



**Welcome to our resource page for the Life-Giving Habit of:**



- Find a team to serve on monthly at Severn that wouldn't be your first choice. Commit to serve on the team for a minimum of one year. For more details and to sign up go to <http://severnvineyard.org/get-involved/join-a-team> or complete a form on the Sunday Service Information desk.
- If you have already joined a team, identify and recruit another person to your team, so that they can serve with you and share the ownership that comes from being involved.
- Take the opportunity once a term to serve someone who is vulnerable or in need. You could try the serving food and drink to the homeless (Soup Run); be involved in the team that visits Ashfield Prison once a month; be involved in distributing baby clothes and equipment to vulnerable families through the Storehouse; get involved in helping improve the home of a vulnerable person or family through Severn's home improvement team. For more details and to

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- Make it a habit to serve newcomers to Severn's events by always introducing yourself to at least one person who you don't know each time you attend a Severn event.
- Try having more time to allow yourself to be interrupted by someone else's need. Next time you are asked for some help, but are tempted to excuse yourself for lack of time, do the opposite.
- Try putting a bag of non-perishable groceries in your car and ask the Holy Spirit to show you who he wants you to give them to.
- Serve someone else in secret. Do something for someone else without anyone else knowing about it.
- Intentionally serve your colleagues once a month and commit to doing that for six months.
- Find a way of serving a close friend, relative or spouse that is particularly meaningful to them and commit to doing that for six months.



- Review the distribution of household chores across the household members and rearrange as appropriate to ensure everyone is involved, including children if you have them.
- Consider how you as a household could serve a member of your community who seems isolated and in need and go and do it!
- As a household go and pick up rubbish in your local street, park, neighbourhood.



## SMALL GROUP IDEAS

- As a small group volunteer to help improve the home of a vulnerable family or person in partnership with the Severn Home Improvements team.
- As a small group, organise a street party for the neighbourhood where you live, get a permit to close the road from the council.
- As a small group share the responsibilities for hosting, leading and organising the group activities. Set up a rota for six months.
- As a small group contact your local residential home for the elderly, bake cakes for them and go and spend an afternoon playing board games or just having a chat over a cup of tea.



## WHOLE CHURCH

- We are planning to hold a party for everyone who serves on a team at Severn before Christmas - get the date in your diary as soon as you hear about it. Join a team as soon as possible to avoid missing out on the party of the year!