

OUR DAILY BREAD OF BRADENTON

Humble stewards of other people's generosity and grateful courier of a stranger's kindness

KITCHEN HOURS

6:30am - Noon

LOAVES & FISHES

Mon & Fri 9 - 11am

MAY 2022

www.ourdailybreadofbradenton.org

NOW THEREFORE, OUR GOD, WE THANK YOU AND PRAISE YOUR GLORIOUS NAME.

1 CHRONICLES 29:13

OH GIVE THANKS TO THE LORD, FOR HE IS GOOD; FOR HIS STEADFAST LOVE ENDURES FOREVER!

1 CHRONICLES 16:34

The 2022 Giving Challenge was a huge success in helping make our mission a reality!

Thank you to all those that were able to participate in the event, it was a huge success. Donations reached \$13,190 and \$9,930 was matched for a grand total of \$23,120. AWESOME!! Many thanks to the Community Foundation of Sarasota for hosting the challenge and to The Patterson Foundation for matching all the donations up to \$100.

Some more good news is that we have now changed all of our lighting fixtures at Our Daily Bread from fluorescent bulbs to LEDs in early April. We hope that in the months to come we will see substantial savings on our electric bills which average about \$2,000 per month. Thank you to all that donated to this project and especially to B&E Signaling and Lighting who did the work after hours so as not to disrupt our daily operations.

Here's another big shout out to all of our volunteers!! In 2021 we had total volunteer time of approximately 14,000 hours which equates to 38 hours per day 364 days last year. That's an amazing number and we could not do it without our volunteers. It shows what a caring community we live in.

I hope everyone has a wonderful summer.

God Bless,
MARK E. MCLAUGHLIN



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DIRECTOR'S NOTES

People sometimes like to share their thoughts about the plight of the needy with me. One thing I always suggest is "Do not hand money to the pan handler on the corner." They seem to be taken aback by that statement.

I will share with you why, and even give you the Do's and Don'ts shared with me by a long time professional pan handler.

Prime importance is the location. You want a long light where cars are at least five or six deep waiting for the light to change, preferably two lanes. You don't want to look directly at individuals in the car just stand there looking pathetic. Guilt will get too many of them and they will roll down the window and hand you money. If the location is great often two buddies will take turns at the location while the other goes for lunch, or to the bathroom or whatever, that way they will not lose their prime spot. Split shift is the word.

Attire is important. Wear old clothing washed a lot but not dirty and scruffy old shoes. A couple days beard growth is good but not a Smith Brother's foot long beard. No logo's on your apparel and especially not a baseball cap. No Michigan logo for them the Ohioan will not give you money and vice versa. Do not use your cell phone or smoke

because people know if you are really hungry you could buy food vs. a I-Phone 13 or cigarettes.

Signage is important. Always use an old piece of cardboard, be sure to print clearly, a black marker is best. Avoid specific like Veteran or God in your sign, try to be generic "Need Food" is always good.

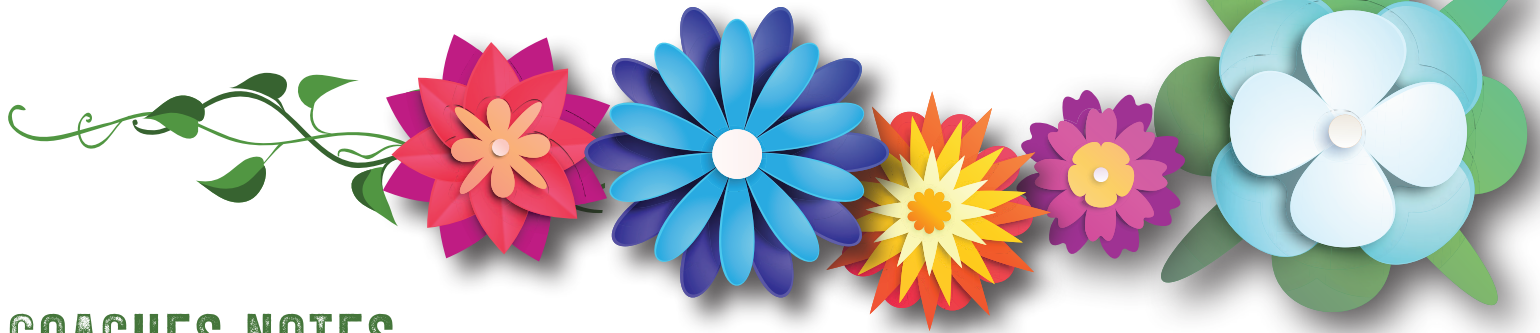
When you receive money from that hand stuck out the window always say "God Bless You" or "Thank You". Now the driver's guilt is assuaged they feel that they have done a good deed.

Any good pan handler worth his salt can clear a minimum of \$100.00 dollars a day, not a bad days pay for working only a few hours during prime drive time, plus it's tax free.

The suggestion here is if you want to really help those in need please donate to any local 501 (c) (3) charity, they are not for profit organizations working daily to provide for those who are dealing with real life needs. Like, Our Daily Bread of Bradenton.

Thanking you in advance,

MONA HARTMANN



COACHES NOTES

We are blessed with people, food, and the facilities to serve a hot meal everyday to the hungry here at Our Daily Bread of Bradenton. The hungry are just people that are no different from anyone else. For whatever reason, they have found themselves in a bad situation, they may have had a difficult family past, they may have struggle with addiction, they may have made some poor choices, but, we are all Gods children and may need help at some point. We are so blessed to be able to provide that help. For almost 40 years Our Daily Bread of Bradenton has been serving that one hot meal everyday with the continual support from all of you.

The 2022 Giving Challenge was a great success this year, a sincere thank you to all that helped us reach our goal. We are excited to share with you that your gifts can still be matched through the Louis and Gloria Flanzer Philanthropy Trust. If interested please go to, flanzertrust.org be sure to mark it for Our Daily Bread of Bradenton in the choice of recipients box or mail a check to Flanzer Philanthropy Trust 1843 Floyd Street Sarasota, Florida 34239 marking it for Our Daily Bread

of Bradenton they will match only donations up to \$500.00 per month it is a wonderful way to double you gift to Our Daily Bread.

Loaves and Fishes is seeing over 100 shoppers per day and Britney and her great team of volunteers have been able to keep our shelves filled with fresh produce, frozen meats, canned foods, cereals, beans and rice. All our clients go home with all they can carry and grateful smiles on their faces.

We still are working on our parking lot across the avenue, moving a fence and filling in a low area. We finished painting the 1804 building and we are doing some work on the 705 building.

Have a Great Summer...

Thank you for your Time and Talent
Thank you for your Financial Support
Thank you for remembering us in your prayers

BOB EIKILL

ANGIE'S PANTRY NOTES

We are getting ready for "Lazy Days" of Summer.

I would like to thank all of our volunteers and staff that continue to help serve our community. We have been serving between 150 – 265 meals a day thanks to all of you! We can not do this without you.

If you can help or know of anyone that would like to volunteer please come join our team. Contact me at 941.745.2992 or email me at angie@ourdailybreadofbradenton.org

Sincerely,
ANGIE

**THANK YOU PENNY CLARK
AND RAUL AMAYA WITH FAST
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LOAVES & FISHES NOTES

Hello Summer, the best time of the year but sadly some of our Great Volunteers will be heading north back home for the Summer...Wishing you all Safe travels, you will be missed.

We have been very busy at Loaves and Fishes assisting our clients and stocking our shelves. Thanks to all of you for all your donations! A Special "Thank You" to Patty Buck and the Spanish Main Yacht Club INC. for the food drives you have done for Loaves and Fishes, we appreciate all donations and so do our clients. Thank You!

Our pantry is in need of the following items, infant formula, diapers sizes 4, 5 and 6, baby wipes, cereal and canned meats. All donations are so appreciated and can be delivered to Loaves and Fishes or to The Pantry. On behalf of our team and clients we sincerely thank you!

If you are interested in becoming a volunteer, please email me at britney@ourdailybreadofbradenton.org We have fun! I look forward to hearing from you.

Happy Summer,
BRITNEY

**THANK YOU PATTY BUCK
AND JOE D'EUGENIO
WITH SPANISH MAIN YACHT
CLUB INC.**



DID YOU KNOW...?

Did you know that Our Daily Bread of Bradenton now has a presence on Facebook?

Please help us build our social media presence by doing the following:

1. Visit us on Facebook@ourdailybreadbradenton
2. Like the page
3. Under "Following" tab, choose "See First" (instead of default)
4. Invite your family, friends and associates too.....

HOUSE NOTES...

We never Call asking for Donations

We Do Not use Professional Fund Raisers

We only use your Address for mailing Thank Yous and our Newsletter

We would like to establish an email data base for volunteer's information and setting up schedules. If you are interested in receiving our newsletter electronically (please be patient we are working on finalizing our list) and/or "what's happening" please email us at, [blessings@ourdailybreadofbradenton.org](mailto: blessings@ourdailybreadofbradenton.org)

The mission of Our Daily Bread is to provide for the nutritional needs of the poor and needy of our community in the context of compassion and affirmation of their human worth as children of God. We achieve this by providing a daily soup kitchen and food pantry.

EXTRA NOTES...

The True Gentlefolk are those whose conduct proceeds from goodwill and an acute sense of propriety, and whose self-control is equal to all emergencies; who does not make the poor person conscious of their poverty, the obscure person of their obscurity, or any person of their inferiority or deformity; who is humble if necessity compels them to humble another; who is not flatter wealth, cringe before power, or boast of their own possessions or achievements; who speaks with frankness but always with sincerity and sympathy; whose deed follows their word; who thinks of rights and feelings of others, rather than their own; who appears well in any company, a person with whom honor is sacred and virtue safe.

Author Unknown...

A Beautiful thought...❤️





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A SPECIAL THANK YOU

We are grateful for each dollar of financial support we receive. We strive to be good stewards of your generosity. We have limited space in our newsletter to acknowledge the gifts we receive and so we do send thank you notes to each donor. Our base support is from churches, individuals, community groups, businesses, estates, trusts, schools, and county government

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