



Catholic Schools Support

Nearly 5,000 students attend the 16 Catholic grade schools and three Catholic high schools in the Archdiocese of Oklahoma City. Two funds at the Catholic Foundation of Oklahoma help with this important ministry. One is the Saint Katharine Drexel Fund, which provides grants to financially struggling parishes with a school. The goal of the Drexel Fund is to ensure that all students, regardless of financial ability, have access to a Catholic school. High-quality administrators are vital to Catholic schools. The Saint John Baptist de La Salle Fund provides leadership formation opportunities for teachers and principals in the archdiocese. The goal is to elevate the professional capacity of future Catholic school leaders. Gifts to these funds may be made at cfook.org/drexel and cfook.org/delasalle.



Gospel of Life Disciples

This ministry embraces the corporal and spiritual works of mercy by caring for homeless, ailing elders, free of charge. The mission of the Gospel of Life Disciples is “to treasure people who are rich in years and accompany them with life-affirming care.” Gospel of Life Dwellings are sustained entirely through charitable contributions. The ministry is led by Sister Maria Faulkner of the Trinity. “Gospel of Life Dwellings are not facilities, nor are they nursing homes,” she said. “They are little domestic churches, in the sense of the early Christians, where life is shared as a pilgrim journey, eating together and praying together, in the mutuality of daily life.” Sister Maria notes that the residents live much longer than many might expect because they are surrounded by love. Financial gifts may be made at gospeloflifedisciples.org.



Sister BJ's Pantry

Sister Barbara Joseph Foley, a Carmelite sister of Saint Therese of the Infant Jesus, founded Sister BJ's Pantry in 2006. Since that time, the pantry has ministered to thousands of homeless in Oklahoma City. The pantry provides food and drink to its visitors, along with companionship. The pantry's Saint Joseph Clothing Ministry makes clothing available to those who need it.

In conjunction with the Order of Malta, the pantry offers a Coats for the Homeless program that provides specially designed coats each year. The pantry also offers a clinic that provides basic foot care. “Our mission,” Sister Barbara Joseph said, “is that of being an immediate but effective service to the homeless in all their needs, material and spiritual, until they can find some others who can help them in a better and more lasting way.” Gifts may be made at srbjpantry.org.

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