



St. Francis of Assisi Catholic Church Mobile Loaves & Fishes News

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New Sites for MLF Service

We are happy to announce that we will be serving two new locations beginning in June.



The 1st & 3rd Wednesday supper team will be delivering meals to the **Woodhill Apartments** on Woodstone Drive. We had been looking for a serving site where we could reach a few more people than our previous stop. The children living here attend our close by schools of Locke Hill Elementary, Hobby Middle School and Clark High School. We had been delivering to the **Fairways V Apartments** for many years. Although we are happy to serve anyone in need, the numbers there dwindled to below 10 people. We are hopeful that we will help many families in need that are living here.



We will also be moving the 2nd & 4th Friday supper team to serve in the **Habitat for Humanity** neighborhood, **Lenwood Heights** on Acme Road. Again, we wanted to spread out our meal service to more areas of San Antonio. St. Francis of

Assisi has partnered with Habitat for Humanity for about 20 years and we have built several homes in the Acme Road neighborhood. There are several refugee families that formerly lived in the Gardendale area that now are proud owners of Habitat homes.

We have been delivering to the **Apartments on Gardendale** for many years. We will still serve there on the 1st & 3rd Friday evenings. Thankfully, the families at Fairways and Gardendale Apartments can walk about ½ mile to Wurzbach Manor where we serve weekly. If you are aware of a location that could use our meals outreach services, please email the **MLF Core Team** @ mlfnw@sfasat.org.

Julie Mellin □



Clothing Team Needs Your Help

When looking for clothing to load on the **MLF** truck, please replace the plastic bins and proper sized matching lid to the same shelf space where you originally found it. Incoming donated clothing should be placed in the large tan bins under the metal table as much as possible, or on top of the metal table.

Please keep walk ways to the bread storage refrigerators clear and do not put clothing on the floor in areas where there may be water leaking.

As our teams often have to use the table space to bag potato chips or cookies, it is important that we all do our part to keep tables and walkways clear in the storage area of the **MLF** garage. Thank you.

Gerry Caron □

A Cooler MLF Kitchen Is on the Way!

Some of you may have noticed that the air conditioning in the **MLF** kitchen has not been working very well lately. Luckily, Jeff Crumrine, **SFA** parishioner and owner of [Jeff Crumrine Air Conditioning, Heating, Inc.](http://JeffCrumrineAirConditioningHeatingInc.com), also detected the problem and has volunteered to do something about it.

Jeff has agreed to service and keep our existing AC unit in working order and then replace it when necessary. Prior to the birth of our **MLF** ministry, Jeff

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contributed and installed the AC unit currently in use. As a member of the **SFA Men's Club**, he was also instrumental in the installation of the walk-in cooler and ice maker.

The **MLF** Core Team expresses their sincere thanks to Jeff for his generosity and selfless dedication to our parish and the **MLF** ministry.



YMSL Continues to "Spring" into Action

May 4th 2019 was a beautiful spring day and a great opportunity for a **Young Men's Service League** work day. Seven students representing Clark and Antonian High Schools along with five moms volunteered over 14 total service hours to support our **MLF** ministry.

While the moms made short work of sorting the donated clothing, the guys washed the service areas of the truck, cleaned up around the **MLF** storage space, assembled condiment packs and bagged chips into individual servings; lots and lots of chips, about 30 family sized bags in all. You can be sure the prep teams that week appreciated your hard work. Thanks **YMSL!**

Kathy & Gerry Caron □

What to Do with Extra Gift Cards

The **MLF** ministry is once again participating in the **St. Francis of Assisi Casino Night** fundraiser. This year's event will be held on Saturday July 6, 2019, and its profits are shared by **MLF**, **SFA** Teen Mission trip, and our sister parishes of St. Timothy and Immaculate Conception Catholic Churches.

We have supported the event in the past by running the very popular "Grab Bag" table. Thank you for the great start we have so far in collecting gift cards. We need various cards in the \$10, \$20 & \$25 range. Please bring the gift cards to the **SFA** office and let them know it is for **MLF Casino Night**. Tax receipts are available for contributions as requested. For additional information, email mlfnow@sfasat.org .

MLF T-Shirts and Caps Are Still Available

We still have a ready supply of **MLF** t-shirts and caps. The khaki shirts have the **SFA** logo printed on the left front pocket and the **MLF** logo shown on the back. Shirts are available in sizes small to XX large and the caps are adjustable. T-shirts and caps will be available for sale at **Social Sunday** on June 9th. Stop into Henke Hall to get your **MLF** clothing items for a \$10.00 each and wear them with pride!

HELP WANTED Openings – June 1, 2019

Our **MLF** ministry needs help for these crucial roles:

- 1) **Core Team** members for the **Core Team Director**, **Site Coordinator**, and **Day Volunteer Coordinator** positions (see [Job Descriptions](#)); and
- 2) **Meal prep and delivery volunteers** are needed for various meal shifts. For the complete listing, click this [Immediate Team Openings](#) link.

If you can assist with any of these jobs, please contact **Julie Mellin** @ volunteermf@gmail.com.

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Upcoming Events

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| June 9 | MLF Sponsored Social Sunday |
| July 6 | SFA Casino Night Fundraiser |

A Quick Reminder...

- **Captains**, notify mlfnow@sfasat.org **before** canceling a meal run.
- Call the Commissary person (listed on the bulletin board) on duty when you encounter food supply shortages.
- Prepare **only** the amount of meals shown on the **Meals Calendar** posted on the refrigerator
- Wear gloves and a baseball cap / hairnet when prepping meals or bagging cookies.
- Use a zip lock bag when re-bagging chips or cookies to help maintain their freshness.
- Sweep the floor and empty trash / recycling (into commercial bins) after each meal prep.
- Empty the dirty water from the clean-up pail after washing kitchen floors
- Cut down small cardboard boxes for recycling, but keep large boxes for meal deliveries.
- "Banana boxes" should be saved to use for Haven for Hope deliveries
- Clean all food containers for recycling. Shake crumbs out of bread bags / cookie trays. Place loose bags into one bag. Rinse peanut butter & jelly containers. If not, put them into trash.
- Fill-out the [MLF Truck Run Log](#) after deliveries **and** use the bottom section to report any unusual events / problems that occur.
- Report truck maintenance issues to David Aguilar @ tgeagle2@att.net . □