

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



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A Message from the Core Team: The Name is Changed, Mission Remains the Same

After exploring various options, the St. Francis of Assisi MLF Core Team has decided to change its name to Mobile Meal Ministry SA and to form its own 501c3 non-profit organization. In addition, our ministry will continue at SFA as it has since 2007. We may alter our name and redesign our logo, but our mission "to provide food, clothing, and dignity to our brothers and sisters in need" will remain the same.

We will continue to use the funds, food supplies, donated clothing, etc. to provide meals and comfort to our various San Antonio area locations. We still need your prayers, time, and monetary support to put into practice the words of our patron St. Francis of Assisi's peace prayer "for it is in giving that we receive."

If you can help our ministry in any way or if you have questions, please contact us at the phone number 210-249-1570 or email us @ mlfnow@sfasat.org. Thank you for your kind words and prayers as we continue the work of transforming the leadership of our MLF Core Team and reaffirming our vital mission.

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MLF Schedules School Supply Drive

The "Back to School" sales have just begun, and it's time for the 2016 Mobile Loaves and Fishes School Supply Drive! We will be collecting school supplies the weekends of August 6 - 7 and August 13 – 14. On those weekends, please drop off new school supplies in the donations bin in church foyer. These supplies will be handed out to the children we serve on our meal delivery stops. Our goal is to provide a basic school kit for 150 children.

If you are employed with a company (or perhaps own a company with several employees) and are looking for a way to "give back to the community," please consider holding a company-wide drive and then bring the school supplies to Mobile Loaves and Fishes. This is wonderful company initiative for outreach that will touch the lives of those most in need.

A basic "back to school" kit includes: backpack, crayons, colored pencils, erasers, folders, glue sticks, markers, notebooks, pencils, rulers, and scissors. For a detailed listing of school supplies, click **supply list**.

A "Sorting Party" to bag and box the items for distribution will be held on Sunday afternoon, August 14th from 3:00 – 5:00 p.m. in Henke Hall. If you are interested in helping, please contact Lynne Cruz via email at: cruzer512@att.net. We appreciate the love that you show for these children.



Wherever & Whenever There is a Need

Our MLF ministry now serves 25 locations in the San Antonio area, including homeless assistance agencies, neighborhood & community centers, refugee communities near the Medical Center, and several Catholic parishes on the East, South, and West sides. These Tuesday teams all serve St. Agnes / San Martin de Porres Catholic Churches:











For the addresses and a map showing the **MLF** meal delivery locations, click **Service Locations**. Our daily meal delivery runs can be found at: **Calendar**.



Boy, Can We Use Those Eggs!

With summer food supplies running low at the San Antonio Food Bank, the **MLF** ministry's food costs have been skyrocketing lately. We need donations of raw eggs for our meal preps. Each week, we use 80-90 dozen eggs, and that's what we hope to receive in donations. David and Margie Gilsdorf 's daughter recently raided her chicken yard and collected 7 dozen of fresh eggs for donation to **MLF**.

If you have any chickens that would be willing to make the sacrifice or if you can slip an extra dozen into your grocery cart, please do. Mark the egg carton as "raw", date it, and leave the eggs in the **MLF** walk-in cooler.

Contact Us

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Upcoming Events

Aug 6-7 & 13-14 School Supply Drive (see above)

A Quick Reminder...

- Wear a baseball cap / hairnet & plastic gloves when preparing OR serving MLF meals.
- Sweep the floor and empty trash/recycling after each meal prep
- Transport turkey & cheese sandwich trays on beds of ice
- **Supper Teams** upon your return, remove bed of ice and empty **truck** trash bin
- It's HOT! Unused condiments packets should not be left in the truck. Please return them to bin under the prep table.
- Report truck maintenance issues to Mike
 Villanueva @ mike1949v@sbcglobal.net

Writers Wanted!

If you would like to practice your writing skills or have ideas for articles, please submit them to <u>MLF News</u>. You need not worry about spelling or grammar. John Deosdade, the newsletter editor, will proof read and edit any articles sent to: deosdade@gmail.com.