-St. Vincent de Paul Outreach Commission

2012 – 2013 Annual Plan

A. Commission Vision Statement

We envision a community that reflects the love of Jesus Christ by ministering to all those in need. We strive to be guided by the scripturally based principles of Catholic social teaching and to reach out to our community through education, service and pastoral care.

B. Commission Objectives and Action Plans

Objective 1:

Increase Outreach Commission awareness of Pastoral Care and Social Justice Ministries as offered in the parish.

Action Plan: Maintain an ongoing, collaborative relationship with the Outreach Coordinators, Outreach Department Staff as well as the other Commissions and Pastoral Council.

Action Plan: Develop a process for inter-commission program transfer as well as initiation and termination of programs.

Action Plan: Commission members are encouraged to attend Outreach events offered by the parish.

Indicators of Achievement:

At least one member of the Outreach Commission will attend each of the Outreach Coordinator's meetings on the second Wednesday of each month and report back at the next Outreach Commission meeting.

Commission members will attend at least two Outreach events offered by the parish annually.

Objective 2:

Initiating ways and means of engaging parishioners in a participatory way in Social Outreach Ministries.

Action Plan: Create and administer a survey to determine the Outreach needs of the parish.

Action Plan: Hold an annual Ministry Day event, over one weekend each year to create parish awareness and recruit volunteers to the various ministries in collaboration with other Commissions.

Action Plan: Insuring timely updates and/or access to the Outreach on the SVDP website.

Indicators of Achievement:

Receiving and tabulating survey results and initiating next steps by December 2012.

Holding the event and promoting filling the needs of the various ministries. Record the number of attendees at each event.

Enhancement of usability and functionality of the Outreach web pages.

Objective 3:

Develop a network with the Archdiocese and communities beyond our parish.

Action Plan: To attend Outreach events offered beyond our parish boundaries.

Action Plan: To create opportunities for local and international mission trips to foster solidarity.

Action Plan: To establish a global solidarity outreach with an international community.

Indicators of Achievement:

Sharing of ALL experiences on the website, in the bulletin and in the parish newsletter.

Parish engages in a mission trip at least once a year. Share experiences on the website, in the bulletin and in the parish newsletter.

Partner with a BIZAA (a local faith based non-profit organization) to carry out our international outreach activities.