



Knights of Columbus Lend a Helping Hand for Good Friday

We would like to extend our heartfelt thanks to the Knights of Columbus from Minster and St. Marys for generously volunteering their time and energy to help pack our Good Friday Food Boxes. Their willingness to serve and their spirit of fellowship made a big difference, turning what could have been a long task into a joyful time of teamwork and community. It is through partnerships like these that Agape Ministries continues to be the hands and feet of Christ in our community.

Thanks to their hard work and dedication, we are now fully prepared for our Good Friday Free Food Box Giveaway on April 3rd from 9am-11am. We look forward to welcoming families and sharing these meals as a reminder of God's love, hope, and provision during this sacred season. We are truly blessed by the support of organizations like the Knights of Columbus who continue to walk alongside us in service to others.



Our Volunteers Rock!

We are incredibly blessed by a community of volunteers who show up with willing hands and joyful hearts, ready to do whatever is needed. Whether it's sweeping floors, untangling jewelry, stocking shelves in the food pantry, counting puzzle pieces, sorting clothing, or walking alongside clients as they shop, every task—big or small—is done with care and compassion.

Our volunteers are more than just helpers—they are the hands and feet of our mission. They bring kindness, dignity, and hope to every person who walks through our doors. Because of them, we are able to continue serving our community in meaningful and impactful ways.

To each and every volunteer: thank you. Thank you for your time, your energy, and your servant hearts. You are truly the heartbeat of Agape Ministries, and we are so grateful for the difference you make every day.



Looking for a Project for Your Small Group? We Can Help!

Are you part of a small group, Bible study, youth group, civic organization, or workplace team looking for a meaningful project to take on together? Agape Ministries would love to partner with you. We have many opportunities for groups of all sizes to serve and make a real difference in our community.

From packing food boxes and preparing meal kits to helping in the thrift store, helping maintain our grounds or working on behind-the-scenes projects, there is always something that needs an extra set of hands.

Serving together not only strengthens your group, but it also brings hope and encouragement to the families we serve every day. If your group is looking for a way to put faith into action and give back to the community, we would be honored to work with you.



Agape Food Pantry News

As we welcome the month of April, Agape Food Pantry is excited to begin collecting items for our upcoming Cinco de Mayo food distribution through our pantry, which will take place throughout the month of May. This special initiative allows us to celebrate culture and community while providing families with ingredients to create festive and flavorful meals at home. We are seeking donations of items such as taco shells, tortillas, rice, beans, salsa, canned tomatoes, seasoning packets, and other pantry staples that bring these dishes to life.

When you're out shopping, we invite you to pick up a few extra items to share with a neighbor in need. Your generosity helps turn simple ingredients into meaningful meals that families can enjoy together. Every donation makes a difference, adding both nourishment and joy to the table, and reminding those we serve that they are supported by a caring and compassionate community.

Every donation—big or small—makes a lasting impact. If you're able, consider picking up an extra item or two during your weekly shopping. Thank you for being part of this mission and sharing God's love in such a meaningful way. Together, we can help make Easter brighter for our neighbors in need, one meal at a time.



Agape Thrift Store News

Spring is finally here, and we're excited to welcome the season at the Thrift Store with a fresh mix of new arrivals. It's the perfect time to swap out those heavy winter layers for lighter, brighter pieces that just feel like spring. Whether you're looking to refresh your closet with everyday outfits, find something nice for church, or pick up a few fun accessories, there's plenty to choose from at prices that make it easy. We do have a small selection of Easter items available as the holiday comes early this year, so be sure to stop in soon if you're still looking for those last-minute touches.

With the weather warming up and everything coming back to life, it's also a great time to find something fun for the kids. Our toy section is always changing, and right now it's full of great spring finds—from outdoor games that get kids moving to toys that spark creativity and imagination. It's a perfect spot to grab a little surprise or just enjoy browsing for something new. Since items are added daily, every visit is a little different.

"I Brake For Yard Sales, Thrift Stores, and Weird Stuff Left At The Curb"

Spring is also a wonderful time to refresh your home. We have a wide selection of seasonal décor, kitchenware, and home accents that bring brightness and warmth to every room. From colorful linens to practical dinnerware and unique decorative pieces, there's something to help every space feel fresh and inviting. Whether you're redecorating a room, preparing for a spring gathering, or simply looking for a little seasonal pick-me-up, the Thrift Store is full of treasures waiting to be discovered.

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February Shout Outs

- A heartfelt thank you to the St. Augustine Missions Commission for generously donating over 700 pounds of Hands and Heart Meal kits for our clients.
- Let's give a round of applause to the St. Marys and New Bremen FFA for their efforts in packing and donating 2,450 rice meal kits for our clients.
- A tremendous thank you to the Wayne Street Church and the St. Marys High School Interact Team for creating 130 birthday bags for our clients.
- Every act of generosity, no matter the size, reflects God's love in action and serves as a powerful reminder of our calling to care for one another. These generous contributions enable us to provide essential programs, nutritious meals, and vital resources through our food pantry and thrift store, addressing both physical and spiritual needs. Together, driven by faith and compassion, we are committed to nurturing a community grounded in service, hope, and love—one donation at a time.



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February Stats

- Agape Food Pantry served **353** people in **150** households.
- Agape Weekend Power Pack Bags were disbursed to **465** students.
- Senior Boxes were delivered to **12** people.
- Clothing vouchers were issued to **1** people.
- Household vouchers were issued to **0** people.
- Financial Aid was disbursed for **2** people.

