

- The Labre project provides social interactions and relationships that bridges Lourdes to the broader community.
- It's a good way to build relationships within our school and outside. We become aware of what's going on around us.
- It gives the students a different outlook on life.
- You get a different perspective on individuals who live a different life from you and those you go to school with.
- It's great to get out in the Toledo area to help people out who don't have people they can talk to every day and to give them food to help their families.
- We get to do what God calls us to do – serve! Serve others, serve those who are in need. And you get to meet new people in your community.

*-Reflections from student volunteers*



Born into a successful merchant family in 18<sup>th</sup> century France, Benedict Joseph Labre renounced everything to become a tertiary Franciscan and serve the needs of the poor and marginalized.

Now honored as the patron saint of the homeless, Benedict Labre's life serves as the inspiration for the Toledo Labre Project (and for similar projects at other college and high school campuses).

Our outreach begins and ends in the context of prayer as students share names and stories of the people they've met.

The food we serve is really a vehicle to build relationships with some of our more anonymous neighbors.

### Benedict Joseph Labre



Poor in the eyes  
of men & women;  
rich in the eyes of God,  
pray for us.

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# Be part of the Toledo Labre Project\*

A weekly outreach  
to the Toledo community



\* Sponsored by Lourdes University Campus Ministry

# Toledo Labre Project

Inspired by other area schools, Campus Ministry students launched the Labre Project at Lourdes University in August 2014.

Each Wednesday afternoon (even when classes are not in session), students gather at the Campus Ministry House to dish out casseroles, bag chips and cookies, make sandwiches and prepare hot chocolate or lemonade.

Students and staff then head out into the community and serve these meals from our vans. Anyone who comes receives a meal – no questions asked.



## Sandwich & Snack Supplies

- **Bread** (we use 8-10 loaves per week)
- **Peanut butter**
- **Grape jelly**
- **Lunch meat** (turkey or ham)
- **American cheese slices**
- **Sandwich bags** (inexpensive 'fold-over' ones are fine)
- **Lemonade mix / Hot chocolate mix** (seasonal)
- **Potato chips**
- **Assorted cookies**
- **Cheese or Peanut butter crackers, granola bars, snack bars** (individually wrapped)
- **Clean, re-usable plastic grocery bags**

## Casserole Supplies

- **Dry noodles / pasta**
- **Cream soups**
- **Spaghetti sauce**
- **Tuna or other canned meat**
- **Chicken or ground beef**
- **Shredded cheese**
- **Aluminum casserole pans** (Disposable, 9x13 inch)

## Donation Drop Off

Donations may be left at the  
**San Damiano**  
**Campus Ministry House**  
**6675 Convent Blvd**  
*Across from the Lourdes University main campus*

The house is usually staffed  
**M-F: 9:30 am – 5:30 pm**

Call in advance: **419.517.7455**



**Cash donations are also accepted.**

Checks can be made payable to  
**Lourdes Campus Ministry** and mailed to:

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