



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

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## We're BACK!! Hopefully

It is long overdue but we are excited to announce that we will restart our serving calendar the week of August 23. Our day coordinators will be contacting the members of their teams and touching base about who can return to ministry with us. If you have not heard from your team leader by August 15th, please feel free to contact them. If you need additional help, you may contact Julie Mellin at [volunteermf@gmail.com](mailto:volunteermf@gmail.com). Our locations may change a bit, but overall we will be serving many of the same spots we delivered to pre-COVID. We will also be welcoming new members to our teams. Please invite your friends, family or church pew mates to join us! There is plenty of room to fit interested volunteers. We will be watching the evolving COVID situation and will follow the recommendations of the City of San Antonio as well as the Archdiocese of San Antonio. Thank you for your continued prayers and support. God willing, we will be back at it soon.

## Heartfelt Thanks for Long Time Core Members

We are so grateful for the dedication and hard work of many of our Core team members. In 2021, we are saying goodbye to several faithful servants for **MLF**. It is more like "see you around" than goodbye for these fellow parish members. **Tom Bibb** served as the Treasurer for MLF for over 8 years. Neither one of us could remember how long ago he started! But, there was a time when we dwindled down to three Core team members and praise God, one of them was Tom. He was instrumental in guiding many discussions, not only the financial ones. We thank Tom for his years of service and welcome **Judy Trevino** as our new Treasurer.

**Gerry and Kathy Caron** have sorted, folded and hauled so many bags of clothes...no one could keep count! Under the Carons' time in our clothing ministry, we have had some of the tidiest warehouse viewings in the history of MLF. They helped to standardize procedures and mentored many teenagers and parents during Saturday sorting sessions. They oversaw truck washing and kitchen clean-up crews during the weekend workouts. Thankfully they will help out (their words not mine) when available and not on an RV trip! Thank you to **Rita Duggan** who has agreed to oversee the clothing operation.

We may have already thanked them in the past but I would be remiss not to mention **Butch and Helen Rendon**. It is not possible to list all of the jobs they have held in the history of **MLF**. We thank Helen (and Butch in the background) for coordinating the condiment assembly team from its inception. It is a wonderful treat to see someone find that salt & pepper tucked in the bag. What a great addition to a hard-boiled egg! **Lisa Dilger** has been overseeing the Condiment team for many months and we are happy to have her join the Core group.

Also, Butch served as our Site Coordinator for many years. We welcome **Rey Lopez Mader** to this role. Her experience working in the community as well as a long history with **MLF** makes her a valuable addition to our Core Team.

## HELP WANTED

Openings – August 1, 2021

Our **MLF** ministry needs help for these crucial roles: **Core Team** members for the **Core Team Director**, **Special Intentions Leader**, and **Day Volunteer Coordinator** (see [Job Descriptions](#)). If you can assist with any of these jobs, email **Julie Mellin** @ [volunteermf@gmail.com](mailto:volunteermf@gmail.com)

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## A Quick Reminder...

- **Team Captains should notify [mlfnw@sfasat.org](mailto:mlfnw@sfasat.org) before canceling a meal run.**
- A team member should record the walk-in freezer and refrigerator temperature readings in the temperature log book.
- 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.**
- Do not pack turkey & cheese and peanut butter & jelly sandwiches in the same zip lock bags (peanut food allergies).
- 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.
- Sweep the floor and empty trash / recycling (into commercial bins) after each meal prep.
- Ensure that doors to clothing bay and ice machine **only** are locked after prep shifts.
- 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 / concerns to **David Aguilar** @ [tgeagle2@att.net](mailto:tgeagle2@att.net). □