Christmas is about celebrating the birth of God's love made real in our world, through the person of Jesus. The greatest joy we experience can be when we share that love with others who are our friends and neighbors. We offer the most amazing event at St. Andrew's – **Our Annual Christmas Day Dinner!** It is an opportunity for us to open our doors and hearts to those around us who wish to enjoy a delicious home-cooked meal and to be greeted with the warmth of our smiles and our hearts filled with the joy of Christmas.

We hope each one of you will find a way to help!

Our dinner is on **Saturday**, **December 25<sup>th</sup>** (Christmas Day) and we serve from 12-2 p.m. We will offer take-home meals due to our current safety precautions. Last year we served almost 300 meals – so we need a lot of hands and hearts to make this work!

How would you like to help? Here are some suggestions -

- Donate a turkey.
- Make a financial contribution to the meal.
- Bake loaves of bread in advance.
- Bake pies for dessert.
- Help shop for the ingredients.
- Offer to keep track of those who are coming.
- Help with the cooking ahead of time.
- Prepare goodie- bags for the children who will come.
- Greet people as they arrive that day.
- Help serve the meal.
- Help package the meal.
- Wash the dishes.
- Write thank you notes to the donors.
- Donate gift certificates to be handed out to those in need.
- And whatever else you can think of that will make Christmas Day a bit merrier!

Please tell Mike Stitt or Mother Barbara of your desire to help. We hope everyone will find a way to be a part of this most marvelous expression of God's love. It is an incredibly faithful way to celebrate the incarnation of God's love, right here in our Parish Life Center.