

# St. Ignatius Loyola Parish

## The Umbrella of Mission & Outreach Ministries

Our Mission & Outreach programs foster life and dignity for all and are a source of Christian compassion and justice to satisfy physical, social and spiritual hunger. Our programs seek where God will best be served, and where people will best be helped. While each program may serve a unique area of need, all are part of one body working to serve the greater good—a seamless integration of services to fulfill the parish's Christian vision.

**Community Assistance Ministry** Volunteers: 100s Budget: \_\_\_\_\_

The Community Assistance Ministry helps families in crisis with rental and utility assistance. Also, furniture such as bed frames and dressers. Parishioners call us and donate furniture. [inactive due to storage issues]. Monetary donations are always appreciated. We provide food baskets and hygiene items at Advent and Lent for 300 families through Feed-A-Family. We also work with refugee families referred to us by the Sacramento Food Bank and Catholic Charities.

**Family Promise** Volunteers: 15, Budget: \_\_\_\_\_ Co-lead/s: Patty and Joe Symkowick. Family Promise is a national organization that provides food, shelter, and support services for homeless families with children. Local faith communities provide physical housing for 1-2 families for one week several times a year. At this time, St. Ignatius supports this by bringing dinner one night per month.

**Elderly Visitation Ministry (EVM)** (1) Total volunteers for both programs: 28

The mission of this ministry is to bring spiritual and emotional support to the confined elderly in the privacy of their residence. Which includes:

**Communion to the Homebound/Xavier Ministry & Legion of Mary [Albert and Doris Santaromana]** (2)

As an extension of our liturgical life, members of our community bring the Holy Eucharist to those who are unable to be with us at Mass.

**Health Ministry** Volunteers: 10, Funding: donations for SGB Co-lead/s: Eileen Putney

Our members staff the Ask A Nurse table at SGB dinners. They procure, prepare and hand out basic hygiene bags, take blood pressures, provide information for various health issues. We are always in need of travel size toiletries [including tooth paste/brushes], feminine hygiene products, diapers, toothpaste, toothbrushes and TP.

**Ecumenical and Interreligious Ministry** Volunteers: 15, Budget: \_\_\_\_\_

We are members of the Arden, Arcade, and Carmichael Faith Communities and the Interfaith Council of Greater Sacramento. The Director represents the parish community as a member of the Ecumenical & Interreligious Commission for the Diocese of Sacramento and on the Board of Trustees of the Interfaith Council of Greater Sacramento. This ministry reaches out to other faith communities by listening, sharing, learning and respecting our faith diversity. We host and participate in faith events throughout the year.

**International Dinner** Volunteers: varies Co-lead/s: Pam Mooney, Linda Cassidy. A sociable annual potluck event.

**Seder Dinner** Volunteers: varies, Budget: \_\_\_\_\_

**Respect Life** Volunteers: 15, Budget: \_\_\_\_\_ Co-lead/s: Mary Seri, Peggy Panos

Ministry members commit themselves to the protection of life, which is threatened by abortion, capital punishment, euthanasia, racism, war and the arms race.

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**Sharing God's Bounty (SGB)** Volunteers: 100s, Budget: \_\_\_\_\_ Co-lead/s: Virginia Anderson, Steve Rausch  
A hot meal is served to our guests, anyone who is hungry, on the fourth and fifth Wednesday of the month at 6:00 p.m. Clothing, bedding, books, toys and some groceries are also available to our guests. Volunteers are always welcome. Donations of canned/dry goods/supplies, financial, gently used clothing and bedding are needed

**Just Faith** Volunteers: 16, Co-leads: Patty and Joe Symkowick. "JustFaith is an intensive, small-group process for faithful Christians looking to deepen their commitment to care for vulnerable people and our planet. Participants engage in reading, prayer, and thought-provoking dialogue." Programs "create an environment that invites personal transformation. We change people – and *those people change the world.*"

**Sister Parish** (1) Volunteers for (1 & 2): 20, Co-lead/s: Richardo Pineda, Sergio Diaz  
Our parish has a sister relationship with an international Jesuit Ministry—Parroquia San Ignacio de Loyola. Fr. Jack Donald, S.J. is the Associate Pastor in El Progreso Honduras. He visits our parish annually to update us on works supported by generous donations from our parish.

**Social Concerns** (2) Volunteers: (see above)  
We provide catechesis around contemporary local and global issues in light of the Gospel and catholic social teaching.

**Loaves and Fishes** Volunteers: 15, Co-lead/s: Lydia Enz  
We help prepare and serve the midday meal at Loaves and Fishes every third Saturday of the month. We gather at 8:00 a.m. to prepare the meal and serve guests at 10:30 a.m. We welcome volunteers to join us at 10:30 a.m. Age requirement: 14 years and older.

**Thomas A. Edison Language Institute (TELI)** Volunteers: 20  
Volunteers tutor basic math and reading principles during, before and after the school day at our neighboring elementary school. Make a difference in the education of a young student who needs assistance in his/her formative years.