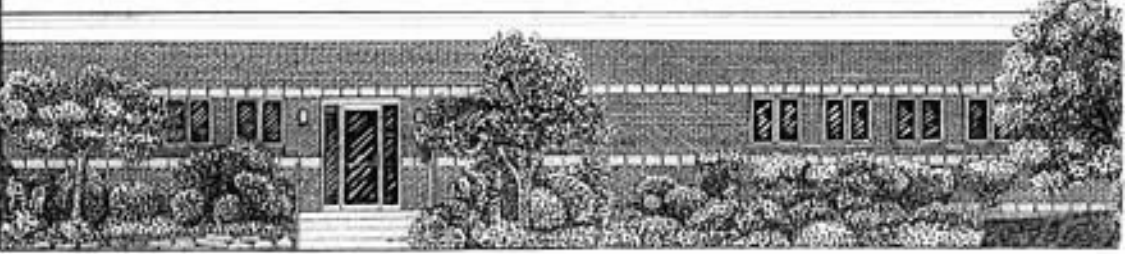




St. Malachi Center



New Program: Partners for Progress

We all get stuck: stuck in traffic, trapped in a contract, tripped up by bad decisions. Getting stuck means lost time, missed opportunities, and at times we despair that things will never go right again.

Our families at St. Malachi Center are no different. They have dreams for their families and careers, but sometimes they get stuck.



Jackie and Azaria Read Together

children ages 3-5 to create an extensive, eleven-week family literacy program.

By providing lunches, bus passes, CPR and First Aid training, and job counseling, Partners for Progress ensures both children and parents advance.

In addition to St. Malachi Center, Partners for Progress includes:

- Cleveland Reads,
- Catholic Charities Parent-Child Program,
- Cuyahoga Metropolitan Housing Authority,

- Lutheran Children's Aid & Family Services,
- Seeds of Literacy, and
- St. Malachi Church.

Partners for Progress is a pilot program. We are seeking funding to repeat this eleven week session and expand child care to include younger children.

Every family needs a boost at some point. When a stuck family comes to St. Malachi Center, God begins a good work. God uses Partners for Progress as a conduit to guide that good work to completion.

*My prayers for all of you are filled with joy because of your **partnership** in the Reign of God from the first day you heard about it. Joy springs from my confidence that God who began a good work in you will **progress until it's finished**, working night and day until our Savior returns. (Philippians 1:4-6)*



Good Books Make Kids Smile!

When parents get stuck, their kids are there, too. Partners for Progress combines a GED tutoring program with child care for

Save the Date!



2006

Thursday,
March 30th
6:00 pm

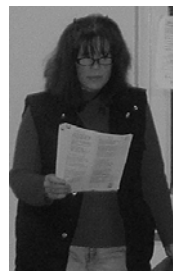
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Volunteers Light Up The Season

Volunteers Serve Christmas Breakfast to Our Homeless Friends



St. Ignatius High School Student Wraps Gifts to Hand Out During Santa's Visit



Volunteer Sings Carols



Santa Claus came to two events

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Volunteers Make 28 Days of Christmas



After School Kids with Santa's Presents



Volunteer Helps at Children's Boutique



Families Shared Food at the Potluck

Christmas began December 3rd at our first of nine Holiday events in December, the *Tree Decorating Party*. Many families came to sing carols, learn about the Advent Wreath, and eat cookies.

Santa came the next week to hand out bags of gifts to over 60 children in the *After School Program*. Some tie-wearing Elves from St. Ignatius High School helped package the sacks of goodies.

On December 17th, the children led the community for *Posadas*. We re-enacted the Holy Family's search for room in Bethlehem. Then we warmed up with a meal of delicious Latino food cooked by our *Women in Friendship*.

Volunteer Elves wrapped presents the next week. Our After School kids shopped at the *Children's Boutique*, and our parents selected new clothes, books, school supplies and toys at *Santa's Boutique*.

Tuesday, we shared a table of blessings at the *Pot Luck Dinner*. One warm-hearted volunteer brought her friends to set up, serve and clean up.

On Saturday, Dec. 23rd, some volunteers from the Community and Parish of St. Malachi Church prepared & served *Christmas Breakfast* to our regular *Shower* participants.

The *Teen Lock-In* on Dec. 30th wrapped up the holiday celebrations with cooking, writing poems, basket-

ball and a prayer service with Ed Suszynski, St. Malachi Church's Seminarian Intern.

Thank you, Volunteers!



Jawon & Alexis Enjoy the Potluck Dinner



Presents Ready for Our Center Children



Teens Pray with Seminarian at Lock-In

Share The Love

We know you are incredibly talented! That's why we want *you* to help with **Soup for the Soul!** Volunteer on March 30th:

- Transport Items to LaCentre
- Pick Up Soup
- Arrange & Set Up at LaCentre
- Raffle Helper (1.5 hour shifts)
- Clean Up Afterwards
- Transport Items To St. Malachi Center

To sign up call Pam Pulizzi at 216-941-5054



2006

Break Bread

When: March 30, 2006, 6:00pm
Where: Signature at LaCentre Banquet Facility, 25777 Detroit Rd., Westlake, OH
Cost: \$50 until 3/20 (\$30 deductible) \$60 after, until sold out (\$40 deduct)
Reservations: By March 17 to: Soup For The Soul c/o Plenzler 29648 Devonshire Oval Westlake, OH 44145
Questions? Please email SoupForTheSoul@StMalachiCenter.org or call 440-808-0455.



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Memorial Day Raffle



Be an ambassador for
St. Malachi Center.
Share our ministry.
Sell Raffle Tickets!

Grand Prize: \$10,000!
Second Prize: \$2,000!
Third Prize: \$500!
Seller's Prize: \$250!



Tickets cost \$20. All proceeds support programs at St. Malachi Center. Drawing held on Memorial Day. Buy a ticket for yourself, and sell them to your friends and co-workers! To buy or sell tickets, please call the Center at: (216) 771-3036.

Seder Meal
April 4



Celebrate Passover
and Jesus' Last
Supper with us

All ages welcome

14th Annual
GOLF OUTING

Friday, Sept 15
at Cherokee Hills
Valley City, OH



Registration table at
Soup for the Soul

Volunteer Appreciation Dinner



Belinda & Ginny Accept Certificates

In the process of inviting our volunteers to the Heartfelt Appreciation Dinner, we counted nearly 225 faithful volunteers! Fifty-two of them have volunteered at least five years (many have volunteered much longer).

Approximately 70 of these gracious people joined us for dinner on Tuesday, February 21st. The St. Malachi Center staff and friends and family of staff cooked and served (we could not ask our volunteers to serve themselves!)

There were Special Recognition Certificates for volunteers who served five years or more. Many of those who received this recognition have dedicated their time for much longer than five years.

Cathy Graham, the executive director, presented the certificates and a special volunteer prayer. Cathy talked about how we



Some Soup for the Soul volunteers

could not do what St. Malachi Center and Malachi Mart do without our volunteers. She commented on how a very special volunteer, Al O'Neill could not join us because he recently passed away. Cathy recalled how Mr. O'Neill drove all the way from Fremont to work with the shower program participants three times a week. She commented that many of our volunteers are so dedicated and we are grateful.



Special Recognition Volunteers:
5 Years of Service and more!



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Our Mission:

The ministry of St. Malachi Center is to nourish the families and youth of Cleveland's Near West Side in spirit, mind, and body and to support their self-development.



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Wish List

Kitchen Aluminum trays, dishrags, paper products (plates, cups, napkins), large zip lock bags, dish soap

Office Paper (copy, colored, resume), legal pads, post-it notes, CD-RW, storage boxes, 3 hole punches, glue, scissors and glitter

Youth Construction paper, safety scissors, basketballs, jump ropes and footballs

Sewing Fabric scissors, 1-in elastic, large women's size patterns, light weight interfacing.

Showers Spray Deodorant, combs, Vaseline, razors, tooth brushes, tooth paste, duffel bags, white socks

Teens Tickets for sporting and theatre events, Volunteers to speak on topics such as: employment, parenting, relationships, etc, Incentives gift or restaurant certificates as achievement rewards

General 55 gal. trash bags, cleanser, paper towels, liquid hand soap, hand sanitizer, cleaning supplies



Want to **GIVE MORE** to St. Malachi Center?

Your corporation may offer:

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In-kind Donations Event Sponsorship

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