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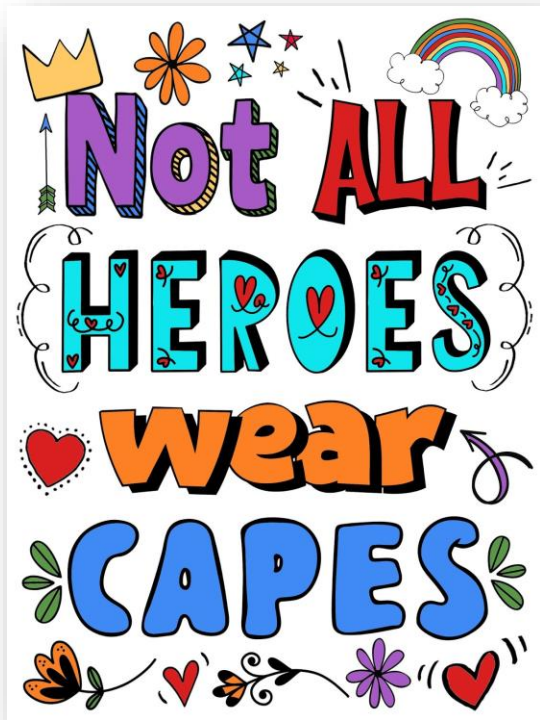
## January's Heroes of Hope: **St Francis Parish Ministries**

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Father Paul recently reminded us that we are many communities within a community. This month, we are given the opportunity to thank the members of the smaller communities, ministries, at St Francis. It is their capacity to care through their gifts that each person brings forward within their chosen ministry that make St Francis such a vibrant and welcoming community.

Our heroes are our:

- Altar Servers
- Catechists (Children's Liturgy,
- Good Shepherd, RCIA)
- Catholic Women's League
- Decoration Volunteers
- Eucharistic Ministers
- Finance Committee
- Funeral Luncheon
- Homebound Ministers
- Hospitality Ministers
- Laudato Si'
- Lectors
- Money Counters
- Music Ministers
- Prayer Network
- Prayer Shawl
- Social Committee



Thank you to all the ministers who give of their time and talents to continue to build and strengthen the St Francis community. You truly are appreciated as our "Heroes of Hope".

We have many amazing people in our parish. We would like to take the opportunity to invite any parishioners to discover a ministry, share your talents and join our "Heroes of Hope".

# HEROES OF HOPE DIOCESAN PRAYER

Lord God, by the grace of our baptism,  
you have given us new life in Christ  
and called us to serve as pilgrims of hope.

We pray in thanksgiving for those who have responded to your call  
to be leaders in our parish community  
and for the volunteers who dedicate their gifts  
for the building up of your Church  
and the service of their sisters and brothers.

Through their varied ministries,  
may they touch the hearts of all in our community  
who long for the hope, born of our Christian faith,  
that never disappoints.

We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen.

