



Why St. Anthony's Bread Box?

The tradition of St. Anthony's Bread began while the basilica in Padua was being built, a child fell into a barrel of water nearby and drowned. The child's mother called upon St. Anthony for help and promised to donate the child's weight in grain for the poor if the child were restored to life. Suddenly, a miracle occurred and the child arose. Centuries later, a young girl in France who managed a bakery, could not open the lock on the bakery's door, even with the help of a locksmith, so she prayed to St. Anthony and promised loaves of bread for the poor in exchange for his help. Her prayers were answered when the locksmith returned and the door was easily opened. Her shop became a center of devotion to St. Anthony, and the tradition of giving bread or alms to the poor in return for prayers answered by St. Anthony began. "St. Anthony's Bread" is now a charity practiced worldwide as a way for people to emulate the spirit of the saint by feeding the hungry.

Pantry Staples We Are Committed To Carry

Chicken

Tuna

Spam

Chili

Fruit

Chunky soup

Beans: canned and dry

Hamburger Helper

Peanut Butter and Jelly

Corn

Mashed potatoes

Mac and cheese

Spaghetti

Spaghetti sauce

Tomato sauce

Canned Pasta

Fideo

Oatmeal and Cereal

Rice

Ramen Noodles

Green beans

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St. Anthony de Padua Catholic Church



Dear Friends,

We are pleased to announce that our pantry, formerly associated with the Society of St. Vincent de Paul, is coming home to exist independently as St. Anthony's Bread Box on October 1, 2021. We will continue to serve our community by providing groceries and HEB gift cards to those in need, as well as financial aid in the form of assistance with rent and utilities. By operating independently of a larger organization, we will better serve those in need and continue to keep your generous donations within our community. This venture would not be possible without the full support of Fr. Kevin and the church staff.

As we wind down our association with St. Vincent de Paul, the church will begin accepting donations for St. Anthony's Bread Box beginning July 1 in preparation for our October 1 opening. Make checks payable to the church and notate St. Anthony's Bread Box in the memo line. If you wish to continue to support St. Vincent de Paul, please contact the downtown office for details.

We appreciate your continued generous support of our ministry and pray that we can count on your support in the future. We are excited to bring this ministry home to our parish of St. Anthony de Padua to help all people in need in our community.

Come visit us on Tuesdays from 10 a.m. to 12 p.m., and see what we do. We welcome new volunteers!