



St. Thomas More Catholic Community

Christmas in the Fall 2026

“Angel” agencies we are helping with this Outreach

Archdiocese of Las Vegas Seminarians: 23 men are currently in studies, attending courses at St John Vianney in Denver, St John's in LA, Mt Angel in Oregon, Mundelein in Chicago, Christ the King in British Columbia, Universidad de lumen Gentium Seminario Hispano, in Mexico City, North American College in Rome. These men are generously giving of their lives to be in service to this church and its people. Please join us in prayer for these young men. It is well-known that when prayers are offered in faith, positive outcomes often follow. Let us petition the Lord to provide guidance as they navigate this important decision in their lives.

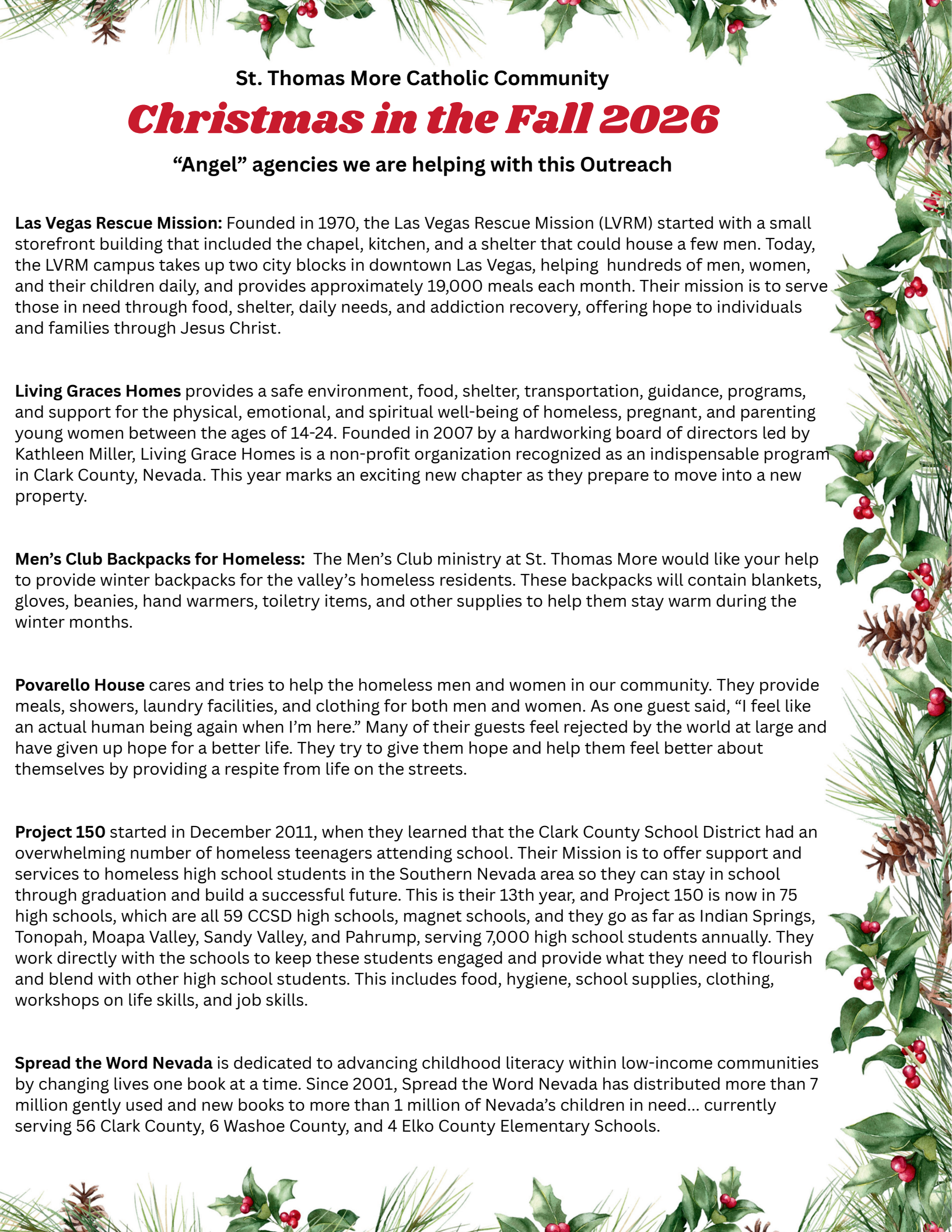
Catholic Charities of Southern Nevada: This organization serves the most vulnerable, regardless of age, race, religion, or creed. They operate 16 programs, which provide support to more than 4,500 people daily. This year, STM will be helping with four of its programs: W.I.C. (Women, Infants, and Children Clinic), Migration & Refugee Adult Education, Loving Hearts Adoption, and Client Services (unhoused clients).

Foster Kinship was created to help kinship caregivers provide safe, stable, and loving homes for children. It is the only organization in Nevada that focuses solely on supporting grandparents and other caregivers of kinship children. Foster Kinship offers services across the state and operates resource centers in Las Vegas and Reno. The organization provides free programs for grandparents and other kinship caregivers, including Kinship Navigation, Child and Youth Interventions, Marcie's Heart Donation Center, Kinship Training Institute, and Child Welfare Training. Foster Kinship also works to ensure that all kinship families have fair access to the services they need.

HopeLink of Southern Nevada is a 34-year-old Family Resource Center serving low to no-income households throughout Clark County with homelessness prevention and family stabilization, including rent, mortgage, deposit, and utility assistance, diversion solutions to avoid entry into homelessness, rapid rehousing of those experiencing homelessness, emergency shelter, basic needs such as food and clothing, and employment placement. They maintain a robust annual calendar of community service and outreach events, including career fairs, Back2School, and Thanksgiving meals for seniors.

Knights of Columbus Global Wheelchair Drive: In partnership with the American Wheelchair Mission (AWM), the Knights of Columbus raise funds to provide wheelchairs to people around the world who cannot afford one. A wheelchair can mean a child going to school, an adult returning to work, or an elderly person gaining independence. Each wheelchair costs just \$150--and every donation can change a life and an entire family. Help answer a prayer today. Donate \$150, or give what you can, and give someone the gift of mobility.

Las Vegas Catholic Worker: Inspired by the life of Jesus and the communion of Saints, the Catholic Worker (CW) movement was brought to life in 1933 by Dorothy Day and Peter Maurin. Julia Occhiogrosso & her husband, Gary, manage two houses, being a voice in the Nevada Wilderness, Grounded in Works of Mercy, cultivating community, practicing Active nonviolence, and providing meals to many of the homeless. They have a pantry from which they create boxes of food delivered to homes in need, and also provide “Showers for the Homeless,” partnered with Clean the World Foundation.



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Las Vegas Rescue Mission: Founded in 1970, the Las Vegas Rescue Mission (LVRM) started with a small storefront building that included the chapel, kitchen, and a shelter that could house a few men. Today, the LVRM campus takes up two city blocks in downtown Las Vegas, helping hundreds of men, women, and their children daily, and provides approximately 19,000 meals each month. Their mission is to serve those in need through food, shelter, daily needs, and addiction recovery, offering hope to individuals and families through Jesus Christ.

Living Graces Homes provides a safe environment, food, shelter, transportation, guidance, programs, and support for the physical, emotional, and spiritual well-being of homeless, pregnant, and parenting young women between the ages of 14-24. Founded in 2007 by a hardworking board of directors led by Kathleen Miller, Living Grace Homes is a non-profit organization recognized as an indispensable program in Clark County, Nevada. This year marks an exciting new chapter as they prepare to move into a new property.

Men’s Club Backpacks for Homeless: The Men’s Club ministry at St. Thomas More would like your help to provide winter backpacks for the valley’s homeless residents. These backpacks will contain blankets, gloves, beanies, hand warmers, toiletry items, and other supplies to help them stay warm during the winter months.

Povarello House cares and tries to help the homeless men and women in our community. They provide meals, showers, laundry facilities, and clothing for both men and women. As one guest said, “I feel like an actual human being again when I’m here.” Many of their guests feel rejected by the world at large and have given up hope for a better life. They try to give them hope and help them feel better about themselves by providing a respite from life on the streets.

Project 150 started in December 2011, when they learned that the Clark County School District had an overwhelming number of homeless teenagers attending school. Their Mission is to offer support and services to homeless high school students in the Southern Nevada area so they can stay in school through graduation and build a successful future. This is their 13th year, and Project 150 is now in 75 high schools, which are all 59 CCSD high schools, magnet schools, and they go as far as Indian Springs, Tonopah, Moapa Valley, Sandy Valley, and Pahrump, serving 7,000 high school students annually. They work directly with the schools to keep these students engaged and provide what they need to flourish and blend with other high school students. This includes food, hygiene, school supplies, clothing, workshops on life skills, and job skills.

Spread the Word Nevada is dedicated to advancing childhood literacy within low-income communities by changing lives one book at a time. Since 2001, Spread the Word Nevada has distributed more than 7 million gently used and new books to more than 1 million of Nevada’s children in need... currently serving 56 Clark County, 6 Washoe County, and 4 Elko County Elementary Schools.