

Homeless Shelter (Daybreak): Revised on June 15, 2009

Mission: The Daybreak Ministry of St. Mary Parish meets the physical and social needs of homeless people in our area, by preparing and serving two well-balanced meals at Joliet's Daybreak Center on the fourth Wednesday of every month. In sharing our time and energy, we put our faith into action in the spirit of Christian fellowship.



Organization: Daybreak volunteers are recruited from the parish at large, and a representative from this organization coordinates their schedule. Parishioners can volunteer to cook or serve the evening meal provided on the fourth Wednesday of each month. The cooks shop for and prepare the evening meal as well as provide food for breakfast the next morning. The servers serve the meal once it has arrived at Daybreak Center and clean up afterwards. Those who wish may spend time before the meal reading to or playing with the children, using materials that a designated volunteer brings from the parish office. A representative from this ministry serves on the Community-Service Commission.