

## SANDWICHES



By mid March, we all had heard the reports of the rapid spread of the virus and what our frontline healthcare workers would be facing with the expected flood of COVID-19 patients. And we wanted to find ways to help! When asked what would be helpful to them, local healthcare workers said they love good food that they can grab and go -- get back to caring for their patients. A new ministry was born: Sandwiches for

Saints. It had another benefit, too. Buying that good food from local restaurants would help them to stay open. And the good people of our community couldn't wait to support our healthcare workers and our local businesses!

Here's what happened:

- Fr. Bertie Pearson, Rector of Grace Episcopal Church, was the first person to say YES to the idea of Sandwiches for Saints! He offered Grace's website and administrative staff to collect and disburse the donations. Grace also spread the word about SFS through its e-weekly, Facebook page, website, and notices in The Sun. Grace member Marji Feller designed the SFS logo and flyer, which soon became the "door opener" at the hospitals.
- The Wilco Sun quickly responded to our idea and gave SFS tremendous coverage (3 articles) that alerted the folks of our community and advanced the cause of this ministry. Brad Stutzman, county reporter, made sure everyone knew what we were doing and how to contribute and participate.
- Contributions totaling \$26,500 provided 4,674 meals and around 1,250 kolaches/cupcakes/specialty cookies to the saints at St. David's Hospital Georgetown, Baylor Scott & White Hospital Round Rock, and Ascension Seton Hospital Williamson. All food was discounted by the vendors and some was outright donated by the vendor.
- Sixteen restaurants/food vendors participated in making (and some in delivering as well) good food for the saints: Jason's Deli \* Schlotzky's \* Pizza Hut \* Galaxy Cup Cakes \* Takavron Tacos Regios \* Chic-fil-a \* Mango Tango \* Brookwood in Georgetown \* Blue Corn Harvest GT \* Popeye's Louisiana Kitchen \* Thundercloud Subs \* Lark & Owl Bistro \* Monument Café \* Jada's Sweets \* Lone Star Kolaches \* Tiff's Treats. Becker Vineyards underwrote a meal delivery and Barking Armadillo Brewery assisted with several deliveries.
- Twenty volunteer individuals delivered meals and treats to the hospitals: Kay, Ginny, Addison, Kaden, Cid, John, Candy, Sam, Laura, Jay, Amanda, Babs, Jane, Chris, Denise, Laurie, Linda, Janet, Lynn, and Cindy.

WOW!

Thank you for being a part of Sandwiches for Saints!

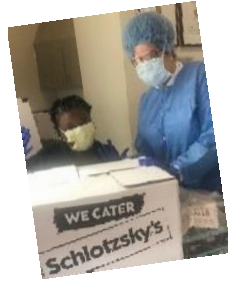
You are what makes this the caring community we all know it to be!

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Thank you for showing us the love with good food and your support!

