



CALL TO SERVICE

Monday, January 19, 2009

*"If you want to be important — wonderful.
If you want to be recognized — wonderful.
If you want to be great — wonderful.
But, recognize that he who is greatest among you
shall be your servant. That's a new definition of greatness."
Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.*

In 1994, Congress transformed the Martin Luther King, Jr. holiday into a national day of community service to further commemorate a man who lived his life in service to others.

This year, President-elect Barack Obama and Vice President-elect Joe Biden have launched a national organizing effort on the eve of their Inauguration to engage Americans in service. This national day of service falls on Martin Luther King, Jr. Day, January 19, 2009. President-elect Obama is calling on all Americans to do more than just offer a single day of service to their cities, towns and neighborhoods. He is asking all of us to make an ongoing commitment to our communities.

"Whatever service activity you organize or take part in -- cleaning up a park, giving blood, volunteering at a homeless shelter, or mentoring an at-risk youth -- you can help start this important journey," said Michelle Obama in a statement on the Call to Service initiative. "But this is about more than just a single day of service, it's the beginning of ongoing commitment to your community." **Find out more about the Call to Service and sign up for an event in your neighborhood, visit <http://www.USAservice.org/calltoservice>.**

ANSWERING THE CALL TO SERVICE AT ST. JAMES

The Call to Service is more than just one day. Below are just some of the many outreach ministries of St. James Cathedral. **LOOKING FOR A WAY TO SERVE ON MONDAY, JANUARY 19? Participate in the sock drive and help us reach our goal of 2,009 pairs of socks for homeless men! Please bring your donation of new men's socks to the Cathedral any time between 9am and 5pm on Monday, January 19.**

CARE TEAM FOR PERSONS WITH AIDS AND MULTIPLE SCLEROSIS

Jennifer Ibach, 206-654-4640
jibach@stjames-cathedral.org
Work with a team of volunteers to provide practical and emotional support for persons living with AIDS and MS

CATHEDRAL KITCHEN

Jill and Jim McAuliffe, 206-264-2091
jmcauliffe@stjames-cathedral.org
Serve a hot meal to our low income or homeless neighbors, Monday - Friday

ENVIRONMENTAL JUSTICE GROUP

Patty Bowman, 206-382-4515
pbowman@stjames-cathedral.org
Provide education and advocacy on environmental justice issues

ESL PROGRAM

Christopher Koehler, 206-382-4511
ckoehler@stjames-cathedral.org
Teach English as a Second Language to immigrants and refugees; help immigrants and refugees become U. S. citizens

HEALTH & HEALING MINISTRY

John Simpson, 206-274-3173
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Provide health education, screening and referrals

HOUSING ADVOCACY GROUP

Jennifer Ibach, 206-654-4640
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Advocate for housing and homeless needs in our community through the Action Alert Network

OPERATION NIGHTWATCH HOMELESS MINISTRY

Jennifer Ibach, 206-654-4640
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Serve the homeless by providing sandwiches on the first and third Tuesdays of the month

PREGNANCY SUPPORT MINISTRY

Patty Bowman, 206-382-4515
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Provide practical assistance to pregnant and newly parenting women in need

SANDWICHES FOR ST. MARTIN de PORRES SHELTER

Tara Carr, 206-654-4640
sandwich.volunteers@gmail.com
Provide and serve sandwiches once a month for a downtown shelter

SOLANUS CASEY CENTER

Patty Bowman, 206-382-4515
pbowman@stjames-cathedral.org
Provide information, referral and ministry of presence to homeless persons and persons recently released from detention

ST. VINCENT de PAUL SOCIETY

Jijo Jose, 425-260-3476
Melissa Morrison, 206-219-5821
Offer information referral, spiritual support, and financial assistance to low income neighbors through home visits

VOLUNTEER CHORE MINISTRY

Jennifer Ibach, 206-654-4640
jibach@stjames-cathedral.org
Volunteer to help with household tasks that allow elderly and handicapped people to remain in their homes as long as possible

WINTER SHELTER

Jennifer Ibach, 206-654-4640
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Provide shelter and meals at the Cathedral for homeless men October through April, four nights a week