

Christ the King Social Action Projects 2023-2024

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Meetings, all at 7 pm, all at Father Crawford Hall, Incarnation: The committee will meet September 19th, November 14th, January 16th, February 20th, March 19th and May 21st.

Ongoing Projects

Sandwich Collection for ImmaCare the first weekend of the month except when a holiday occurs. 50 loaves of sandwiches go to the shelter for their outreach program, and the balance collected (primarily from Incarnation) goes to The House of Bread. We also collect *men's T-shirts and socks in adult sizes in October & February and ** juice boxes in May & November. The dates for 2023 are: September 9 & 10, October 14 & 15*, November 4 & 5**, December 2 & 3. Dates for 2024 are: January 6 & 7, February 3 & 4*, March 2 & 3, April 6 & 7, May 4 & 5**, June 1 & 2, July 6 & 7, August 3 & 4. Coordinator: Vin Cannamela, 860-559-4536

Shelter Meals at ImmaCare: Prepare and serve 8 meals. The following are the dates, which are all on Wednesdays: 2023- September 13, October 11, November 8, December 13. For 2024- January 10, February 14, March 13, April 10 and May 8.
Coordinators: Niki Bordieri and Rose Melvin, both at 860-529-2545 or corpuschristi1@cox.net

Cooking Team for St Elizabeth's House, Mercy Housing & Shelter: The Women's Club plans, prepares and delivers a meal for the residents from September-June on the 1st Monday of the month from 1-3 pm in Fr. Crawford Hall at Incarnation. More leaders and helpers are needed.
Coordinator: Paula Melillo, 860-563-9506.

Weekly Food Collection: Food collected on the 1st week of the month goes to Sacred Heart Church (Maria Reina de la Paz Parish) in Hartford. The 2nd and 3rd weeks collection go to the Town of Wethersfield food pantry. The 4th week of the month and occasional 5th week of the month goes to St. Augustine's Church in Hartford. Coordinator: Mary Jane Densmore, 860-529-9928 (home); 860-965-9690 (cell).

House of Bread: Faith Formation Confirmation Class collects coffee, tea and sugar as a drive by at Father Crawford Hall, once a month, the same weekend as the sandwich collection.
Coordinator: Gina Burby, gina10272@gmail.com

Kids' Café and House of Bread: Faith Formation's Confirmation Class makes sandwiches and grinders after school and donates treats and snacks on an annual basis. At Easter time, they assemble and deliver about 500 goody bags.
Coordinator: Gina Burby, gina10272@gmail.com

Ongoing Projects, continued

GHIAA (Greater Hartford Interfaith Action Alliance): Advocacy and Organizing for Social Justice. Our parish is one of 50 diverse multi-faith faith communities and allied institutions throughout Greater Hartford organizing together for justice. Coordinated by Subcommittee.

Human Trafficking: Subcommittee coordinates education and prayer efforts and is part of the Care and Prayer Support for Mentees through The Underground and The Office of Catholic Social Justice Ministry. Through the Care and Prayer Program, we help 4 different survivors of human trafficking.

Rides to Church for a visually handicapped woman: Provide weekly rides to church.
Coordinator: Lucy Russo, 860-529-3698.

Medical Center la Amistad- Health Center at Monte de los Olivos, Honduras: Our parish's health clinic is staffed by Hondurans and providing ongoing health care 2x/wk to 50 different villages. Coordinator: Nancy Kiely, 860-989-5548 (cell).

Wethersfield Hunger Action Team Initiative: Town Committee to try and end hunger.
Coordinator: Maria Alfonso, 860-502-7072

Care Bag Project: Collect and prepare 700 bags for the homeless primarily in the Greater Hartford area and 150 bags for human trafficking survivors through The Underground NE. Bags are assembled in January, June, September and November. The January project is done with Faith Formation in January. Coordinator: Nora Uricchio, 860-830-5989

Relationship Building with St. Augustine church in Hartford: to help break down racial barriers.
Coordinators: Mary Jane Densmore, 860-529-9928 (home); 860-965-9690 (cell) and Nancy Kiely, 860-989-5548.

Helping Wethersfield families in Need: Town Social Worker will contact us if there are Wethersfield residents in need of assistance and our subcommittee will decide if we can help.
Coordinator- Nancy Kiely

Projects by Month 2023 to 2024

2023

Sept. 16th & 17th: Monetary collection for Medical Center la Amistad
Coordinator: Nancy Kiely, 860-989-5548 (cell) or nkiely80331@cox.net

Nov. to Dec.: Wish Tree/Angel Tree (both churches)- during Advent beginning Nov. 11th & 12th: Gifts/gift cards from Corpus Christi will be divided among 15 programs. Programs benefiting are: Interval House, Town of Wethersfield Social Services, St. Martin de Porres, Mercy Family Center, Covenant to Care, Hawkwing, Alberta Manor, Marshall House, Hands on Hartford, South Park Inn, Maria Reina de la Paz, Adelbrook Behavioral & Developmental Services, Ender's Island St. Edmund Retreat Center and the Women's League in Hartford. Incarnation's Angel Tree is done by Religious

Monthly Projects 2023-2024, continued

Wish tree continued

Ed and the Education Committee, open to the parish and they wrap the gifts for the Town and DCYS and deliver them.

Coordinators: Mary Jane Densmore, 860-529-9928, Lucy Russo, 860-529-3698

Nov. 18th & 19th: Thanksgiving Drive for Town of Wethersfield and CT Foodshare. Religious Ed and the school collect non-perishable food and the parish collects monetary donations for the Town of Wethersfield and CT FoodShare.

Coordinator: Ellie Ellegard, 860-830-1126

2024

February 14th – March 31st: Lenten Giving Crosses

Parishioners will have the opportunity to pray and/or donate their time, talent, and treasures for various programs & projects through cards being available at both churches.

Coordinator: Nancy Kiely, 860-989-5548

February 14th – March 31st: Rice Bowl- Parish, School and CCD to participate.

Coordinator: Mary Jane Densmore, 860-529-9928 & Nancy Kiely

March 9th & 10th: Drive for Snack Items to go to St. Martin de Porres, Town of Wethersfield Food Bank and Habitat for Humanity. Coordinator: Kathy Geltzer, 860-257-3517.

March 9th-24th: Bunnies for Hunnies-annual collection of stuffed bunnies to provide comfort, strength and smiles for children facing difficult life journeys. Bunnies are delivered to the CT Children's Medical Center, Yale New Haven Children's Hospital, Prudence Crandall, & many other hospitals and shelters.

Coordinator: Audrey Saharek, 860-529-2545 or email ahsaharek@cox.net

March 23rd & 24th: Easter food collection to be divided between Town of Wethersfield food pantry, St. Martin de Porres, St. Augustine's and Maria Reina de la Paz. The parish collection will be this weekend and the Corpus Christi School and Faith Formation children will collect non-perishable items for several weeks in March. Coordinator: need.

June 22nd & 23rd: Monetary Collection for Hawkwing, the reservation in South Dakota

Coordinator: Ellie Ellegard, 860-830-1126

July 20th & 21st: School supply Collection to be divided between Town of Wethersfield Social Services, Hawkwing and St. Martin de Porres. Coordinator: Lucy Russo, 860-529-3698