

FINDING AN ENDURING LOVE

by Julia Occhiogrosso

This year we placed four new granite markers in our memorial garden. Each is engraved with an image or quote unique to the beloved we are honoring and holds a special place in our unfolding story. This remembrance ritual serves to soothe the sorrow and strengthen our steps forward.

Resonating on this theme, the intercessions lifted in our morning prayers are increasingly for aging loved ones suffering as they face their last days.

Within the last few months, two of our long-time hospitality guests were hospitalized and have reached the stage of needing long-term convalescence.

Perhaps this manifestation of vulnerability and loss is indicative to the season our community is in as we near forty years of witness in Las Vegas. In any case, wherever vulnerability and loss reveal itself, the profoundly tender presence of the Christ within us and among us is there as well.

As I have cared for the sick and dying, I have glimpsed the truth of my temporal limitations. My dependence on my illusions has begun to fall away. I sense dimly the slow, steady birthing of insight and renewal. I, like those we care for, am being transformed and readied to be held in the enduring embrace of the beloved.

We are continually reminded by those we serve that suffering does not have the final word. Loving acts in response to suffering embody eternal power. Thank you for helping us live in this hope.

“We have all known the long loneliness and we have learned that the only solution is love and that love comes with community.”

- Dorothy Day, co-founder of the Catholic Worker movement



Alex Bean helps place the granite marker for his grandfather, George Bean in our memorial garden. George was a loyal volunteer, board member and dear friend.

Donation Information:

Checks: Please make checks payable and send to:

Las Vegas Catholic Worker
500 W. Van Buren Ave.

Las Vegas, NV 89106-3039

Zelle: mail@lvcw.org (no fee)

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At 6:15 a.m., Friday morning volunteers line up on two "assembly lines" and put together over 300 hot "to-go" meals before serving them.



Catholic Worker Artwork
Our friend Sarah Fuller is offering a bountiful assortment of linocut art

for sale on T-Shirts, stickers, posters, cards and more.

Online at:

[redbubble.com/people/sarahfullerart/shop](https://www.redbubble.com/people/sarahfullerart/shop)



Hope Christian Medical Clinic has been bringing their Mobile Outreach Clinic to see homeless patients in the empty lot behind our two homes twice monthly.



Joycelyn "Joy" Jones volunteers on Wednesday mornings to help prepare the Thursday morning meal. Joy smiles alongside the vegetable side dish.



Lou Hillegass and Tammy Jones-Lepp cut a donated wheel of Jarlsberg cheese.

Christmas Breakfast
Saturday, Dec. 21
We will be Closed
Dec. 25 - Jan. 4



we are one family under God

View resources and take action at: JusticeforImmigrants.org

PLEASE JOIN US

Volunteer Scheduling:
(702) 647-0728

or mail@lvcw.org

Thurs.-Sat., 6:00 a.m.

Morning prayer at Catholic Worker

Thurs.-Sat., 6:15 a.m. Over 300 "To-go" hot meals served to the poor and homeless (6:15 a.m.: meal assembly, 7:00 - 7:30 a.m.: meal distribution)

Thursday, 11:30 a.m.

50 lunches taken to the homeless prepared by Our Lady of Wisdom Italo-Greek Byzantine Catholic Church

Thursdays (two monthly) 8 a.m. - noon Hope Christian Medical Outreach mobile Clinic.

Friday, 8-10 a.m. Clean the World Foundation shower trailer in our empty lot, up to 40 showers given. We provide clean clothing and hygiene supplies, Touro University students offer a monthly medical clinic

Second Sat. of the month

Knights of Columbus Pancake Breakfast for the homeless (Not held in January 2025)

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