

## ST. FRANCIS XAVIER FOOD PANTRY

*Loving God, give us our daily bread and remind us to share what we have so all people have their daily bread. Amen.*

Our mission is twofold: (1) to provide supplemental nutritious food assistance to those in need in a safe, respectful and prayerful environment and (2) to partner with our community to support the pantry through food drives and volunteer opportunities.

### Client Information

- Drive-thru service at St. Francis Xavier church parking lot (124 N. Spring Avenue, LaGrange)
- Food distributed every Tuesday from 10:00-11:30am, 51 weeks of the year (closed week between Christmas and New Year).
- Anyone who needs food assistance is served. Clients need to please bring a photo id. We serve an average of 80 families (or approximately 265 individuals) each week.
- Each family receives non-perishable and perishable food.

### Donor Information

- Food donations can be dropped off on **Mondays from 9am – noon** at the south door of the Rectory. We kindly request food that is not expired.

### Monetary Donations can be made via:

- Parish Give Central - [Click Here](#)
- Text PANTRY TO 708-340-6630
- Checks made payable to SFX Food Pantry o Drop off to rectory mail slot or mail to 124 N. Spring Ave, LaGrange, IL 60525

### General Information

- Nonperishable food items we need include: non-sugared cereal, pasta, mac'n cheese, rice, potatoes, tomato sauce, tuna, peanut butter, jelly, low sugar canned fruits and low sodium canned vegetables, soup and beans.
- We also provide "specials" when available, including coffee, tea, snacks, condiments, baking goods, personal hygiene products, baby items, laundry and dish detergent and paper towels.
- Our homeless clients receive a bag specially packed to meet their needs (ready-to-eat, pop-top cans, paper plates, bowls, utensils, cold drinks, etc.).
- We provide food to community organization clients including BEDS, LaGrange Area Department of Special Ed (LADSE) and Township of Lyons.
- Fresh produce is provided via the Greater Chicago Food Depository (GCFD), Share the Harvest, a group of community gardens and purchases we make at local grocery stores.

- If you or your group of volunteers at the GCFD, we receive \$5/hour credit per individual so please be sure to designate the SFX Food Pantry (Agency #A00419) on your volunteer form when you check in. The credit we receive is used to purchase food from the Depository for our food pantry. You can register to volunteer at [www.chicagosfoodbank.org](http://www.chicagosfoodbank.org).
- We have about 20 weekly volunteers who assist with distribution, preparing and packing the food bags. We also partner with community organizations, including businesses, area churches, elementary and high school students, and scout groups to provide food and volunteer support.

***We are so grateful for the ongoing support of our generous community!***

**Please email [Mary Freeman](#), Food Pantry Coordinator, or call (708) 352-0168 for more information.**