



St Vincent
de Paul Society

England and Wales

Turning Concern into Action

ST VINCENT DE PAUL (SVP)

SVP is an international organisation in which volunteers offer their time and friendship to people and various causes.

In Our Lady's parish, our SVP group visits and befriends parishioners who might like some company, some of whom may be sick. We usually visit people in their homes on Tuesday evenings, or sometimes during the day on Tuesdays.

Each year, we make roughly a thousand visits, in addition to hosting SVP events in the parish.

During the year, through an annual parish collection to help to support our voluntary activities, we aim to:

- Arrange a mass and blessing for the sick of our parish.
- Host a summer and a winter party for as many of those whom we visit who are able to attend.
- Arrange a visit to Aylesford Priory for our SVP parishioners who might like to attend and are able to travel.
- Donate funds to our sister SVP conference in Uttar Pradesh, India.
- Donate funds to disaster relief, if we are able and when needed.
- Sponsor one or two youngsters to attend the John Bosco Summer Camp.

NB: we have all been DBS checked and, when we visit, we do so only when asked and usually in pairs.

If you would like to be visited or you know of anybody in our parish who would, please contact Noel Vas at noelmsvas@hotmail.com or via Our Lady's parish office.