

## VINMONT'S SERVE AS HONORARY CHAIRS OF "FRIENDS"



St. Vincent de Paul Regional Seminary has announced its annual "Friends of the Seminary" Vespers Reception and Dinner will be held Friday, February 20, 2009 at St. Vincent's Chapel on the seminary campus, 10701 South Military Trail in Boynton Beach. The evening begins with Vespers at 7:00 p.m. followed by the reception, silent auction and dinner.

Friends of the Seminary first began in 1984 by then Rector Felipe Estevez and was entitled Opportunity Dinner since it provided the opportunity for "friends of the seminary" to support our mission to prepare men for the priesthood by giving, and seminarians to give back by volunteering at the event.

Honorary co-chairs are Eleanore "Danger" Vinmont and the late Sir Jacques Vinmont, Jr., of St. Lucy Parish in Highland Beach, and Carmel B. Quinn, of St. Edward Parish in West Palm Beach, is chair for the seminary's signature fund-raising event. Sustaining Sponsor for this year's event is Mrs. Catherine R. Murphy.

The seminary will present its annual St. Vincent de Paul Awards at Vespers. Traditionally this honor is presented to both religious and laymen. The Most Reverend John Clement Favalora of Miami, the Auxiliary Bishops, Bishops of the seven Diocese in the state, the seminary's Board of Trustees and community will join with friends and benefactors for this annual gathering.

Friends will also host a Silent Auction for the first time this year. Contributions for the auction are now being accepted. The seminary's chef, Philippe Pedemey, has created a special surf and turf menu for the evening and will oversee its preparation. The event's corporate sponsor again this year is SunTrust. Tickets are \$175 per person. Seating is limited. For reservations, individual and corporate sponsorships and additional information, call 561-732-4424 or go to "Donate Now" on the home page

Owned by the seven dioceses of the Florida Province, St. Vincent has educated nearly 500 priests since its founding in 1963.