St. Paul's by-the-Sea Weekly news & updates

August 4, 2023

"As a church, we are compelled by the Gospel to help the least among us, the hungry, the needy. We hope that this Ocean City community that we love so much will join us as we work to bring dignity to the least among us."

Pastor Jill Williams

August is Shepherd's Crook Month

During the month of August Shepherd's Crook will be taking special collections of popular items to relieve some of the overwhelming need and rising cost of food.

Donations are accepted weekdays between 10am-Noon. If nobody is available to accept your donation, a collection basket will be placed outside the office door which faces Third Street. Otherwise, you can bring your donation with you to church and deposit it in the basket in the Narthex.

If you would rather make a monetary donation, you can either put it in the offering plate or mail it to the church office. Please be sure to note in the memo of your check that it is for Shepherd's Crook.

Each week is designated as follows:



August 1-6: Cereal and Peanut Butter



August 7-13: Beef Stew, Tuna, Chicken, Spaghetti Sauce





August 14-20: Toiletries, including Toilet Paper

August 21-27: Fruits and Vegetables

The Shepherd's Crook volunteers and the congregation of St. Paul's by-the-Sea want to sincerely thank:

- Remi Anderson from *Ocean City Today* and Javari Burnett from WMDT for reporting on our ministry and it's need for community assistance.
- All who have generously responded to the OCDC letter, the newspaper article and the television feature.
- Wawa, Acme, and all who have made donations throughout the years.

Together, we are living out the Gospel!

Shepherd's Crook Sponsorship Program

Funding for the operation of the Shepherd's Crook Food Pantry is dependent upon the generous financial donations from individuals, service groups and businesses that allow us to purchase the food we need.

We serve anyone who walks through our doors. During the summer months, the demand on our food pantry grows exponentially, in large part due to an influx of international workers that support Ocean City's economy. We want to continue providing services to all who come to our doors, but our resources are limited, and food costs are rising. Therefore, we are developing a sponsorship program to help support this ministry. Any group, be it a family, a neighborhood, staff members/friends, service organization, or business of any size can take part.

Larger businesses may consider sponsoring an entire month of food, ranging from \$1,500 to \$4,000 depending on the month. During that month the business may want to send employees to serve the clientele as a team building exercise. The business could

also advertise their partnership with the local food pantry. We would provide logos for their use for marketing purposes.

Any size business or service organization may consider hosting a food collection drive, making food donation a part or all of the price of admission at one of their events.

Smaller groups may want to sponsor a bagged lunch or hot meal once a month or quarter. There is a great need for toilet paper. Perhaps a hotel could sponsor/provide cases of toilet paper for a certain period of time. Another sponsorship opportunity could be providing the supplies for our coffee/beverage and donut station.

If you are interested in more information about our sponsorship program please contact Jody Farley at **jfarley@stpaulsbythesea.org**.





Pictured above are the bare shelves and empty refrigerator after one week/three days of serving 80-100+ people each day.



Pictured is what was purchased at Walmart this week, costing more than \$800. This

food will last only two days.

Shepherd's Crook Everyday Grocery List

The following items are always needed and always welcome: Canned Tuna & Chicken - packed in water - 5 oz. cans Vienna Sausage Canned spinach, collards, pinto beans, kidney beans, black beans, corn Fruit - cans or plastic one-serve containers of pineapple, peaches, pears, oranges Soups - anything Progresso, Tomato, Chicken Noodle Pasta Sauce (in non-glass containers) Pasta Peanut Butter Paper Products - toilet paper, napkins, plates, bowls



If you would prefer to make a monetary donation, checks should be made payable to St. Paul's by-the-Sea, with Shepherd's Crook noted on the memo line.



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<u>Click here</u> for a PDF of the 8/6/2023 Spanish bulletin.

<u>Click Here</u> to watch the 7/30/2023 Holy Eucharist, Rite II service.

Prayer List

Please keep those on our prayer list in your daily prayers.

Robbie Whittington Joyce, Cindy Dreslin, Kyle Harmon, Shirley Connor, Jose Cabrera, Ryan Fischer, Katlyn, Letty Trimper Hurst, Fr. Joe Rushton, Connie Mayers, Doug Dryden, Brian Friedman, Grace, Randy Hastings, Frank Candeloro, Jr., John Seward, Stephanie Hill, Douglas Allan, Yvetta Henry Tull, Jean Charles, Jimmy Farley, Alex Hoffman, Jonathan Jones, Larry Lorton, Dee Toms, The Lecates Family, The People of Ukraine, Michael Hallett, Hannah Johnson, Hugh Smith, Ralph Hastings, Cathy Wist, Frank Avallone, Mary Wright, Andy Diaz, Alan Farley, Liana Wallman, Betty O'Key, Susan Lewis, Presiding Bishop Michael Curry, Christine Zellner, Brian, Nicoyia, Tom Belle, Cami Rogers, Aaron Call, Christine Bauerdorf

Worship Leaders Schedule

This Sunday–August 6, 2023

Celebrant: Pastor Jill Williams Reader: Dan Harris Altar Guild: Shirley Aydelotte, Lynda Azar Usher: Kay Ayres Counters: Shirley Aydelotte, Lynda Azar

Next Sunday—August 13, 2023 Celebrant: Pastor Jill Williams Reader: Debbie Shuster Altar Guild: Shirley Aydelotte, Lynda Azar Usher: Dan Harris Counters: Amanda Cropper, Amy Rothermel

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