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2 men who grew up in the Parish, brothers Eamonn and Andrew Breen, set off on a spectacular 3,000 mile journey earlier today of rowing across the Atlantic Ocean, beginning from the Canary Islands and arriving in about 40 days time in Antigua in the Caribbean.

They are raising funds for 2 charities: Make A Wish and First Light.

Keep them in your prayers.

I have been asked to make the Appeal on behalf of the Parish Conference of the Society of St Vincent de Paul.

The Society of St Vincent de Paul was founded by Blessed Frederick Ozanam along with a group of young students in Paris in 1830's. Since then almost all Catholic parishes in the world have an active Conference.

Frederick Ozanam said to the first members of the Society which included the father of St Therese of Lisieux Louis Martin: Yours must be a work of love and kindness and you must give of your time, your talent and yourselves –

But without the generosity of you the Parishioners, who contribute to our monthly church gate collections and today to the Annual Christmas Appeal, we the Parish Conference of the Society could not help any Parishioner in need over the Christmas period and in the coming year.

The cost-of-living increases have impacted single people and families. The Vincent de Paul are their life-line when the budget does not stretch to purchase food for the week.

The East Region of the Society of St Vincent de Paul covering East Wicklow, has contributed this year €38,000 in bursaries to students to allow them attend Third Level Colleges, as the Society believes that the way out of poverty is through education.

Thank you for your generosity to our Parish Conference of the Society of St Vincent de Paul. All money received is spent locally.