

June 6 was scheduled to be our 6<sup>th</sup> ANNUAL ALL PARISH SERVICE DAY but as we've learned these past 12 weeks, COVID-19 has messed with all our plans. It was never about ONE day of service for St. Francis Xavier parishioners of but this year, more than ever, we are reminded of how God works in us and guides us to keep being LIGHT even through the darkness of a pandemic.



## **WE GIVE THANKS FOR YOUR OUTREACH WITH...**

- **BEDS** Meals for people who are living in motels, at St. Barbara's Shelter, and at BEDS residences. Volunterr@beds-plus.org
- **BERNIE'S BOOK BANK** New or gently used books (infant-6th grade) can be dropped off on the front porch of 234 S. Leitch, LaGrange until **June 10th**.
- **CAR PARADES** A sign of the times... showing up to celebrate the special moments of peoples' lives and show appreciation for others... at a safe distance.
- **COMPANIONS JOURNEYING TOGETHER** Notes for women, men and children who are in prison. **Notes can** be dropped off on Mondays 9am-Noon at the south rectory door. For instructions, sfxinlg@sfxlg.org
- **CONGREGATION OF ST JOSEPH GARDEN** The teen mission trip was cancelled so they sought other ways to be of service. Sr Mary Southard, CSJ was delighted to have their help weeding and planting.
- **CONNECTED COMMUNITIES PROJECT** Fun cards, care packages, flower seed growing kits and more.

  Annabelle Porter and her family have started this project to reach out to their elderly neighbors.
- **FOOD PANTRY** Monetary and food donations. Special thanks to the small crew of on-site and behind-the-scenes volunteers. The pantry supports local residents, BEDS, LADSE, LTHS Transitions and Township of Lyons families who need assistance. We've received about \$50,000 & 1325 boxes of cereal to date.
- **GREATER CHICAGO FOOD DEPOSITORY** Volunteers (age 11-60 years old). Provide SFX Agency #A00419 when you volunteer so we receive labor credits for future purchases. **www.chicagosfoodbank.org**
- **INTERFAITH COMMUNITY PARTNERS** Rides and grocery shopping services for Seniors. Please contact Janet Garreau at jgarreauicp@gmail.com to volunteer.
- MASK MAKERS Who knew this was a thing? Thanks to Barb Budak, Fran Freeman, Francesca, Samantha & Alexandra Fuller, Cathy Gross, Janie Hull, and Cathy (first name only) for sharing their sewing talents.

  Masks can be dropped off on Mondays 9am-Noon at the south rectory door.
- **RELIGIOUS ED BOOK DRIVE** Beginner reader books donated by Religious Ed 4<sup>th</sup> graders for food pantry families.
- **ROSARY** Believe in the power of prayer! USCCB posted directions on how to pray the Rosary and daily reflections for vulnerable populations. For a copy, **sfxinlg@sfxlg.org**
- **ST VINCENT DE PAUL** Clothes & shoe drop off boxes in the rectory parking lot. Monetary donations are also being accepted at the rectory.
- **VERSITI BLOOD DRIVE \*June 12th 11am-5pm SFX Gym\*** If you need an additional nudge, Fr. Bill pointed out the blood drive lands on the Feast of the Body and Blood of Christ. To register, **sfxinlg@sfxlg.org**
- **WOMENS CARE CENTER** Donated baby items as part of the Area Respect Life Mother's Day collection.

If you are aware of a need for volunteers, please contact Mary Freeman mfreeman@sfxlg.org