

## OUTREACH/AND PASTORAL CARE

### **HOLIDAY ASSISTANCE/GIVING TREE**

Holy Innocents provides Thanksgiving meals for our Food Pantry families (supported by the generous financial contributions of parishioners). We put up a Giving Tree in November with gift suggestions for our Pantry families. Volunteers are needed to organize and distribute the gift cards and grocery certificates.

### **PANTRY SET UP**

On Tuesday, volunteers gather in the afternoon to sort food and non-food items to set up for the Wednesday Pantry. Some of the tasks are dividing things like coffee, sugar, soap, preparing the paper bags, stocking the shelves, etc. Volunteers are scheduled once a month; and they are joined by others as they are available.

### **PANTRY DISTRIBUTION**

On Wednesdays, our pantry is open two hours in the morning & two hours in the afternoon. Volunteers check in clients & assist them in getting the food & packing up the groceries. Volunteers are scheduled about once every 4-6 weeks. Morning volunteers help restock items for the afternoon session & afternoon volunteers help clean up and “put away” the pantry.

### **ST. VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY**

Members of our St. Vincent de Paul Conference meet with & pray for those in need in our community. They provide financial assistance and encouragement. Contact Patty Sharp 425-788-4704 for more information.

### **SCHOOL SUPPLY DRIVE**

Late summer we ask for donations of school supplies for our Pantry families. Then we have volunteers who help hand out the items just before school starts so the children are prepared for the first day of school.

### **LAZARUS SANDWICH MAKING**

Our community makes and delivers sandwiches to the Lazarus Day Center in Seattle each month. Volunteers shop for ingredients, make the sandwiches and drive the sandwiches into Seattle. Contact Jan Buchthal 425-788-1234 to find out about participating.

### **PRAYER CHAIN**

If you have a particular need of prayer or would like to have someone you know put on the parish prayer list, please call the office so that we can notify our prayer chain of your need. If you would like be included in the prayer chain as one of our prayer people please also let us know. Contact the office at 788-1400

### **SHAWL MINISTRY**

Parishioners who knit or crochet make shawls to be given to those in our community who are seriously ill. Colors and patterns are up to the volunteers, but we ask that they are made with prayer as they will be given as a sign of our communities prayerful support.

### **COMMUNION TO SICK AND HOMEBOUND**

This is a special ministry of pastoral care to those who are sick or homebound. Eucharistic Ministers bring the Blessed Sacrament and the prayer of the church to those who cannot be with us at Sunday Mass. Those who offer this ministry serve on an “as needed” basis.

### **CARL'S CARE MINISTRY**

Carl's Care Ministries was created to provide outreach services to members of our local church community to ease the temporary emergent needs they may experience. Volunteers, provide the following services: meal provision, light housekeeping & yard work, minor home repairs, transportation, companionship and other services as needed & appropriate. Contact Irene Olson at [iolson1@hotmail.com](mailto:iolson1@hotmail.com) for more information.

### **STEPHEN MINISTERS:**

Stephen's Ministers are trained to journey with people who have experienced a loss of some kind or are experiencing a transition in life and are looking for support. Call the office to learn about how to be trained as a Stephen's