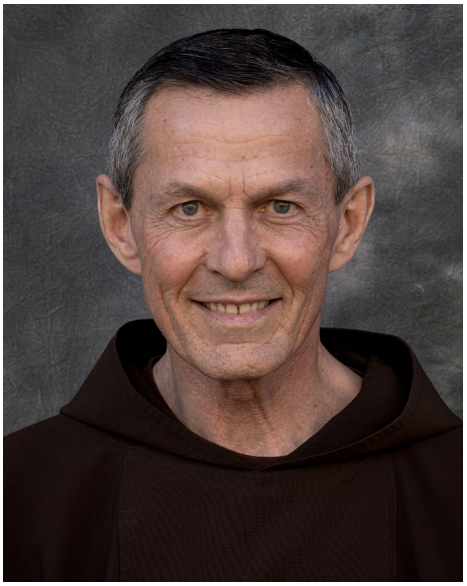
2024 Calendar

CAPUCHIN COMMUNITY SERVICES

Milwaukee
House of Peace
St. Ben's Community Meal



Father Michael Bertram,
OFM Capuchin
Ministry Director

Blessed 2024 from the Capuchin friars ministering
at Capuchin Community Services.
Left to right: Capuchin Brothers McLean Bennett, David Hirt, Carl Schaeffer,
Michael Bertram, Henryk Cisowski & Jerry Smith

Capuchin Community Services

Happy New Year to you all!

I hope that your holidays are blessed times for you, your family, and your loved ones.

At Capuchin Community Services, we are blessed because of your kindness and support of our ministries. We could not do what we do without your help! And my prayer for you in 2024 is that God will only reward you more richly than anything you or I can imagine. It is God's promise to us because God will never be outdone in generosity. Whatever we offer to others is only rewarded a hundredfold, sixtyfold, and thirtyfold by God. God bless you throughout this new year for your own great service to the poor and needy.

Fr. Mike

Fr. Mike Bertram, Capuchin
Director, Capuchin Community Services

House of Peace Site

- Emergency Food Pantry
- Clothing Center
- Spiritual Care
- UW-M Community Health and Wellness Center – HOP
- Marquette Volunteer Legal Clinic
- Social Worker
- Empowerment Classes

1702 West Walnut Street
Milwaukee ● WI ● 53205
414.933.1300

St. Ben's Community Meal Site

- Serving every Sunday through Friday
- Prescription co-pays & medical appointment support
- Showers & Laundry
- Hygiene items (weekly)
- Assistance with IDs & Birth Certificates
- Custom-made eyeglasses every Wednesday

930 West State Street
Milwaukee ● WI ● 53233
414.271.0135

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Facebook.com/CapuchinCommunityServices
YouTube.com/CapuchinCommunityServicesOrg
www.CapuchinCommunityServices.org

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The Midwest Capuchins

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How to Volunteer

Capuchin Community Services is a site-specific, volunteer-driven ministry carrying out the works of mercy. Our two sites, the House of Peace and Saint Ben's Community Meal, have unique yet connected missions: to help families stay together, and to help people struggling with poverty and homelessness. Driving these ministries are our volunteers, people of good will who donate their time as they feel called. If you have a gift, an area of expertise you feel called to share, or want to respond to the most pressing needs, you are welcome. It happens just as often that people who come to serve discover gifts they didn't know they had.

We are committed to hosting guests and volunteers in a supportive, joyful, and safe environment. Your volunteer service might bring you in direct contact with our guests, or placed behind the scenes supporting the operations, or something in between. Let us discern this together! Sometimes the work is challenging, but you will never be left on your own – that's our faith-based commitment to everyone who comes to our sites. To serve safely, all volunteer applications are subject to a background check.

The following are volunteer opportunities currently available in our Capuchin Community Services programs.

St. Ben's Community Meal

- Staffing the meal prep stations
- Staffing the Meal Hall floor – clearing, re-setting, beverage service
- Special events and projects
- Apply to volunteer at: ofmcap.cc/StBensVolunteer
- Email: ccsvol@thecapuchins.org

St. Ben's Open Door Ministry:

- Shower Program – scheduling and tracking
- Laundry Ministry – scheduling and tracking
- Eyeglasses Ministry
- Barbershop Ministry
- Front Door office duty – welcoming & connecting guests to services & resources
- Apply to volunteer at: ofmcap.cc/StBensVolunteer
- Email: ccsvol@thecapuchins.org

The House of Peace:

- Clothing Closet - sorting and organizing clothes
- Emergency Food Pantry - stocking and organizing food items
- Eyeglasses Ministry
- Special events & projects
- Apply to volunteer at: ofmcap.cc/HouseOfPeaceVolunteers
- Email: ccsvol@thecapuchins.org

Our Mission: Inspired by the gospel of Jesus and the example of Francis of Assisi, the Capuchin friars of the Province of Saint Joseph, together with our partners in ministry, prayerfully build sister-brotherhood in the world. We attend simply and directly to the spiritual and other basic human needs, especially those of the poor and disenfranchised, promoting justice for all.

December 2023

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JANUARY 2024

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	1 New Year's Day *Capuchin Community Services' Sites Closed*	2	3	4	5	6
7 Epiphany	8	9	10	11	12	13
14	15 Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Day	16	17	18	19	20
21	22	23	24 Tu B'Shevat Begins	25 Tu B'Shevat Ends	26	27
28	29	30	31	**CALL TO ACTION:** ***Warm Winter Drive*** Please donate gently used or new adult or children's winter hats, gloves, clothing or sleeping bags. Deliver to either site. ofmcap.cc/CCS-WarmWinter		

PLEASE DO NOT LEAVE
DONATIONS OUTSIDE!
ATTENTION
ANY FOOD
DONATED
AFTER HOURS
WILL BE
DISCARDED
I WANT MY
MTV
MUSIC TELEVISION

January 2024

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CALL TO ACTION ***Lenten Hygiene Bag Drive:*** Some guests can't afford basic hygiene supplies. Hold a hygiene bag drive this month. We'll provide the free bags with suggested items printed on the front. Deliver to either site. ofmcap.cc/CCS-HygieneBags				1	2	3
4	5	6 Isra and Mi'raj Begins	7 Isra and Mi'raj Ends	8	9	10
11	12	13	14 Ash Wednesday *Lent Begins* St. Valentine's Day	15	16	17
18	19 Presidents' Day	20	21	22	23	24 Laylat al Barat Begins
25 Laylat al Barat Begins	26	27 55th Anniversary House of Peace	28	29		

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		CALL TO ACTION: ***Easter Meal Drive:*** Please consider donating an Easter Meal for a family. Deliver to either site. ofmcap.cc/CCS-EasterMeal			1	2
3	4	5	6	7	8	9
10 Daylight Savings Begins Ramadan Begins	11	12	13	14	15	16
17 Saint Patrick's Day	18	19 Spring Begins	20	21	22	23 Purim Begins
24 Palm Sunday Purim Ends 31 Easter Sunday	25	26	27	28 Holy Thursday	29 Good Friday *Capuchin Community Services' Sites Closed*	30 Holy Saturday

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March 2024

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7	8 Ramadan Ends	9 Eid al-Fitr Begins	10 Eid al-Fitr Ends	11	12	13
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21	22 Passover Begins	23	24	25	26	27
28	29	30 Passover Ends				

CALL TO ACTION:

Strong Babies Sanctuary/Blanket of Love Collection

We are collecting infant formula, bedding, layettes and bassinets.

We also need disposable diapers and baby wipes.

Deliver to either site.

ofmcap.cc/CCS-BabyCare

TRAIL ETIQUETTE REMINDER
CARRY IN
CARRY OUT
CAPUCHIN
WALK
FOR THE HUNGRY

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CALL TO ACTION: ***Join us for the Capuchin Walk for the Hungry*** Join over 1,000 walkers at Polish Fest as we raise funds to help Capuchin Community Services provide food to people struggling with hunger. www.CapuchinWalk.org			1	2	3	4
5	6	7	8	9	10	11
12 Mother's Day	13	14	15	16	17	18
19 Pentecost	20	21	22	23	24	25
26	27 Memorial Day *Capuchin Community Services' Sites Closed*	28	29	30	31	

POLISH FEST
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WALK
FOR THE HUNGRY
JUNE 9, 6PM

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CALL TO ACTION: ***Join us for the Capuchin Walk for the Hungry*** Online registration is now closed. You can still register at Polish Fest's main gate on Friday, June 14, 2024. Capuchin Walk registration table opens at 5 PM on the main plaza outside the main gate. ofmcap.cc/CapWalk						1
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9	10	11 Shavout Begins	12	13 Shavout Ends	14 Capuchin Walk for the Hungry at Polish Fest 6:00 PM	15
16 Father's Day Eid Al-Adha Begins	17 Eid Al-Adha Ends	18	19 Juneteenth	20 Summer Begins	21	22
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JULY 2024

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28	29	30 Bl. Solanus Casey Feast Day	31	**CALL TO ACTION :** ***Help Children Succeed*** Please consider donating a backpack and/or some school supplies. Deliver new school supplies to either site. ofmcap.cc/SchoolSuccess		

The Capuchins'
RUN-WALK
FOR THE
HUNGRY
Top Ladies of Distinction, Inc.
Milwaukee Chapter
Community Beautification
YARD RECOGNITION AWARD
2023
House of Peace Vegetable Garden
2023 Garden Recognition Award
Top Ladies of Distinction, Inc.
Milwaukee Chapter
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YARD RECOGNITION AWARD
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	CALL TO ACTION: ***Harvest Time Is Starting*** If you planted a garden, please consider donating produce. Our guests love to take fresh fruits & veggies home. Deliver to either site. ofmcap.cc/CCS-GardenHarvest			1	2	3
4	5 Al-Hijra/ Muharram Ends	6	7	8	9	10
11	12 Fast of Tisha B'av Begins	13 Fast of Tisha B'av Ends	14	15 Feast of the Assumption	16	17
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8	9	10	11 National Day of Service & Remembrance	12	13	14 Volunteer Appreciation Luncheon 11AM-1PM
15	16	17	18	19	20	21
22	23 Feast of Saint Padre Pio	24	25	26	27	28
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CALL TO ACTION:

Volunteers Needed to Help Register Families:

Thousands from both Capuchin Community Services' sites will register to receive holiday aid. Volunteers are needed Mon-Fri, 9am - 3pm for 1 week or more in October. Training provided. To volunteer, register online or call 414.933.1300, ext. 1123.

ofmcap.cc/HouseOfPeaceVols

House of Peace Site
Emergency Food Pantry:
Monday to Friday
St. Ben's Community Me
Front Door Ministry:
Dinner
Sunday to Thursday
Lunches to go:

CAPUCHIN
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Milwaukee
House of Peace
St. Ben's Community Meal

September 2024

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13	14 National Indigenous Peoples Day	15	16 Sukkot Begins	17	18	19
20	21	22 Fall Begins	23 Sukkot Ends	24	25	26
27	28	29	30	31 Halloween	**CALL TO ACTION:** ***Holiday Food Box Drives Begin*** Help feed a family this Thanksgiving or Christmas. Set up a drive by calling 414.933.1300, ext. 1151 or register online. ofmcap.cc/CCS-HolidayDrives	

GOOD
VIBES
ONLY

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NOVEMBER 2024

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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	CALL TO ACTION: ***Be A Saint! Holiday Help Needed*** Volunteers needed to sort food and distribute to our guests. Volunteers are needed Monday through Friday, 9 AM - 3 PM. Call 414.933.1300, ext. 1123 or visit ofmcap.cc/HolidayVolunteers				1 All Saints' Day	2 All Souls' Day
3 Daylight Savings Ends	4	5	6	7	8	9
10	11 Veterans' Day	12	13 *54th Anniversary St. Ben's Community Meal*	14	15	16
17	18	19	20	21	22	23
24	25	26	27	28 Thanksgiving *St. Ben's Community Meal serves 12-1:30 pm House of Peace Site Closed*	29 *St. Ben's Community Meal Site Closed*	30

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1 Advent Begins	2	3	4	5	6	7
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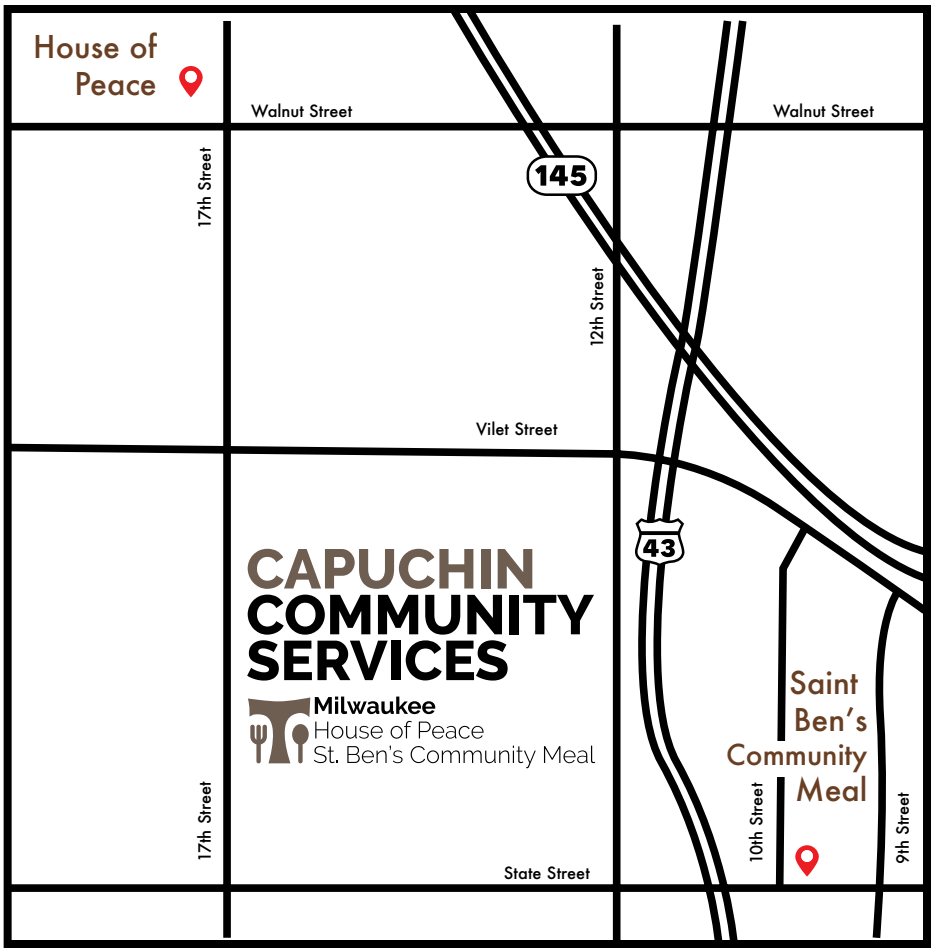
15	16	17	18	19	20	21 Winter Begins
22	23	24 Christmas Eve *St. Ben's Community Meal serves 12-1:30 pm* *House of Peace Site Closed*	25 Christmas Day Hanukkah Begins *Capuchin Community Services' Sites Closed*	26	27	28
29	30	31 New Year's Eve				

CALL TO ACTION:
Christmas Toy Drives Begin
Can you donate new toys, books or winter clothing? Deliver to either site.
ofmcap.cc/HolidayToys

If we are not the Church of the poor, we are not the Church of Jesus Christ.

- Br. Booker Ashe,
OFM Capuchin,
Founder,
House of Peace