

# YOU'RE INVITED TO \_\_\_\_\_ **FIGHT GLOBAL HUNGER**

Our St. John Fisher community has embarked on the Helping Hands project, a fun, educational, inspirational, and tangible way for us to answer Jesus's call to love our neighbor. In partnership with Catholic Relief Services and Rise Against Hunger, Helping Hands provides us the mechanism to serve our neighbors in two ways: we will package **10,000 meals** to provide immediate hunger relief in Burkina Faso, West Africa; and, we will fund income-generating projects to prevent hunger to make a lasting change in the lives of the poor.

We ask you to prayerfully consider extending a helping hand to your neighbor in one *or more* of these ways:

- Mark your calendar to help at the food packaging event (you do not need to commit to the entire time):  
Saturday, April 6 at St. John Fisher Church (Morning-Midday timing, pending CRS confirmation)
- Get tickets to attend our Helping Hands Community Coffee House on Saturday, March 2 from 6:30-9 pm in the Church Hall. Enjoy the talent of parishioners and local musicians; sample local beer, wine or soda; enjoy delicious snacks; bid on silent auction prizes from The Bushnell, It's So Ranunculus, Hartford Yard Goats, Essex Riverboat Cruise, Thomas Hooker, KidCity Museum...and more!! (Do you want to perform? Have an item to donate?)
- Try your luck with tickets for our themed basket raffle. Tickets will be sold at Faith Formation on 2/12, after all three Masses 2/23-24, and at the Coffee House event on 3/2, or use the order form below.
- Become a Helping Hands Sponsor in three nourishing levels:  
*Appetizer (\$25 sponsorship)*      *Entrée (\$50 Sponsorship)*      *Dessert (\$100 Sponsorship)*
- Buy a Helping Hands t-shirt, designed by senior Ellie Packer. Order at [www.stjfchurch.org](http://www.stjfchurch.org) or via order form.
- Support our Monks' Bread and Biscotti fundraiser after all Masses on 2/23-24 and 3/16-17, or order below.

## **EMBODY CHRIST'S LOVE**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ will serve our neighbors by supporting the Helping Hands project.

Contact: \_\_\_\_\_ (Phone Number) \_\_\_\_\_ (E-Mail)

\_\_\_\_ I/we will help package meals on April 6. All ages welcome! Number of people attending: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_ I/we will sponsor the Helping Hands project (please circle one): Appetizer (\$25) Entrée (\$50) Dessert (\$100)

*Sponsorship recognition will appear in the bulletin, at the Coffee House event, and in the RiverEast. Dessert sponsorship includes two tickets to 3/2 Coffee House.*

\_\_\_\_ Yes! I/we will come enjoy the Coffee House on Saturday, March 2 (tickets will be held at the door in your name):

\_\_\_\_ enter # of tickets with wine or beer sampling: \$20 per person. Total: \$\_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_ enter # of tickets without alcohol: \$10 per person. Total: \$\_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_ Ordering \_\_\_\_\_ basket raffle tickets: \$2 for one ticket, \$5 for five tickets, \$10 for fifteen tickets. Total order: \$\_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_ Please order me a Helping Hands t-shirt. Sizes S-XXXL at \$20 each. Size(s): \_\_\_\_\_ Total: \$\_\_\_\_\_

**Mouth-Watering Monks' Bread and Biscotti!** To support this fundraiser, we're asking for a prayerful donation per item:

**\$8 Breads:** \_\_\_\_ White \_\_\_\_ Whole Wheat \_\_\_\_ Raisin Cinnamon \_\_\_\_ Cranberry \_\_\_\_ Maple Cinnamon \_\_\_\_ Rye \_\_\_\_ Multigrain

**\$10 Biscotti:** \_\_\_\_ Sea Salt Caramel \_\_\_\_ Dark Chocolate Chip \_\_\_\_ Cranberry Orange \_\_\_\_ Maple Pecan \_\_\_\_ Lemon Ginger \_\_\_\_ Anise Almond

Please include cash or check to St. John Fisher and drop off in collection basket, church office, or mailbox on side of church.



Photo by Michael Shaker/CRS

## JOIN US TO FIGHT GLOBAL HUNGER!

### PACKAGE MEALS FOR WEST AFRICA WITH CRS HELPING HANDS

Our goal is to package **10,000** meals to send to vulnerable people in Burkina Faso. In addition, a portion of the funds raised through our event will go toward projects that promote lasting change for the poor overseas.

**DATE**  
Saturday, April 6

**TIME**  
TBD Morning-Midday

**LOCATION**  
St. John Fisher Church

**CONTACT**  
Jen O'Neill or Barbara Meyer

295-0756 (Barbara) 295-8841 (Jen)  
dembkm@comcast.net (Barbara)

Visit [helpinghands.crs.org](http://helpinghands.crs.org)

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## Basket Raffle

Buy tickets for your chance to win a themed basket!

**Family Game Night**

**Movie Night**

**Spa**

**Beach Day**

**Pet Lovers**

Tickets prices:

\$2 for one ticket

\$5 for five tickets

\$10 for fifteen tickets



Helping Hands T-Shirt

**THOSE WHO ARE NOURISHED BY THE BREAD OF CHRIST CANNOT REMAIN INDIFFERENT TO THOSE WHO DO NOT HAVE THEIR DAILY BREAD.**

—Pope Francis

