# CHICAGO MISSION DAYS

**Go. Do not be afraid. Serve.**Pope Francis to Young People in WYD 2013



#### **BASIC INFO**

- Chicago mission days are a day of service at the city. Eighth graders and High school students are welcome. Middle school students can join us with their parents or an adult chaperone.
- Mission days include Mass, service in three or four mission sites, and the opportunity to go deep into the experience through sharing or a cine-forum.
- There is a \$35 registration fee which includes a mission cross, breakfast, lunch and dinner, as well as the mission staff and supplies needed in the different mission sites.
- Missionaries are required to wear a Mission Youth t-shirt or hoodie. If so desired, these can be bought during the registration process and will be given out the day of the mission.
- The registration form is located here: <u>missionyouthchicago.com/day-missions-registration</u>
- The mission starts at the Convent of the Missionaries of Charity and finishes at a location in the City to be determined (December) or at a location in the North shore to be determined (March). Transportation from site to site is provided by volunteer parents.

#### **MISSION SITES INFO**

**Grace Place:** The Homeless Ministry at the First United Methodist Church of Chicago serves a meal to between 150-200 guests each Saturday at Grace Place. At Grace Place, volunteers help with registration of guests, kitchen support, serving the meal, clothing donations, etc. <a href="http://www.chicagocares.org/hungerreferrals">http://www.chicagocares.org/hungerreferrals</a>

**Missionaries' of Charity Soup kitchen:** We'll be preparing and serving breakfast for about 60 guests, along with the Missionaries of Charity (Mother Teresa's Sisters).

Mobile Pantry with the Franciscans of the Eucharist at the Mission of Our Lady of the Angels: The Mission of Our Lady of the Angels establishes a Catholic presence in the West Humboldt Park area on Chicago's west side, one of the poorest neighborhoods in Chicago. The purpose of the Mission is twofold: to assist the materially poor and to share the treasure of our Catholic Faith. The Mission currently provides fresh produce, non-perishable food, clothing, and household goods to about 250 families each month at the Mobile Pantry. <a href="http://www.missionola.com/">http://www.missionola.com/</a>

**Blessed Sacrament Youth Center:** We offer homework assistance, sports such as basketball, floor hockey and volleyball, arts and crafts, computer lab, dance and other recreational activities for youth ages 7 to 18. <a href="http://www.bsyc.org/programming/">http://www.bsyc.org/programming/</a>

Scavangelizer: Scavenger hunt in Millennium Park – with an Evangelizing touch!

**Feed my Starving Children:** Feed My Starving Children is a Christian non-profit organization committed to feeding God's children hungry in body and spirit. The approach is simple: children and adults handpack meals specifically formulated for malnourished children, and we ship these meals to our distribution partners. FMSC meals have reached nearly 70 countries around the world in our history. http://www.fmsc.org/

#### **MISSION PROGRAM**

\*\* This program is very likely but will be confirmed to the participants 15 days before the mission.

## Advent Mission: December 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2017

7:00 am Mass at the Convent of the Missionaries of Charity

Breakfast

Three groups:

7:45 am Soup Kitchen: Grace Place

8:00 am Soup Kitchen: Missionaries of Charity

8:30 am Mobile Pantry: Franciscans of the Eucharist

11:30 am Youth Center: Blessed Sacrament

Games and lunch

3:00 pm Scavangelizer at Millenium Park

4:30 pm Movie – The Human Experience – and dinner (@ a location in the City)

7:00 pm End of the mission

## Lent Mission: March 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2018

7:00 am Mass at the Convent of the Missionaries of Charity

Breakfast

Three groups:

7:45 am Soup Kitchen: Grace Place

8:00 am Soup Kitchen: Missionaries of Charity

8:30 am Mobile Pantry: Franciscans of the Eucharist

11:30 am Youth Center: Blessed Sacrament

Games and lunch

\*\* The kids from Blessed Sacrament will join us for the rest of the day.

2:00 pm Background service: Feed my Starving Children Libertyville

4:30 pm Movie – The Human Experience – and dinner (@ a location in the North shore)

7:00 pm End of the mission

## **MISSION SITES ADDRESS BOOK**

Missionaries of Charity Convent: 2325 W 24th Pl, Chicago, IL 60608

Grace Place: 637 S Dearborn St, Chicago, IL 60605

Missionaries of Charity Soup Kitchen: 115 N Oakley Blvd, Chicago, IL 60612

Franciscans of the Eucharist / Mission OLA: 3808 W. Iowa St., Chicago, IL 60651

Blessed Sacrament Youth Center: 3600 W Cermak Rd, Chicago, IL 60623

<u>Feed my Starving Children:</u> 742 East Park Avenue (Hwy 176), Libertyville, IL 60048 (behind Life Storage, use same parking entrance)

## **FURTHER INFORMATION**

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