

Mercy Seekers

“... Go and find out the meaning of mercy.” Mt. 9:13

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A MESSAGE FROM THE DIRECTOR
FATHER MICHAEL BARRY, SS.CC.

“**N**o one can say that Jesus is Lord unless it be given him by the Holy Spirit” (1 Cor 12:1) This is a basic truth of our faith but also an element of Mary’s Mercy Center. There is a misunderstanding that leads us astray and that is that we pray. It is rather the Holy Spirit praying in us. The Holy Spirit is always active in us. Our own sins and controls frustrate the Holy Spirit. It is only when we obey and follow the promptings and urgings of the Holy Spirit that we truly pray, or should I say that the Holy Spirit prays in us.

This is so true when it come to our whole approach to Mary’s Mercy Center. As soon as we think of Mary’s Mercy Center, the Holy Spirit is active in us. When we pray for Mary’s Mercy Center it is the Holy Spirit that is praying. As soon as we volunteer or donate, the Holy Spirit is in the offering. What is more is that all that we pray or do for Mary’s Mercy Center, means that we are proclaiming the gospel of Jesus Christ and evangelizing. Through the activity of the Holy Spirit in us God’s mercy lives on. In September, despite the heat and temperature God’s mercy is stronger at Mary’s Mercy Center because of you.

- Fr. Mike

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TIME IS RUNNING OUT!

Our 30th Anniversary Gala Fundraiser Dinner

IS THIS MONTH

FRIDAY SEPTEMBER 22, 2017

at BOLLINGER’S CANDLELIGHT PAVILION

Featuring “My Way: A Musical Tribute to Frank Sinatra”

Buy your tickets to help us celebrate
and honor this year’s Angel of Mercy recipients

Terry & Nicole Kent





We thank Dr. Rogers for pulling together a great team of dentists, assistants, hygienists, and students. The team spent a day at Mary's Table providing much needed services to the poor and homeless. We especially thank Dr Rogers as he is the one person who pre-screens everyone who is served at the clinic. That takes not only time but dedication.

Thank You!

**Full
Bellies
Warm
Hearts**



Our heartfelt thanks to BIA Mt Baldy and everyone behind the Full Bellies Warm Hearts event. It is great time for the families of Veronica's Home. They have fun with activities such as face painting, enjoy great food AND, in preparation for going back to school, the kids received haircuts and backpacks full of school supplies as well as new shoes and winter coats. This is not just a one time thing. These good people have been doing this for seven years now. *Thank you! Your generosity is both needed and appreciated.*



It's back-to-school - Some of the younger ones are a little worried, some the older ones are playing it cool but all of them are headed into months of activities and new friendships. Keep them in payer that all goes well.

Thank you



WOW! The chapel at Mary's Table was remodeled, or should we say it was completely transformed! A group of Father Barry's friends from Oak Hills made the trek down to San Bernardino everyday for



several weeks to work on the project. Though they plan to add some finishing touches to the chapel, it was done in time to for us to celebrate mass on the Feast of the Assumption. It was a special service not only because of the feast but the new surroundings added to the sense of the sacredness of the celebration.



Endeavour to Inspire



We thank Brenda Dowdy and the Homeless Education Project - San Bernardino County Superintendent of Schools. They provided the families of Veronica's Home of Mercy the opportunity to attend an event at the California Science Center. They visited the space shuttle "Endeavour". It was a wonderful experience. They learned about the Endeavour and how it traveled to space and back. They also engaged in activities focused on the sciences; physics, biology, chemistry, earth science, and more! There were also hands-on exhibits which highlighted human inventions, life processes and our ecosystem. These kinds of field trips help to inspire our future generation to go into the sciences.

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Did You
KNOW



In July 2017 Mary's Mercy Center through its Mary's Table and Mary's Children provided the following services;

Meals served: **6,112** (includes lunches for parolees)

Food Bags: **635 bags over 3 Wednesdays**

Showers (including a change of clothes): **375**

Hygiene kits: **342**

Clothing (2-4 outfits and shoes): **60 of which 32 were for extreme emergencies; 34 pairs of shoes**

Children's Program: **26 families' needs were met. We were also able to help these families with 200 pounds of clothes and five strollers**

We were able to help the recently re-housed with a stove, a refrigerator, a mattress set, a dresser and a chair.

THANK YOU - what we are able to do is possible because of you!



On behalf of our homeless guests we thank Touch of Love Ministries of Moreno Valley. On July 29th, they brought backpacks filled with a variety of essentials for our homeless guests. This included items like wash cloths, hygiene items, toilet paper, blankets, socks, water, ... and a bible. They also brought new shoes and paid for the cost of the lunches served on that day. They blessed our guests, our volunteers and our staff with their generosity.