors. We have had very generous donations from parishioners during the twelve months and also our own members' collections. Gift Aid on many of these donations has enabled us to reclaim tax, which is a very good source of additional income.

We are also funded from the church "poor box" and received help from the parish at Christmas and for the annual outing.

We also applied for and received a grant from York SVP District Council to help us assist refugee families. Also, a grant was received from NCCT (Norman Collinson Charitable Trust) in June, again to help refugee families.

Each year we take part in the SVP National Raffle and although these funds are sent initially to head office, we do receive some of it back again.

Please pray for the work of the SVP, both nationally and here in our own Parish of St George's.