

St. Joseph Parish Charitable Activities and Social Justice Commission

"See how they love one another."

This Commission works to reach out and serve those in need in our Parish, our community and our world.

Please join us! Information and contact information below. All are welcome!

Alpha House: Preparing/dropping off food, acting as dinner hosts and playing with the children after dinner (Food drop off 2:00 - 5:30). Parish contact: Heidi Nelson 734-846-7259 or shednelson@comcast.net

Parish Blood Drive: Given Covid-19 we will continue to host blood drives on a regular basis, Parish Contact: John Esposito, (201) 320-5090, espojr13@comcast.net

Bereavement Ministry: St. Joseph's Family Grief Program group meetings are on hold at present. Mary Kay is available by phone. Parish contact: Mary Kay Whitmer, 734-709-5562 marykay_whitmer@comcast.net.

Christian Services: Help those in need by donating food before Mass. Items with protein are a great help (hearty soups, tuna, macaroni & cheese.) Parish office: (734) 426-8483

Delonis Center: Parish volunteers assist with preparing the evening meal. This is a great opportunity to locally reach out to those in need and spend time with fellow parishioners. Parish contact: Nancy Batchelor, (253) 227-4831, Fuzymama@hotmail.com

Dexter Chelsea Hunger Walk (Crop Walk): Join this community wide event as walkers strive to build a hunger free world. Parish Contact: Doug Koepsell, (734) 260-0961 djkoepsell@gmail.com

Faith in Action Food Pantry: Receives our church's surplus food donations. Contact: (734) 426 7002

Moms in Need: Each spring we collect items in desperately needed by young mothers. Parish contact: Kathy Hirth (734) 426-5805, momleehirth@charter.net

Flint Outreach: We have created the role of a "St. Joseph, Dexter Ambassador to Flint" who would coordinate with the various charitable outreaches to Flint. Parish Contact: Jan Cleer, janfredclear@comcast.net or 734-424-0987.

Food Gatherers: We help repackage surplus food from over 300 local sources so it can be distributed to local food pantries and soup kitchens in our community. Parish contact: Jennifer Ray, 734-646-1269, jenraeray@gmail.com.

Funeral Luncheons: On hold for the foreseeable future.

3/11/2021

Volunteers' Calendar of Events 2021

Alpha House

Sunday 4/11, 7/11, 8/8 & 12/12

Parish Blood Drive

1/27, 1/28, 2/17, 4/16, 4/17, & 5/4
from 10-4 PM

Delonis Center

Mondays, 2/1, 3/1, 4/5, 5/3, 7/5,
6/7, 8/2, 9/6, 10/4, 11/1, & 12/6
3:00-5:00 pm
312 W Huron Street, Ann Arbor

Dexter Chelsea Hunger Walk

10/2021

Food Gatherers Warehouse

On hold for the present. Hope to
back in April

Giving Garden

All are invited to the
Spring Meeting, 4/20/21
7:00 PM - Village Parish Center

Giving Tree

Advent 2021

Lenten Food Drive

Coming Lent 2021

Moms in Need

Mother's Day Baby Shower

Spring 2021

Giving Gardeners: Each growing season, hundreds of pounds of vegetables are planted, cared for, harvested and delivered by the giving gardeners to Faith in Action and the Dexter Senior Center. We grow food & friendship. Parish contact: Barb Rutz, 734-550-9668, barb@rutz.us.

Giving Tree: Help make Christmas a joyous season for those in need by taking “ornaments” from the tree and purchasing the gift listed. Gifts are collected at Mass. Parish contact: Kathy Hirth (734) 426-5805, momleehirth@charter.net

Helping Hands Ministry: We provide assistance with meals, light house cleaning and transportation for up to three weeks for people recovering from illness, surgery or injury. Parish contact: Mary Kay Sinnott, 734-355-9683, mk52sinnott@gmail.com

Lenten Food Drive: Items collected at Mass are donated to Catholic Social Services. Parish contact: Kathy Hirth (734) 426-5805, momleehirth@charter.net

Ministry with Persons with DisAbilities: We work with parishioners who are limited physically or mentally and their families to provide accessibility to the liturgies and programs of our parish
Parish contact: Vanessa Stewart (734) 424-9907, vas8556@yahoo.com

Ministry to Homebound Parishioners: We visit the sick and homebound, bringing the Eucharist and fellowship. Please contact the Parish Office if you need a visit or would like to visit the sick, at 734-426-8483.

Prayer Shawl Ministry: Currently hard at work making masks in response to Covid-19 Parish contact: Marinell High, 734-426-8483, marinell_high@stjos.com

Recycle Brigade: Help us respond to Pope Francis' call to be good stewards of our environment. Go <https://stjos.com/ministries/charitable-activities-social-justice-commission/christian-outreach/> for a list of what we are collecting
Parish contact: Kathy Pawlicki, 734-272-2570, kpawlicki1@comcast.net

St. Leo Soup Kitchen: Once a month 8-10 people carpool to Detroit. We cook and serve the meal. It is a most rewarding experience.
Parish contact: Ann Smart (734) 424-0111, amsmart@comcast.net

St. Joseph Health Ministry: To assist members of the St. Joseph Parish community with their physical, emotional and spiritual well-being through health counseling, education, referral, and support services. Parish contact: Lori Lavastida-Phillips, 734-730-9634, lorilp@yahoo.com

Prayer Shawl Ministry
Knitting/Crocheting/Mask Making
No in-person meetings

St. Leo's Soup Kitchen
On hold at present

Join us at a CASJ Meeting
On hold at present

Help Available

Faith in Action
Food Pantries and More
603 S. Main St.
Chelsea, MI 48118
(734) 475-3305