

RESPECTING LIFE BY FEEDING THE HUNGRY

Following our theme of the Prayer of St. Francis where he says, "For it is in giving that we receive" this month we will concentrate on the giving of food and drink. In both the Old Testament and New Testament, we are asked to feed the hungry.

Proverbs 22:9 Generous people will be blessed for they share their food with the poor...

Isaiah 58:6-7 Is not this the kind of fasting I choose...Is it not to share your food with the hungry...

Isaiah 58:10 Feed the hungry and help those in need...

Matthew 25:35 For I was hungry and you gave me food; I was thirsty and you gave me drink...

We at St. Stan's have many ways to heed these commands. We serve a turkey dinner during Fall Festival. We have a pancake breakfast, dinner after a Polka Mass, and soup suppers during Lent. When funerals are held, we serve meals for those grieving and those who come to support.

Also we move out from our parish and feed the hungry at Loaves and Fishes and Feed My Starving Children.

Each week many people drop off a bag of food to be distributed. In July the Social Justice Committee will sponsor a food drive on the weekend of July 21st and July 22nd. Watch for details in the Sunday Bulletins.

And let us not forget a quote of Mother Teresa:

"If you can't feed a 100, feed one."

Every day we cook, bake, pour coffee, tea, milk or water for one another. Let us do these simple acts with care.