

GATHER

May Community Meal Cancelled

The **Sunday, May 31** Community Meal has been cancelled as a result of the extended “Stay Home, Stay Healthy” order. Thank you for doing your part to keep everyone safe. You will be in our thoughts and prayers. Stay tuned for updates on the June 28 meal as they become available.

GIVE

Support the Welcome Table Meal Program

The Welcome Table serves a meal to homeless individuals and families in the White Center area every Saturday at noon at The Body of Christ Church at 1320 SW 102nd St. In addition to a meal, snack food, hygiene supplies, and clothing are handed out to those in need. Support the meal by donating something for the meal (store-bought), non-perishable snacks (string cheese, canned meat, cracker packets, raisin boxes, fruit cups, etc.). They also desperately need men's clothing/shoes/coats/gloves, duffel bags, backpacks, blankets, Depends, tp, and toothpaste. Drop off donations between 11-11:30am before guests arrive. You don't even need to get out of your car....volunteers will unload it for you!

SERVE

Youth Migrant Project is on!

The Youth Migrant Project summer mission trip for teens (graduating 8th graders through graduating seniors) is moving ahead! We will be accepting applications and preparing for a week of service in the Skagit Valley from **August 10-14**. This program, in its 5th year at OLG, gives youth a chance to learn about migrant life by visiting the camps, working in the fields, and distributing food through the Tri-Parish Food Bank. We will join with youth from St. Anne, St. James and St. George. We will continue to monitor updated health advice as we proceed. Even if the regular program isn't possible in its entirety, we hope to do something to assist the essential farmworkers and their families as they labor to put food on our tables! **Applications are due by Sunday, May 31**. Email Jennifer for more information (jibach@olgseattle.org).

Help us Grow Food for the West Seattle Food Bank!

Get some fresh air and exercise by helping out with Day of Service projects that were cancelled on the OLG campus. Help get our gardens ready to grow fresh fruits and veggies for the West Seattle Food Bank by weeding, spreading mulch, pruning, etc. Sign up on our website (www.olgseattle.org).

COVID-19 Assistance: Ways to Give and Get Help

With the “Stay Home, Stay Healthy” order in place through May and school cancelled until the fall, many of us find ourselves in difficult situations. Homeschooling, stress, isolation, financial strain, and health concerns are some of new challenges we are facing. Know that you are not alone. We are here to support you in any way we can. To that end, we are continually adding to our new COVID-19 Assistance page: <https://olgseattle.org/covid-19-assistance>. Whether you need assistance, want to lend a hand, or both, we've got resources for you. We have also included prayer resources to strengthen you on the journey. Have a resource to share? Send it to Jennifer (jibach@olgseattle.org).

LEARN

Celebrate Laudato' Si Week: Care for Creation

To commemorate the 5th anniversary of the encyclical *Laudato Si'*, Pope Francis invites Catholics to participate in *Laudato Si'* Week, a nine-day global campaign taking place May 16-24. Pray, learn, and act to care for God's creation. Sign up to receive weekly reflections at <http://usccb.org/issues-and-action/human-life-and-dignity/environment/>

ACT

Urge Congress to Support Immigrant and Refugee Communities in next COVID-19 Legislation

Right now, Members of Congress are considering a fourth package of COVID-19-related legislation. While we are grateful for measures Congress has taken to address the crisis, there remain unique challenges that refugees and immigrants face. Crises test who we are as a nation – and we are stronger when we are united, extend compassion to our neighbors, listen to public health experts, and resist medical prejudice and scapegoating. It is imperative that Members of Congress

hear that their constituents want to see meaningful solutions that support all our neighbors, including immigrant and refugee community members. Contact Your Senators and Representatives today at <https://greateras1.org/>

Catholic Relief Services: Lead the Way

Together, we're changing lives around the world. Putting our faith into action as a community, we've been able to lead the way on the most pressing issues of our time. But our work is far from over. That's why we've launched a new campaign to continue *leading the way* to dignified and peaceful futures for those forced to flee their homes, and we'll work to ensure all people everywhere have access to the nutritious food they need to thrive. We're forming a movement that touches the lives of communities across the country—and changes the lives of millions around the world. We'll provide opportunities to for you to learn, pray, act and mobilize others in your community at this pivotal moment for our human family living in poverty. Sign up and join us today at <https://www.crs.org/get-involved/lead-way>