

# Diocese of Northern Indiana

## Outreach Ministry Resource Directory

| <b>Parish</b>                     | <b>Type</b>     | <b>Name</b>   | <b>Description</b>  |
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| Angola – Holy Family              | Health          | Faith Community Clinic                                    | Sponsors and houses health clinic that provides free care   |
|                                   | Knitting        | Prayer Shawls   | Knitting of Prayer Shawls   |
| Bristol – St. John of the Cross   | School Supplies | BACKpack TO SCHOOL  | Proceeds benefit local charities  |
|                                   | Road Race       | Pumpkin Chase 10K & 5K                                    |   |
| Crown Point – St. Christopher's   | Food            | Food Pantry   | Collects for other local pantries   |
|                                   | Clothing        | Harbor Mission  | Collects to assist Good Shepherd, East Chicago  |
|                                   | Transportation  | Transportation  | Parishioners volunteer to drive people to church  |
| Culver – St. Elizabeth's          | Food            | Food Pantry   | Contributes to local food bank  |
|                                   | School          | Student Support   | Prepares Culver Academy students for confirmation   |
|                                   | Emergency       | Financial Support   | Contributes to pool run by local churches for financial emergencies   |
|                                   | Children        | Boys & Girls Club   | Brotherhood of St. Andrew chapter raises funds for this organization.   |
| East Chicago – Good Shepherd      |                 | Harbor Mission  |   |
| Elkhart – St. David's             | Food            | Community Supper  | Soup supper on first Wednesday of each month.   |
| Elkhart – St. John the Evangelist | Food            | Food Pantry   | Distributes food to those in need, partners with Food Bank and others   |
|                                   | Pastoral        | Flower Delivery   | Deliver flowers to parishioners who are ill   |
|                                   | World Mission   | Honduras  | Sponsors two Honduran orphans   |
|                                   | School Supplies | Backpacks for School                                      | Donates school supplies to students in local elementaries   |
| Fort Wayne – Grace                | Knitting        | Prayer Shawl  | Distributed locally, nationally, and internationally  |
|                                   | Health          | Health Ministries   |   |
|                                   | Health          | Eldercare Fair  | Fair staffed by local experts on how to care for elderly  |
|                                   | Homeless        | Interfaith Hospitality Network                            | Local churches rotate to provide overnight accommodations   |
|                                   | Health          | Charis House  | Sunday school supports home for pregnant teens & young women  |
|                                   | Food            | Community Harvest   | Collects for this national food bank  |
|                                   | Farming         | Heifer Foundation   | Sunday school collects financial support to assist farms overseas   |
| Health                            | Matthew 25      | Local churches support doctors who give care to the needy |   |
| Fort Wayne – St. Alban's          | Food            | Food Pantry   | Distributes food to those in need with local partners. Holds food drives.   |
|                                   | Orphans         | Our Little Roses  |   |
|                                   | Health          | Matthew 25  | Supports orphan in Honduras   |
|                                   | World Mission   | 30 Hour Famine  | Local churches support doctors who give care to the needy via all loose quarters in Sunday offering going to this charity<br>Youth fast for 30 hours and learn about hunger worldwide |

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|  | Clothing<br>Ecumenical                                  | A Baby's Closet<br>Weekly Religious Ed  | Local charity that churches support with clothing donations<br>Funds from Lenten Mite Boxes fund local area churches' group education efforts.   |
| Fort Wayne – Trinity                     | Pastoral<br>Knitting                                    | Stephen Ministry<br>Prayer Shawl  | Participation in this ministry of listening<br>Knits prayer shawls, caps for infants and chemo patients  |
| Gary – St. Augustine's                   | School Supplies   | Backpacks for School  | Donates school supplies to students in local elementaries  |
| Goshen – St. James'                      | Holiday<br>Food   | Angel Tree of Giving<br>Food Pantry   |  |
| Griffith – St. Timothy's                 | Mission<br>Food   | Companeros En Christo<br>Food Pantry  | Supports Companion Diocese projects<br>Distributes foodstuffs from Second Harvest with support from Lions' Club  |
| Huntington – Christ the King             | Day Care  | Little Blessings  | Parish houses/supports this ministry, uses some federal aid for food, tuition.   |
| Kokomo – St. Andrew                      | Food<br>Food<br>Mentoring<br>Organization               | Community Food Pantry<br>Community Breakfast<br>McKinley Partnership<br>Kokomo Urban Outreach | Donations support local food pantries and rescue center.<br>Free breakfast to those in need on Saturday mornings.<br>Offers tutoring and music instruction to students at local school.<br>Local churches work to assist as community centers of hope/resources.<br>Serve as a "Neighborhood of Hope" in this program. |
|  | Homeless<br>Rehab<br>Food<br>World Mission              | C.A.M.<br>Gilead House<br>Meals on Wheels<br>Missionary Support                               | Supports work of this local day shelter in Howard County.<br>Supports work of local home for single mothers who have addictions.<br>Supports work of this charity.<br>Provides support of four missionary families abroad.   |
| LaPorte – St. Paul's                     | Day Care<br>Food  | St. Paul's Preschool<br>Shared Meal   | Parish houses/supports a preschool.<br>Serves meal on 3rd Wednesday of each month to those in need.  |
| Logansport – Trinity                     | Food<br>School Supplies                                 | Loaves & Fishes<br>School Supply Giveaway   | Mid-day meal on last Saturday of month to those in need.<br>Backpacks with supplies distributed to those in need.  |
| Marion – Gethsemane                      | Reconciliation<br>Food<br>Food                          | Reconcilers, Inc.<br>Food Pantry<br>Lunch Box   | Participation in national organization's seminars<br>Donations forwarded to Grant County Rescue Mission<br>Host community meal last two Sundays of each month  |
| Michigan City – St. Andrew's-by-the-Lake | World Mission   | Back to Back Ministries   | International ministry dedicated to orphans and the needy  |
| Michigan City – Trinity                  | Food<br>Road Race<br>Knitting<br>Music<br>Civic Service | Food Pantry<br>Hopkins 4K<br>Peacework<br>Children's Choir<br>Trinity De-trashers             | Distribution of food to those in need<br>Proceeds benefit breast cancer research<br>Quilting ministry<br>Free choir for children aged 4-12. Sacred & secular music<br>Remove litter from city blocks surrounding parish church   |
| Mishawaka – St. Paul's                   | Food  | Food Pantry   | Distribution of food to those in need, forward surplus to community bank   |

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|                                       | Organization     | Help With Love, Inc.       | Community referral service for those seeking aid                          |
|                                       | School           | Homework Help              | Homework help offered for high & middle school students weekly            |
|                                       | Pastoral         | Stephen Ministry           | Participation in this ministry of listening                               |
|                                       | Prison           | Companions on the Journey  | Sponsor ex-inmate in rehabilitation process                               |
|                                       | Infants/Mothers  | Hannah's House             | Provide volunteers to this home for unwed mothers                         |
|                                       | World Mission    | Operation Christmas Child  | Participation in this international ministry of gift giving               |
|                                       | Food             | Thanksgiving Baskets       | Distribution of baskets of food to those in need                          |
|                                       | AIDS             | Marifiki                   | Support of orphanage in Kenya for children affected by HIV/AIDS           |
| Munster – St. Paul's                  | Infants/Mothers  | Cradle N' All              | Ministry to help new mothers care for their babies                        |
|                                       | Homeless         | Warming Shelter            | Support of City Rescue Mission of Hammond                                 |
|                                       | Alzheimers       | Memory Walk                | Support of annual walk in Merrillville, IN                                |
| Plymouth – St. Thomas'                | World Mission    | Companion Diocese          | Support of Missionary to the Church in Honduras                           |
|                                       | Hispanic Mission | Santo Tomas                | Spanish-language congregation   |
| Rensselaer – St. Peter's              |                  |                            |   |
| South Bend – Cathedral                | Food             | CROP Walk                  | Participation in this annual walk to eradicate hunger                     |
|                                       | Housing          | Habitat for Humanity       | Participation in this international home-building charity                 |
|                                       | Homeless         | Home Rescue Mission        | Support for local shelter   |
|                                       | Homeless         | Refugee Assistance         | Assisting refugees in the local area                                      |
|                                       | Infants/Mothers  | St. Margaret's House       | Day shelter for women and children  |
|                                       | General          | Shortcakes on Blacktop     | Annual strawberry festival. Proceeds go to local charities                |
|                                       | Prison           | Compassion Jail Ministry   |   |
| South Bend – Holy Trinity             | Food             | Community Garden           | Raise produce in garden on church grounds. Distribute to neighborhood     |
|                                       | Knitting         | Prawl Shawl Ministry       | Knitting of prayer shawls   |
|                                       | Knitting         | Seaman's Church Institute  | Knitting hats, scarves, etc for mariners                                  |
|                                       | Knitting         | Warm Up America            | Knitting afghans for donation   |
| South Bend – St. Michael & All Angels | Prison           | Dismas House               | Supports half-way house for ex-prisoners                                  |
|                                       | Budgeting        | Financial Peace University | Offers this class in budgeting for those struggling with debt and finance |
|                                       | Outreach         | Neighbors For Christ       | Projects to meet those in neighborhood                                    |
|                                       | Pastoral         | Stephen Ministry           | Participation in this ministry of listening                               |
|                                       | World Mission    | Ugandan Orphans            | Bracelets made and sold to support orphans in Uganda                      |
| Syracuse – All Saints                 |                  |                            |   |
| Valparaiso – St. Andrew's             | Adult Ed         | Valparaiso Adult Learning  | Volunteers assist at this GED program                                     |
|                                       | Food             | Food Pantry                | Donations are forwarded to local community-wide pantry                    |
|                                       | Cooperation      | Sharefest                  | Local churches combine annually to perform an outreach project            |
|                                       | Child Care       | Hilltop Neighborhood House | Donations given to this local child care program                          |
|                                       | Women            | Alice's House              | Half-way house for women in a 12-step program                             |

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| Civic Service   | Red Cross              | Blood drives  |
| Education       | Kids Alive             | Donations to support scholarships for orphans internationally |
| Clothing        | Mitten Tree            | Winter clothing donated to local charities                    |
| Holiday         | Angel Tree             | Gifts given to children in need a local elementary school     |
| School Supplies | School Supply Giveaway | Backpacks with supplies distributed to those in need.         |

Warsaw – St. Anne's

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| Homeless | Project Refuge   | Joint project with local churches to provide shelter |
| Pastoral | Stephen Ministry | Participation in this ministry of listening          |

[If you would like to contact a parish and participate in or donate to one of their projects, please click here for a directory listing.](#)