Summer 2020

Glory to Jesus Christ!

In recent months, the St. Mary of Egypt food ministry has kept up its regular schedule in the wake of the COVID-19 crisis. We began in March by altering our distribution practices, limiting access to our warehouse to volunteers and serving clients outside. Our at-risk volunteers have been encouraged to stay home. Physical distancing has been encouraged as well, both inside the warehouse and as clients wait to receive food, while gloves, masks, and extra sanitation products have been made available to our volunteers.

As the Mission serves those in need during these challenging times, we turn to you for prayers and support. Local families in need rely on St. Mary of Egypt for food and compassion given by our loyal volunteers. You can help sustain our ministry through the summer with your contribution in any amount.

May the Lord richly bless you and protect you!

Wisdom of the Saints

The bodies of fellow human beings must be treated with greater care than our own. Christian love teaches us to give our brethren not only spiritual gifts, but material gifts as well. Even our last shirt, our last piece of bread must be given to them. Personal almsgiving and the most wide-ranging social work are equally justifiable and necessary. The way to God lies through love of other people and there is no other way. At the Last Judgement I shall not be asked if I was successful in my ascetic exercises or how many prostrations I made in the course of my prayers. I shall be asked, did I feed the hungry, clothe the naked, visit the sick and the prisoners: that is all I shall be asked. - St. Maria Skobtsova of Paris

Many thanks to our indoor distribution crew (and those not pictured)!