

SFB Prayer Chain is Unique Ministry

There is a unique ministry in St. Francis Borgia Parish! Unlike other ministries, being a Prayer Chain Intercessor brings you no visible recognition. You wear no special clothing to distinguish you as a “pray-er.” Heads do not turn as you enter a room – but oh, the sweet rewards! These people **ARE** the hands of Christ folded in prayer as they ask for God’s mercy and blessings for one of His children. Their special prayers ascend and encircle the throne of God as sweet incense!

These people may not know it, but they have been chosen by God for this ministry. They have answered His call to pray for one another. Something inside of them beckoned them to reach out and put aside a little time to pray for the needs of others. That “something” was the Holy Spirit. Scripture says, “At every opportunity, pray in the Spirit, using prayers and petitions of every sort. Pray constantly and attentively for all in the holy company.” (Ephesians 6:18)

They pray as the Spirit leads: short prayers, long ones, on their knees or standing at the sink doing the dishes. Simple words or very formal ones – God hears all prayers.

There are over 30 people on the Prayer Chain and I ask God to bless all of them in a very special way. They are precious in His sight. May he shower abundant blessings upon them!

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