

90 Days of Giving Back



In response to the numerous blessings received as a parish over ninety years we reflect on how to pass it forward through good works. The pandemic does pose limits, yet we ought to consider what we can do.

Corporal Works of Mercy:

To Feed the Hungry, To Give Drink to the Thirsty, To Clothe the Naked, To Shelter the Homeless, To Care for the Sick, To Visit the Imprisoned, To Bury the Dead.

Make/deliver Soup 4 Seniors, join in our Thanksgiving Food Drive, volunteer at a soup kitchen or food pantry, stop wasting water, donate new or gently used clothing, join our Habitat for Humanity build team when they resume, advocate for the homeless with elected officials, send cards to the sick if you can't visit, volunteer at Hour Children (of imprisoned mothers), write to inmates, advocate for prison reform, attend wakes and funerals when possible, donate blood. What other ideas come to mind?

Spiritual Works of Mercy:

To Convert Sinners, To Instruct the Ignorant, To Advise the Doubtful, To Comfort the Sorrowful, To Bear Wrongs Patiently, To Forgive Injuries, To Pray for the Living and the Dead.

Pray the Rosary for others (perhaps on Wednesday night Zooms), make a Holy Hour for someone's intention, read storybooks for adults or children who can't read, tutor others in what you do best, listen to the anxieties of others, express compassion for the suffering, forgive

and let go of a grudge, send sympathy/Mass cards to the bereaved. What other possibilities come to mind?

Charitable Works of Mercy:

Make a monetary donation of \$90 (or an amount affordable to you) in lieu of \$90 Dinner Dance Tickets or \$90 Journal Ads to:

St. Vincent de Paul-OLBS Outreach (assists local families), Mustard Seed Communities (our disabled children in Nicaragua), St. Mary's Healthcare System for Children, Bayside (long-term care for those with special needs), Ozanam Hall Geriatric Foundation (to enhance the care for our elderly), Queen of Peace Residence (for the elderly poor), OLBS Catholic Academy (for tuition assistance), The Bridge to Life (helps expectant mothers in need), The Robert DiLibero Foundation, Bayside (assists those with Leukemia and related diseases), or the charity of your choice. Donate directly to the charity or to OLBS Church with the charity name on the memo line. Unspecified donations will go to St Vincent de Paul-OLBS Outreach.

90th Anniversary Giving Back Initiative

Commitment Card for 90 Days Fulfillment Period

Yes, in gratitude to God for the blessings I have received as a parishioner of Our Lady of the Blessed Sacrament, I commit to the following: (See idea page and specify your choices/frequency)

Corporal Work of Mercy _____

Spiritual Work of Mercy _____

Charitable Work of Mercy _____

Name (optional) _____