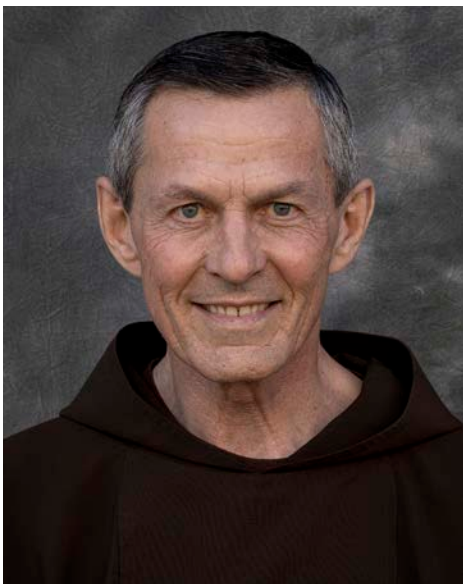
CAPUCHIN
COMMUNITY
SERVICES

Milwaukee
House of Peace
St. Ben's Community Meal

2023
Calendar



Father Michael Bertram,
OFM Capuchin
Ministry Director

Blessed 2023 from the Capuchin friar team working
at Capuchin Community Services.
Left to right: Capuchin Brothers Brenton Ertel, Jerry Smith,
Carl Schaefer, Michael Bertram and Henryk Cisowski

Capuchin Community Services

A blessed and Happy New Year to you! May God bless you for all the good works and support you show to Capuchin Community Services.

It is ironic that for the Mass on New Year's Day, the first reading is from the Old Testament Book of Numbers - the Blessing of Aaron. St. Francis of Assisi adopted the words of this blessing to make it his own. It is our wish to you in this new year as well:

"The Lord bless you and keep you.
The Lord let his face shine upon you, and be gracious to you.
The Lord look upon you kindly and give you peace."

From all of us at both the House of Peace and St. Ben's Ministries, may your year be filled with the peace that this blessing offers!

Fr. Mike Bertram, Capuchin
Director, Capuchin Community Services

House of Peace Site

- Emergency Food Pantry
- Clothing Center
- Spiritual Care
- UW-M Community Health and Wellness Center – HOP
- Marquette Volunteer Legal Clinic
- Social Worker
- Empowerment Classes

1702 West Walnut Street
Milwaukee ● WI ● 53205
414.933.1300

St. Ben's Community Meal Site

- Serving every Sunday through Friday
- Prescription co-pays & medical appointment support
- Showers & Laundry
- Hygiene items (weekly)
- Assistance with IDs & Birth Certificates
- Custom-made eyeglasses every Wednesday

930 West State Street
Milwaukee ● WI ● 53233
414.271.0135

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The Midwest Capuchins

CAPUCHIN COMMUNITY SERVICES

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How to Volunteer

Capuchin Community Services is a site-specific, volunteer-driven ministry carrying out the works of mercy. Our two sites, the House of Peace and Saint Ben's Community Meal, have unique yet connected missions: to help families stay together, and to help people struggling with poverty and homelessness. Driving these ministries are our volunteers, people of good will who donate their time as they feel called. If you have a gift, an area of expertise you feel called to share, or want to respond to the most pressing needs, you are welcome. It happens just as often that people who come to serve discover gifts they didn't know they had.

We are committed to hosting guests and volunteers in a supportive, joyful, and safe environment. Your volunteer service might bring you in direct contact with our guests, or placed behind the scenes supporting the operations, or something in between. Let us discern this together! Sometimes the work is challenging, but you will never be left on your own – that's our faith-based commitment to everyone who comes to our sites. To serve safely, all volunteer applications are subject to a background check.

The following are volunteer opportunities currently available in our Capuchin Community Services programs.

St. Ben's Community Meal

- Staffing the meal prep stations
- Staffing the Meal Hall floor – clearing, re-setting, beverage service
- Special events and projects
- Apply to volunteer at: thecapuchins.net/MealVolunteer
- Email: ccsvol@thecapuchins.org

St. Ben's Open Door Ministry:

- Shower Program – scheduling and tracking
- Laundry Ministry – scheduling and tracking
- Eyeglasses Ministry
- Barbershop Ministry
- Front Door office duty – welcoming & connecting guests to services & resources
- Apply to volunteer at: thecapuchins.net/StBensOpenDoor
- Email: ccsvol@thecapuchins.org

The House of Peace:

- Clothing Closet - sorting and organizing clothes
- Emergency Food Pantry - stocking and organizing food items
- Eyeglasses Ministry
- Special events & projects
- Apply to volunteer at: thecapuchins.net/HouseOfPeaceVols
- Email: ccsvol@thecapuchins.org

Our Mission: Inspired by the gospel of Jesus and the example of Francis of Assisi, the Capuchin friars of the Province of Saint Joseph, together with our partners in ministry, prayerfully build sister-brotherhood in the world. We attend simply and directly to the spiritual and other basic human needs, especially those of the poor and disenfranchised, promoting justice for all.

December 2022

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JANUARY 2023

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8 Epiphany	9	10	11	12	13	14
15	16 Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Day *Capuchin Community Services' Sites Closed*	17	18	19	20	21
22	23	24	25	26	27	28
29	30	31	**CALL TO ACTION:** ***Warm Winter Drive*** Please donate gently used or new adult or children's winter hats, gloves, clothing or sleeping bags. Deliver to either site. ofmcap.cc/CCS-WarmWinter			

meijer.com

Hunger Task Force
MyPlate
Fruits
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CAPUCHIN
WALK
AMERICAN
CUSTOMS

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FEBRUARY 2023

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12	13	14 St. Valentine's Day	15	16	17	18 Isra and Mi'raj
19	20 Presidents' Day	21	22 Ash Wednesday *Lent Begins*	23	24	25
26	27 54th Anniversary House of Peace	28				

CALL TO ACTION:

Strong Babies Sanctuary/Blanket of Love Collection

We are collecting infant formula, bedding, layettes and bassinets.

We also need disposable diapers and baby wipes.

Deliver to either site.

ofmcap.cc/CCS-BabyCare

St. Ben's
Community Meal
Dinner
Sun - Thurs: 5:15-6:30pm
To-Go Lunch
Friday: 1-4pm
AND JUSTICE FOR ALL

February 2023

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CALL TO ACTION ***Lenten Hygiene Bag Drive:*** Some guests can't afford basic hygiene supplies. Hold a hygiene bag drive this month. We'll provide the free bags with suggested items printed on the front. Deliver to either site. ofmcap.cc/CCS-HygieneBags			1	2	3	4
5	6 Purim Begins	7 Laylat al Barat Begins Purim Ends	8 Laylat al Barat Ends	9	10	11
12 Daylight Savings Begins	13	14	15	16	17 Saint Patrick's Day	18
19	20	21	22 Ramadan Begins	23	24	25
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BADGER

HOUSE OF PEACE
This institution is an
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Khoom Nej Khoom Haus Qhib
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2 Palm Sunday	3	4	5 Passover Begins	6 Holy Thursday	7 Good Friday *Capuchin Community Services' Sites Closed*	8 Holy Saturday
9 Easter Sunday	10 Easter Monday	11	12	13 Passover Ends	14	15
16	17	18	19	20 Ramadan Ends	21 Eid al-Fitr Begins	22 Eid al-Fitr Begins
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CALL TO ACTION:
Easter Meal Drive:
Please consider donating an Easter Meal for a family.
Deliver to either site.
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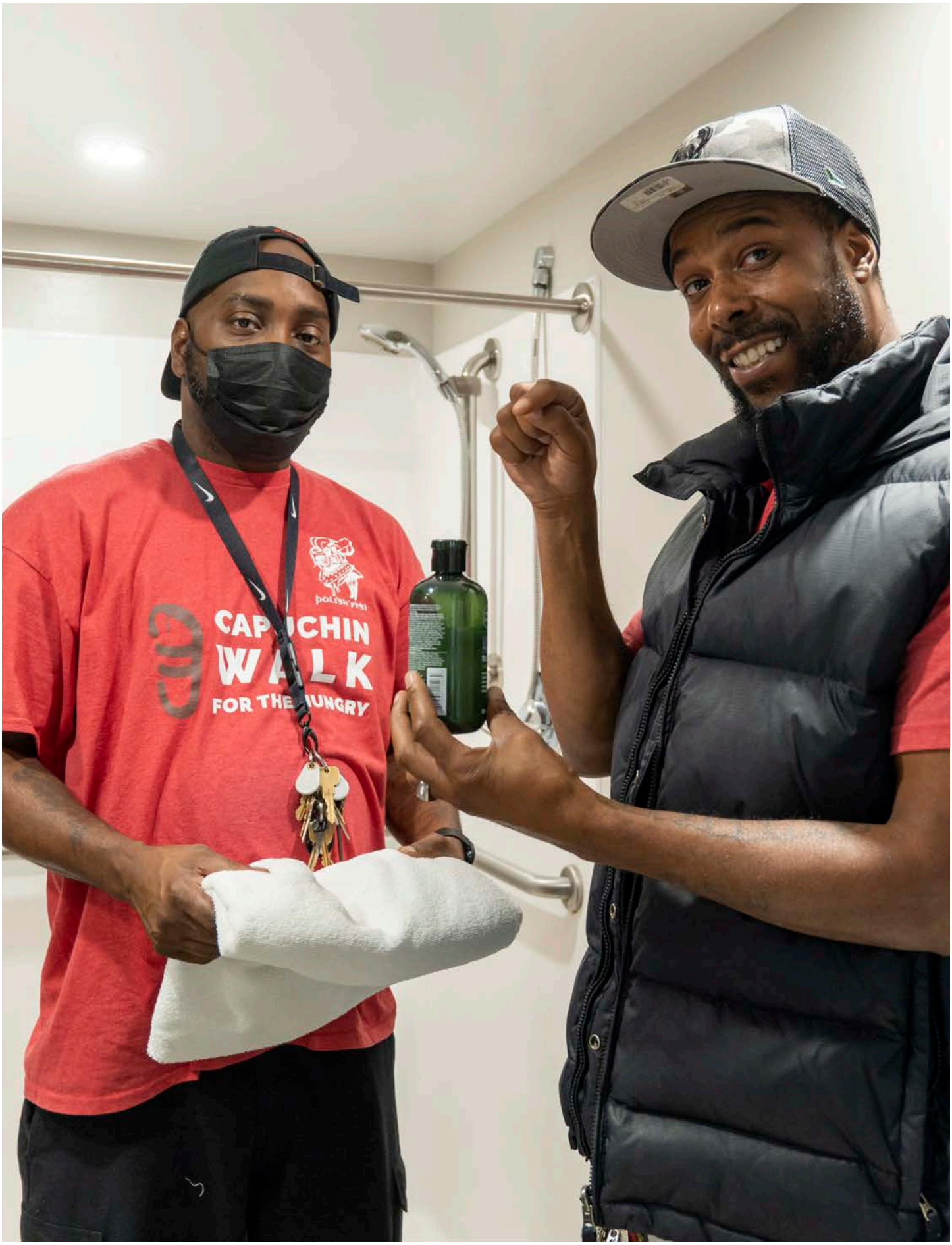
CAPUCHIN
WALK
FOR THE HUNGRY

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14 Mother's Day	15	16	17	18	19	20
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28 Pentecost	29 Memorial Day *Capuchin Community Services' Sites Closed*	30	31	**CALL TO ACTION:** ***"Undie Sunday" Collection*** Collect new underwear and socks for our guests. Deliver to either site. ofmcap.cc/UndieSunday		

CAPUCHIN
WALK
FOR THE HUNGRY

CAPUCHIN
WALK

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CALL TO ACTION: ***Register for the Capuchin Walk for the Hungry*** Join over 1,000 walkers at Polish Fest as we raise funds to help Capuchin Community Services provide food to people struggling with hunger. ofmcap.cc/CapWalk				1	2	3
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11	12	13	14	15	16	17
18 Father's Day	19 Juneteenth	20	21	22	23	24
25	26	27	28 Eid al-Adha Begins	29 Eid al-Adha Ends	30	

CAPUCHIN COMMUNITY SERVICES
St. Ben's Community Meal
House of Peace

VOLUNTEER
SAMUEL
CAPUCHIN FRANCISCANS

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			CALL TO ACTION : ***Help Children Succeed*** Please consider donating a backpack and/or some school supplies. Deliver new school supplies to either site. ofmcap.cc/SchoolSuccess			1
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16	17	18	19 Al-Hijra / Muharram Begins	20	21	22
23	24	25	26 Fast of Tisha B'av Begins	27 Fast of Tisha B'av Ends	28	29
30 Bl. Solanus Casey Feast Day	31					

HOT WHEELS
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I Believe there're
Angel
among us!

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27	28	29	30	31	**CALL TO ACTION:** ***Harvest Time Is Starting*** If you planted a garden, please consider donating produce. Our guests love to take fresh fruits & veggies home. Deliver to either site. ofmcap.cc/CCS-GardenHarvest	

Jeep
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Saint Ben's
Community Meal
House of Peace
VOLUNTEER

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SEPTEMBER 2023

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CALL TO ACTION: ***Volunteers Needed to Help Register Families:*** Thousands from both Capuchin Community Services' sites will register to receive holiday aid. Volunteers are needed Mon-Fri, 9am - 3pm for 1 week or more in October. Training provided. To volunteer, register online or call 414.933.1300, ext. 1123. ofmcap.cc/HouseOfPeaceVols					1	2
3	4 Labor Day *Capuchin Community Services' Sites Closed*	5	6	7	8	9
10	11 National Day of Service & Remembrance	12	13	14	15 Rosh Hashana Begins	16
17 Rosh Hashana Ends	18	19	20	21	22	23 St. Padre Pio
24 Yom Kippur Begins	25 Yom Kippur Ends	26	27	28	29 Sukkot Begins	30

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CALL TO ACTION:

Holiday Food Box Drives Begin

Help feed a family this Thanksgiving or Christmas. Set up a drive by calling 414.933.1300, ext. 1151 or register online. ofmcap.cc/CCS-HolidayDrives

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CALL TO ACTION: ***Be A Saint! Holiday Help Needed*** Volunteers needed to sort food and distribute to our guests. Volunteers are needed Monday through Friday, 9 AM - 3 PM. Call 414.933.1300, ext. 1123 or visit ofmcap.cc/HolidayVolunteers			1 All Saints' Day	2 All Souls' Day	3	4
5 Daylight Saving Time Ends	6	7	8	9	10	11 Veterans' Day Volunteer Appreciation Luncheon
12	13 *53rd Anniversary St. Ben's Community Meal*	14	15	16	17	18
19	20	21	22	23 Thanksgiving *St. Ben's Community Meal serves 2-3:30 pm House of Peace Site Closed*	24 *St. Ben's Community Meal Site Closed*	25
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	CALL TO ACTION: ***Christmas Toy Drives Begin*** Can you donate new toys, books or winter clothing? Deliver to either site. ofmcap.cc/HolidayToys				1	2
3 *Advent Begins*	4	5	6	7 *Hanukkah Begin*	8	9
10	11	12	13	14	15 *Hanukkah Ends*	16
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24 Christmas Eve	25 Christmas Day *Capuchin Community Services' Sites Closed*	26 Christmas Eve (Observed) *Capuchin Community Services' Sites Closed*	27	28	29	30
31 New Year's Eve						

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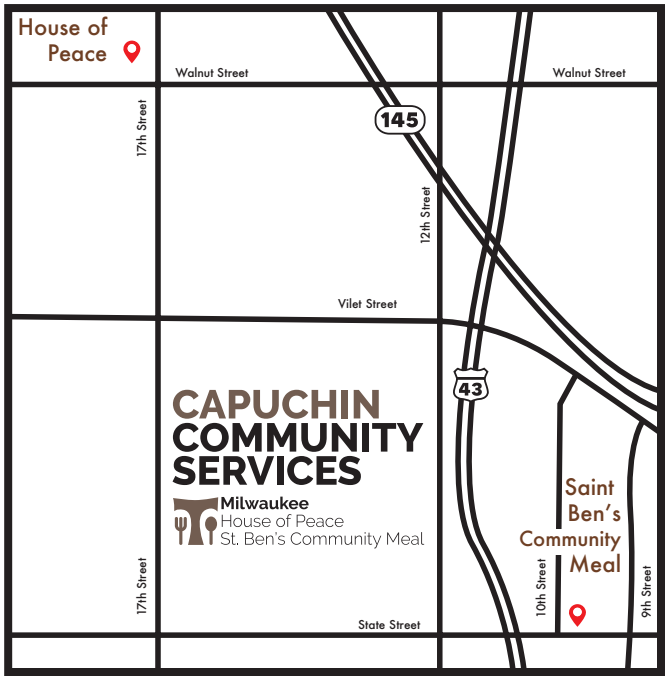
- Capuchin Franciscan Brother Booker Ashe