



Hearts Ablaze
#SVdPHeartsAblaze

“It is our vocation to set people’s hearts ablaze, to do what the Son of God did, who came to light a fire on earth in order to set it ablaze with His love.”

- St. Vincent de Paul

As part of our Centennial Celebration, we invite our Conferences to join in continued renewal, keeping our collective hearts ablaze with the **Centennial Hearts Ablaze Torch**. This physical symbol of our spiritual zeal for the Society’s mission of love and charity will be blessed and set aflame at our Centennial Kick-Off Mass at St. Benedict’s on Sunday, January 26th, at 5:00 p.m. From there, the torch will pass from Precinct to Precinct, and whenever possible, Conference by Conference – each Conference will receive its own Centennial Candle, to be lit by the torch (these candles will be blessed by Fr. Brad Hagelin, Vicar for Charities) and distributed at the January 25th King County Council meeting.

On September 27th, the torch will arrive at our concluding Mass at St. James Cathedral, with Archbishop Etienne presiding. Following the Centennial Celebrations, the *Hearts Ablaze Torch* will remain at our main office in Georgetown as a symbolic reminder of the mission of the Society of St. Vincent de Paul alive in the Archdiocese of Seattle. May this Centennial Year reignite the fire in every heart with the love of Christ for our neighbors.

May we all be transformed by His love!

Precinct hand-offs

1. **NW Seattle:** (*Start*) January 26th - March 8th
2. **NE Seattle:** March 8th - April 12th
3. **NE King:** April 12th - May 24th
4. **East King:** May 24th - July 5th
5. **South King:** July 5th - August 16th
6. **South Seattle:** August 16th - September 27th
7. **Central Seattle:** September 27th (*End*)

Date	From	To
Sunday, January 26th	NW Seattle Precinct - St. Benedict	
Sunday, March 8th	NW Seattle Precinct	NE Seattle Precinct
Sunday, April 12th	NE Seattle Precinct	NE King Precinct
Sunday, May 24th	NE King Precinct	East King Precinct
Sunday, July 5th	East King Precinct	South King Precinct
Sunday, August 16th	South King Precinct	South Seattle Precinct
Sunday, September 27th	South Seattle Precinct	Central Seattle Precinct - St. James Cathedral