



St Vincent
de Paul Society

England and Wales

Turning Concern into Action

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STORRINGTON CONFERENCE

ANNUAL REPORT 2024-25



1. PRESIDENT'S REPORT

The St Vincent de Paul Society (England & Wales) is part of an international Christian voluntary network dedicated to tackling poverty in all its forms by providing practical assistance to people in need. The local team in Storrington has been active for many years.

In 2024-25 we supported 28 'beneficiaries' around the parish through a total of 490 contacts. Together with administration, meetings, and projects this came to 1041 volunteer hours for the year. Overall, we have seen a considerable increase compared to 2023-24 for the number of people supported, number of contacts made to help and total volunteer hours.

In the last year we have become 12 members – people who volunteer to help others and who are vetted, trained, DBS checked for visiting and supported by experienced volunteers in district and central councils as well as at the National office. We recruited two new members in the year and four of our members are currently of non-visiting auxiliary status and operate in support roles. We also added Deacon Roger as our spiritual adviser.

We now have 7 members who are Eucharistic Ministers delivering communion 161 times between them to parishioners. The conference organised a member commissioning service led by Fr. Stephen, inviting Arundel SVP to take part in Storrington in September.

A total of 56 lifts were given to mass, hospitals, nursing homes and to parish lunches and there were 45 occasions of shopping for housebound beneficiaries as well as the provision of rescue funds, clothing and repairs plus equipment including furniture and walking frames and help with local house clearances to donate to local and county wide support schemes.

We have established a strong connection with Storrington Primary School and provided practical help to selected families including help with uniform purchase and Christmas gifts.

The team also regularly helped with funeral arrangements for deceased parishioners.

We provided financial support to a challenged parishioner's sons to help with sports costs at local school and college. We also helped with the provision of a second-hand bike for the same family's son to get around locally. We sponsored a buffalo project in India to help 187 villagers to subsist and switched our twin parish from India to Grenada where we have now a helping relationship with Our Lady Help of Christians church. (Click the link below to view)

[Pentecost in OLHOC Beaulieu, St Georges Region, Grenada](#)

Jim Monaghan raised over £1300 via his Camino Walk and this year we plan to run several more fundraising events, recruit more members, and help more people in more ways with the financial backing of our generous parish and our donating members.

John Bell (Acting President)



2. TREASURERS REPORT

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| OUR LADY OF ENGLAND STORRINGTON | | | | | | | |
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| INCOME AND EXPENDITURE FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2025 | | | | | | | |
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| DONATIONS | | | | | | | 4057.56 |
| RAFFLE COMMISSION | | | | | | | 26.00 |
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| EXPENDITURE | | | | | | | |
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| ASSISTANCE TO THOSE IN NEED | | | | | | | 1033.25 |
| ADMINISTRATION EXPENSES | | | | | | | 30.00 |
| CONTRIBUTION TO HEAD OFFICE COSTS | | | | | | | 604.01 |
| TWINNAGE | | | | | | | 1090.00 |
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| NET INCOME FOR THE YEAR | | | | | | | 1326.30 |

Adrian Radford (Treasurer)