

St. Francis Xavier Parish

Service Opportunities

SERVE

BEDS ([Click here](#) to volunteer or [Click here](#) to donate via Amazon)

Make and deliver meals for people who are living in motels and BEDS supported residences. About 1000 meals per week are needed.

EXODUS WORLD SERVICE ([Click here](#))

Volunteers virtually mentor for 1 hour per week for 3 months to help refugee youth (ages 6-15 years) with reading, writing and conversation skills. Volunteers also needed to deliver food and household items to families on the Southwest Side of Chicago Who have recently resettled from Syria. Contact Mary Freeman at mfreeman@sfxlg.org for deliveries.

FEED MY STARVING CHILDREN ([Click here](#) to volunteer)

Volunteers (8+ years) hand pack meals for kids in need around the world.

GREATER CHICAGO FOOD DEPOSITORY ([Click here](#) to volunteer)

Warehouse volunteers (age 11-60 years). Please provide SFX Agency #A00419 when you volunteer so we receive \$5/person/hour towards future purchases.

HOME2HOME ([Click here](#) to volunteer)

Warehouse volunteers needed on Tuesdays and Thursdays 11am-1pm to paint, organize sort and clean for families transitioning into a new home.

INTERFAITH COMMUNITY PARTNERS

Rides for seniors and, grocery shopping, and library services and creating and delivering floral arrangements. Contact Janet Garreau at jgarreauicp@gmail.com to volunteer.

MEALS ON WHEELS (Community Nutrition Network and Senior Services Association)

Provide meals and resources to older adults. Must be 18+ years (younger children can help in the kitchen or volunteer with a parent), complete an on-line application and background check. Contact Linda Reiter at 312-207-5290 or LReiter@cnssa.org

SFX MASS VOLUNTEERS

Volunteers (age 14+ years) needed to greet and seat people and stay for 10 minutes after the service to prepare church for the next service. Contact Maureen Pipal at mpipal@sfxlg.org for information. Basic training provided.

DONATE

FOOD PANTRY ([Click here](#) for information)

HELPING HAND CENTER ([Click here](#) for wish list)

Spread Christmas cheer to adults and kids with special needs

SECRET SANTA

Adopt a child for the holidays! The Secret Santa program serves 800+ kids who are enrolled through PILLARS. Contact Alison Kelly akelly312@ameritech.net for a child's wish list and drop off location.

All gifts must be returned by Nov 30.

SFX GIVING TREE ([Click here](#) to donate)

Spread Christmas cheer to our sharing parish, St. Agatha's on the Westside of Chicago as well as outreach organizations in our community. Rather than gift tags with specific item requests we will be collecting monetary donations to purchase gift cards through the Day School gift card program through December 9th. Checks can be mailed or dropped at off the rectory.

ST VINCENT DE PAUL ([Click here](#) to donate)

Clothes, shoes and monetary donations.

VERSITI BLOOD DRIVE *To find additional Blood Drives* ([Click here](#))

CORRESPOND & LEARN

COMPANIONS JOURNYING TOGETHER ([Click here](#) for instructions)

Notes for women, men and children who are in prison.

Notes can be dropped off on Mondays 9am-Noon at the south rectory door.

CommUNITY DIVERSITY GROUP ([Click here](#) for information)

Celebrate the La Grange area's racial, ethnic and religious diversity. Attend monthly meetings and movie and book discussions.

INTERFAITH COMMUNITY FOR DETAINED IMMIGRANTS ([Click here](#) for information)

Pray with a group every Friday morning 7:15-8am to up hold the dignity and rights of immigrants. The prayer vigil is currently virtual. To receive a link please email hello@icdichicago.org.

KOLBE HOUSE JAIL MINISTRY ([Click here](#) for ways to support their mission)

SFX FAMILY MINISTRY CARDS OF HOPE PROJECT

Dec 1-11, 2020. Write cards to people affected by cancer.

Contact Rachel Peterson petersonrtw@sbcglobal.net for information.

