



**St. Joseph Parish
Social Ministries Commission
Activities and Ministries**



Social Ministries

1. Migrant Ministry Meal Preparation on August 9

The St. Joseph Social Ministry Committee is partnering with area churches to provide support to the migrant workers in Washtenaw County. A potluck dinner will be provided to the migrant workers on the DuRussel Potato Farm following Mass that is celebrated on site at the Farm. You do not have to travel to the Farm to support this ministry!

Date: August 9, 2009

Help Requested: Prepare a main dish, side dish, salad, or dessert for a potluck dinner

Details: You can drop off your dish in the parking lot at the Village Church at 4:30 pm

Contact Information: Dale Kelly at dkelly89@comcast.net

2. Food Gatherers on August 14

Volunteer your time with St. Joseph parishioners as we assist the local food bank to support the needy in Washtenaw County. Volunteers will be assisting in the following: sorting food (such as produce), stocking the pantry with canned goods, repackaging bulk items, helping to salvage/wash damaged products (such as a case of juice boxes with one that is leaking), and working to keep the warehouse and trucks clean and food-safe. Our younger parishioners are also welcome to participate (age 12 and up). Date: August 14 from 10 am-12 pm at Food Gatherers

Contact Info: Dale Kelly at dkelly89@comcast.net by August 10, 2009.

3. Plant a Row for the Hungry

St. Joseph Social Ministries is collecting your home grown food to feed the hungry in our area from now until Oct. 1. We're accepting any vegetables, fruits and herbs that travel well, such as broccoli, carrots, green beans, tomatoes, peppers, onions, beets, potatoes, apples and pears. Please drop off your donation in the entranceways in the baskets. Your food can also be dropped off during the week at the Food Gatherers Warehouse from 9-5 pm daily at 1 Carrot Way in Ann Arbor (off Dhu Varren, east of Pontiac Trail).

4. Save Your Wrappers --Help Raise Funds to Feed the Hungry

Yes, you read that right! We're collecting wrappers and packages from products that will be "upcycled" – made into other products like nifty tote bags sold at Target made by Terracycle. Can you help? For each wrapper collected, we will get \$.02 from Terracycle to support projects at St. Joe's in Dexter to feed the hungry, and we are trying to collect as many as we can by Oct. 1, 2009.

- Drink pouches – such as Capri Sun, Kool Aid, etc. Can be any name brand.
- Snack bar wrappers – such energy, granola, nutrition, cereal and protein bars – that are plastic with a silver lining. Can be any name brand.
- Cookie package wrappers – any name brand, such as Chips Ahoy, Oreo, etc. Any name brand accepted.
- Candy wrappers – any brand, any size
- Any Kashi product package - wrappers, boxes, etc,. Anything made by Kashi!
- Bear Naked brand granola bags - only the Bear Naked brand, please.
- Nabisco brand Toasted Chips bags – such as Ritz, Wheat Thins Toasted chips. Nabisco brand only, please.

Thanks for your help feeding the hungry and helping take care of our earth. Email StJoeSocialMinistry@gmail.com if you are interested in collecting and we'll add you to the list, and we'll arrange a pickup before Oct. 1, 2009. Ask your friends, neighbors and coworkers to save them for you, too!