

A Note from our Food Pantries:

From Kim & Michelle at Ball-Chatham Food Pantry:

The Ball-Chatham Food Pantry provides emergency groceries to families and individuals in need in the area. During 2016 the B-C Pantry provided assistance to more than 150 families, amounting to approximately 500 people. As the Chatham community has continued to grow, so has the need and, with the communities help, the Pantry has been able to keep up with demand. Each month, the Pantry expends an average of \$1800 for perishable food stuffs to provide to clients. Monetary donations, such as the one from the St. Joe's Pancake Breakfast, are used to cover those costs. Without monetary donations, the Pantry could not provide items such as eggs, milk, cheese and meats for their clients.

From Cliff of Holy Family Food Pantry:

Thanks for the interest in our pantry. We greatly appreciate all the help we receive from St. Josephs. Interestingly, our mobile food pantry is coming to Chatham next Thursday and will be delivering food baskets to 40 families signed up thru the school system. This will be approximately 2,000 pounds of food. This will be our second trip to Chatham with the mobile food pantry. For calendar year 2016, Holy Family Food Pantry served approx. 4,000 families, about 12,000 individuals, approx. 142,000 pounds of food or approx. 118,000 meals. During Thanksgiving we served 455 families, 2,000 people and another 335 families during the Christmas season. Our ability to help all of these families would not be possible without the tremendous outpouring of concern and help of people like the parishioners of St. Joseph the Worker.

God Bless you all