

***SAINT JOHN VIANNEY CATHOLIC CHURCH***  
***MEN'S CLUB***

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**2012 SJV MEN'S CLUB ANNUAL REPORT**  
**TO the Parish Council**

**1. What our mission is and how what we do impacts St John Vianney?**

We are a social, devotional and service organization. As such, our function is to support and provide assistance to the Pastor, staff, and parish ministries. We also serve as a social organization for male parishioners of St John Vianney Catholic Church, Prince Frederick, Maryland. Through various scheduled and spontaneous events and functions, we provide a positive impact to our community. Our member's contribute time, expertise, supervision and other resources which benefit the parish by reducing the financial burden of the church. This includes assisting with church ministries, grounds renovation, maintenance projects, new construction projects critical to the parish and providing staff for social activities.

**2. What are the highlights of the past year and what activities do you have planned for the coming year?**

Our members were directly and indirectly involved in the Shrove Tuesday Dinner, Men's retreat, Sweetheart Social, University of Maryland Terps Dinner, Preakness, Parish Picnic, Catholic Youth Work Camp, and the monthly First Sunday Breakfast. We also cleaned both kitchens in the Vianney Room and the Family Life Center, helped cook for Safe Nights, helped re paint portions of the Casa de Juan Diego for use by the St. John Vianney Interfaith Food Pantry. We also financially supported the youth group, the retreat house in Washington, DC, the SJV Interfaith Food Pantry. We provide bereavement support. We also sponsored an evening cruise,

golf trips, and held our annual crab dinner in October, as well as our seafood dinner in December. Some of our members helped move elderly parishioners from their home to other quarters, and helped disabled parishioners by cleaning, painting and refurbishing homes. For 2012 we will continue to sponsor the Shrove Tuesday Dinner, an annual Men's Retreat, golf and boat cruise outings, and crab seafood dinners. We also plan to assist with the Parish Picnic and other functions that require our expertise and/or staffing.

### **3. Who are your Board Officers and Key Members?**

#### **Our 2012 Officers**

President - Vic Wisniewski

Vice President - Eugene Gonzalez

Treasurer - Chuck Knapper

Secretary,- Gordon Norwood



We consider all our active members "key members". Without their participation as leaders and workers, we could not function as a viable club. The committee list below identifies the invaluable contributions of many of our members. Bonding together, these Christian men form the backbone of our Men's club.



**Key Members**

<b>Committee</b>	<b>Coordinator(s)</b>		<b>Committee</b>	<b>Coordinator(s)</b>
Refreshments	Jimmy Johnson		Golf Outings	Chuck Knapper Steve Pedone
Awards	Jack Yatsko		Retreat	Chris Wallmark
Bylaws	Pete Abresch		Golf Outings	Chuck Knapper Steve Pedone
Membership	Joe Garcia		Parish Council Liaison	Chuck Knapper
Webmaster	Jack McFadden		Eastern Shore Fishing Trip	Pete Abresch
Food Service	Larry Donnelly		Solomon's Boat Cruise	Jack Yatsko Joe Garcia
Shrove Tuesday	Larry Donnelly		Spiritual Advisors	Father Peter Daly Father Pete Alliata

Mother's Day	Larry Donnelly		Veteran's Day	Steve Pedone
Parish Picnic	Al Perpuse, Parish Council President		Seafood Dinner	Steve Pedone
Crab Feast	Dick Hayes, Gordon Norwood, George Sullivan, Steve Pedone		Special Projects	Jack McFadden

**4. How many parishioners are involved in your group?**

All men of the parish are considered members. We define active members as those who lead or assist in at least one function during the year and attend our monthly meetings. This is usually forty to fifty men. During the year, we ordinarily meet at 7:30 PM on the first Monday of each month. Our meeting is located in the Sullivan Room of the Family Life Center.

**5. What are the strengths of your group?**

As a social, devotional and service organization our biggest strength is the potential and actual expertise our members possess. We stand ready to help the Parish and its programs in any way we can. Over the years, our members have participated in and contributed to almost every parish function that required labor and specific expertise held by our members. Historically, this has ranged from construction of the new church, Family Life Center, basement renovation, hurricane assistance, painting, moving, grounds keeping, the food pantry and a number of other projects. Our members also work with other parish programs such as Safe Nights, First Sunday Breakfast, The Catholic Youth Work Camp and other special events. We also sponsor the Shrove Tuesday dinner, a St Valentine's Day Social, the Mothers Day Breakfast, cook for the Church Picnic. We also prepare the annual Men's Crab Dinner in October and the Seafood Dinner in December.

**6. Are there any specific goals or needs for your group that can be presented to the Pastoral Council?**

We would respectfully ask that same question of the Council. Let us know how else we can serve.