



MISSION

WHAT ARE YOU CALLED TO?

JUNE 2011

ALL SAINTS MISSION MINISTRY TEAM

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Call the Parish Office for
Contact details

Meets—3rd Tuesday of
each month in the Parish
Centre



Are you involved in another Catholic organisation that you believe we should share with our parishioners?

If so, please contact one of our team members with information.

Update

Our aim has not been to be the establishers of outreach, but instead to look for and assist those who already provide this, then present to you the information we have gathered so that you are able to see what may be available to you.

For every person there is a different calling...What are you called to?

This newsletters provides information on a number of opportunities for you to choose from.

We ask for your prayers for all our parishioners and the many others in the world that reach out on a daily basis to the poor, orphans, the needy and helpless.

REMEMBER OUR SPECTACLE RECEPTACLE! GIVE SIGHT TO THOSE WHO CANNOT AFFORD THE COST OF SPECTACLES

If you have any old 'prescription' glasses and 'prescription' sunglasses that you no longer need you can place them in the box on the church trolley (our Spectacle Receptacle), or drop them into the parish office (marked for the MMT). These will be cleaned and checked by OPSM and distributed to those who cannot afford the cost of spectacles.



Around 170 pairs of specs donated so far

CRITERIA FOR SELECTION

Early in 2009 we presented to Parish Pastoral Council the hopes and plans we had for this ministry. It included criteria by which we would select ministries to promote, as well as a list of areas we had investigated (see the parish website for our first newsletter which explains this in full or on our stand on the church trolley).

FOR MORE OPPORTUNITIES—see the back of this newsletter.

Should you be interested in any of these opportunities, you may contact the organisation directly or one of our team.

Serving the Disadvantaged—a volunteers' story (Larry Mann)

There are many individuals and groups within our parish who already put so much time and effort into achieving a tremendous amount of good.

Some of us are involved in working for the various outreach projects of the St Vincent de Paul Society here in Brisbane. Our local parish conference members are involved in bringing a much needed hand up to needy families in various ways. This help includes food, clothing, furniture and help with covering some household bills.

'Dinner in the Park' at Sandgate involves many of our parishioners in preparing

and serving food for the homeless, feeding up to 40 people on a Saturday evening. These energetic people spend their Saturday evenings not only feeding but getting to know those who gather in the park, and learning their interesting stories.

Other parishioners are involved in the Vinnies housing program, which provides much needed accommodation to those who require it. Without volunteers these various projects and programs would not be able to continue.

The Vinnies shop at Eatons Hill is another project manned

by volunteers from the parish. Not only do they serve customers, but they encourage, collect and sort donations. The shop sells items, but much of their stock goes towards providing for those who just cannot afford these essentials.

The Good Lord has blessed our parish with so many giving individuals. Their kindness and generosity of spirit have a positive and lasting effect on many, whose lives are enriched by their goodness.

Please keep these volunteers and those they serve in your prayers. Also pray for those that are discerning as to where their calling lies.

It is no secret that Mission is central to Parish life. Catholic Mission states:

"Life is about change, transformation and growth. It is about birth, new beginnings and hope. Life is what happens when God's love stirs and disturbs....."

Visit Catholic Mission's website re their Childrens' Partner Program or take a brochure from the church trolley
www.catholicmission.org.au

MISSION MEXICO

Established by Pam and Alan Skuse, Mission Mexico Children's Refuge provides shelter and a fresh start for children.

This is where they care for children who have been orphaned, abandoned, abused or are from extreme poverty. The refuge cares for an average of 40 children on a daily basis, 32 of which are on a permanent basis.



To get involved contact parish office or

email:
info@lifelovehope.com

OPPORTUNITIES

ST VINCENT DE PAUL SPONSOR A STUDENT

The opportunity to sponsor an education for a student in a third world country

Only \$70 provides for their education for a whole year

100% of your donation goes to the students' education needs

As a parish we have sponsored a student, why not consider this yourself?

Contact St Vincent de Paul
Or see the leaflets on the MMT stand on the church trolley

KNITTING OR SEWING

If you can knit or sew, Mt St Michaels School collects the following:

- knitted preemie babies items (bonnets, booties or jackets)
- knitted/crocheted slippers or throw rugs for the elderly

Don't knit or crochet, but do SEW—then we invite you to make throw rugs for the elderly.

Any donations may be left at the parish office for collection. Please contact a member of our team if you have any queries.

LITTLE KINGS MOVEMENT

This group is committed to bringing to people with disabilities, where needed, a sense of worth, a sense of being valued and a sense of being loved.

Help is needed in preparing, serving and feeding of meals, grounds work, transport and interaction with participants.

The only ABILITY you need is AVAILABILITY!

If you are interested in this outreach, you may contact them directly:

Contact:
The parish office 3264 8283

OPPORTUNITIES—Overseas Mission Trips

GAWAD KALINGA-GK777 HOMES FOR FAMILIES IN THE PHILLIPINES

Gawad Kalinga translated means simply to 'give care'. The organisation works in one of the poorest parts of one of the poorest countries in the world – the Philippines.

Contact: Parish Office

Program for youth also available

LASALLIAN FOUNDATION

CONOSSIAN SISTERS

If you are interested in volunteering in East Timor contact—Sr Rosa on t: 3375 1661 or email psecretary@canossa.org.au

Different areas available depending on your skills / availability.

A way to gain a better understanding of the difficulties faced by the Timorese

This foundation works in over 80 locations around the world.

Contact—Miranda Chow on t: 03 9832 3100 or Email

miranda@lasallianfoundation.org

For more information or visit their website:

<http://www.delasalle.org.au/>

Great program for youth available
EAST TIMOR

Visit the parish website for a copy of our first newsletter which explains our Mission and the criteria for the outreach we have chosen to advertise

SELECTED LOCAL OUTREACH

Donations of old towels and blankets for the animal shelter. Leave donations at the parish office



PASTORAL CARE WORKER PRINCE CHARLES HOSPITAL

Why not become a EUCHARISTIC MINISTER AT THE PRINCE CHARLES HOSPITAL

Contact Sr Deborah if you are interested in this ministry

VALLEY OUTREACH

The centre is currently closed. We will let you know when it reopens and what they need.

ST VINCENT DE PAUL WELFARE AREA

ALWAYS NEEDED

Volunteers to work in the SVDP call centre. If you can give some of your time to assist in this area please CONTACT THEM DIRECTLY—
TEL: 3010 1000

Volunteers to field the calls from people all over Brisbane. Any time you can give would be most welcome.

Club 61



OUR AIM:

- To create V.I.P.s
- To Eliminate R.I.P.s (premature)



Volunteers provide support to people affected by mental health issues who are living in the community in the northern suburbs of Brisbane. Support generally takes the form of a cuppa and a chat with people each week at various locations.

Contact—Parish Office