

H.O.M.E. Project September 2010

To sign up please call Roby & Debbie Ishii 253-854-4776

Dear Fellow Parishioners,

It is time once again for us to answer the call to care for the least of our brothers. The H.O.M.E. Project (Homeless Outreach Mobilization Project) has been a part of our parish outreach every February for many years now and we have just been asked to host this September also.

The H.O.M.E. Project is conducted in concert with Catholic Community Services but is fully operated by volunteers like you and me. Each month a Host Church provides leadership and shelter for the housing of about 30 homeless men in our community. A Support Church provides food, supplies and volunteers. Holy Spirit has volunteered to Host for September and provide support (**meals**) for the week of the **8th thru the 15th**. Catholic Community Services provides Human Services Case Management for the program. What this involves is providing overnight staff to supervise our guests and screening of the homeless men who sign up for the project.

With your participation each year this project has been a rousing success. For those of you who have not had the opportunity to participate yet, here's an idea of the commitment. **All we're asking of you is to sign up to help supply and serve one night dinner during the week of the 8th thru the 15th**. You will cook and serve the dinner, pack lunches for the men to take with them the following day and then clean up and go home with the feeling that you have really made a difference. You can sign up as a family or group or we love matching up people to work together, this can be an opportunity to meet new friends in the Holy Spirit family.

For those who can't contribute their time and talent we always have a great need for your treasure. Though we have wonderful gleaners who supply us with many things we always still need to buy some supplies. **A cash donation would be much appreciated and well spent.**

Please prayerfully consider participating in the H.O.M.E. Project and keep the project in your prayers.

If you have any questions please contact Roby or Debbie Ishii at 253-854-4776, please leave a message if no one is home.

Grace and Peace to you,

Roby and Debbie Ishii
H.O.M.E. Project Coordinators

Time Commitment – The time it takes to prepare, serve and clean up. At the church by 8:15 p.m. and leave no later than 10 p.m.

Type of food – I would suggest whatever you would serve a large number of guests in your home. After all they are guests in our home Church.

Our Guests – These men have been screened and accepted by CCS.

Supervision – Each evening there will be a HOME Project supervisor present to assist you and CCS staff to work with the men.