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Dear Brothers:

On Friday evening, April 26, 2019, 5:30 PM, the Society of St. Vincent de Paul, Sacramento Diocesan Council, will hold its annual “Benefit for the Poor” charity dinner. It will be held at the Double Tree Hotel at Arden, Sacramento. This year’s keynote speaker is Fr. Leo Patalinghug, who is a priest member of the community of consecrated life *Voluntas Dei*. He currently resides in Baltimore, Maryland.

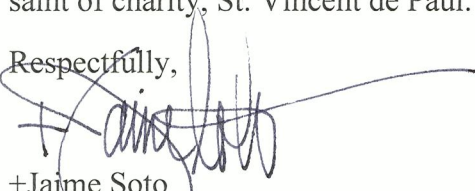
Along with being an author, and international conference speaker, Fr. Leo hosts a TV show on EWTN called, “*Savoring Our Faith*.” He is also the founder of *Plating Grace*, an apostolate to strengthen families and communities around the dinner table.

This year marks the 13th Annual Benefit for the Poor Dinner whose theme, *Faces of Love*, exemplifies how Vincentians carry out the mission of the Society with person to person encounters. Recognizing the admirable contribution of the Society in our Diocese, I invite all of you to promote the annual dinner in your parishes. Also, I hope you will join me in attending this uplifting event.

The Sacramento Diocesan Council operates throughout the Diocese, currently with 55 conferences associated with our local parishes. In 2018 alone, the members of the Society helped over 240,000 of our neighbors in need throughout the Diocese. This annual charity dinner is a key source of revenue for the Society’s good works.

Together, let us show our support for the men and women who model themselves after the patron saint of charity, St. Vincent de Paul. Be assured of my fraternal regard and prayers.

Respectfully,



+Jaime Soto
Bishop of Sacramento