



ST. FRANCIS XAVIER
MISSOULA'S JESUIT PARISH

Social Outreach

We have several outreach projects throughout a normal year. As Covid numbers continue to subside, we hope to resume and hopefully expand volunteer opportunities for parishioners to engage with the community.

Currently, we have two groups, started by Mark Brown and the men's prayer group, who work at the Poverello building sack lunches for folks served by the shelter, including clients who are living on the streets and those who work during the day. Our Jesuit Volunteer/Americorp member, Kelsey can be reached at kshaw@sfxmissoula.org if you would like to volunteer.

Another group, coordinated by Autumn Schwenk, puts together and delivers baskets to those who are homebound, grieving or in need of support in a caring way. If you would like to participate or if you know someone in need, please call the parish office or email aschwenk@sfxmissoula.org

We have been a host church for Family Promise since its beginning in 2012, providing shelter for unhoused families. Dedicated volunteers have stayed overnight, hosted families in the evening, cooked and served meals, set up and cleaned the spaces, and washed linens. This program has housed dozens of families over the years, and is moving to the Meadowlark Family Housing Center in conjunction with the YWCA. Volunteers will still be needed to stay overnight at the shelter, provide salads and desserts and serve meals. For more information, please contact Pam at pbrigham@sfxmissoula.org

Watch for more information about volunteering at our annual Christmas Giving Tree, the Missoula Food Bank, the Montana Food Bank Network, Habitat for Humanity and other service opportunities.