

EDUCATION

St. Martha's Hall—Opening January 3, 2022

St. Martha's new drop in center is at 4733 Mattis Road, 63128; (314) 487-2062 Drop-in center (314) 533-1313 Shelter. Hours of Operation: Monday-Friday 10am – 4pm No appointment is necessary and all services are free of charge. *St. Martha's Hall and serves women and children impacted by domestic violence by providing shelter and resources. St. Martha's provides unconditional advocacy services in a safe, compassionate, supportive, and residential environment. Advocates will be available during the drop-in hours to provide services and support to anyone impacted by domestic violence, seeking resources and information, or wanting to learn more about healthy relationships. The **Women's Program includes:** Crisis intervention & support services; remote access to apply for orders of protection; safety planning; referrals to community agencies (housing assistance, shelter, legal, etc.); and information and support for family and friends. The **Children's Program includes:** Learning center; daily living skills; safety planning; emotional regulation skills; parenting support; and community resources.*

“Open wide your door to the one who comes. Open your soul, throw open the depths of your heart to see the riches of simplicity, the treasures of peace, the sweetness of grace. Open your heart and run to meet the Sun of eternal light that illuminates all men.”

St. Ambrose of Milan



Love in Action

Our PSR Community and Annunciation parishioner support have been so very generous this year. Thanks to the generosity of so many we were able to donate over 100+ winter kits for the homeless to the Saint Patrick Center. We



also donated a large collection of food items to the Saint Vincent De Paul food pantry who sent a thank you note remarking that they could not believe how much food we were able to provide for those in need. We are so blessed to have such an amazing and supportive PSR and parish community!



Celebrating the Sacraments

Keeping the Sacraments at the center of our life in Christ, the PSR community has been able to gather together on several evenings to celebrate Mass and reconciliation. Last month PSR students lead us in the various liturgical roles during a PSR Thanksgiving Mass. In December our 3rd-8th Graders celebrated the Sacrament of Reconciliation to prepare our hearts for the season of Advent. On December 8 we were blessed to join the parish community at Mass to celebrate the Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception. It has been a beautiful month of sharing with the children and families how important the Eucharist and all of the Sacraments are so we can grow in our relationship with Christ and his Church. Mary, Mother of God and the Church, pray for us.

We wish you and your families a blessed end to the Advent season, a very Merry Christmas, and a Happy New Year!

GET CONNECTED: For more information about our PSR Ministry, please contact **Ann Kelly**, PSR Coordinator, at PSR@goannunciation.com.

To Know Him

To Love Him

To Serve Him