

MercyFes

Summer 2017

Dear Business Owner,

On Saturday, October 7, 2017, Our Lady of Mercy Parish (OLM) in Aurora will hold its annual Silent Auction as part of our 4-day community festival called "MercyFest". MercyFest is one of the largest festivals held in Aurora and is free to the public. It draws thousands of local residents to our church grounds to enjoy food, live music, carnival rides, games and fun family entertainment. The MercyFest Silent Auction is currently looking for donations of products or services and we earnestly request your support. Will you consider making a donation of a merchandise or service for our event?

MercyFest is a fundraising event made possible by the support of generous sponsors and many committed volunteers. The funds raised are utilized by our Parish Life Center for operating many enrichment programs and ministries that OLM Parish provides for the local communities. It also helps support a variety of community outreach programs that positively impact the lives of individuals and families in our local area. This year we have deemed Hessed House our charity of choice to benefit from our fund raising.

We are excited to announce that the very popular band "ARRA" will be performing a wide range of modern and classic hits in the Beer Tent on Saturday night; they will invariably draw a large crowd for our Silent Auction event! We also plan to have our carnival and kid's activities, bags tournament, a variety of musical performers, as well as lots of food and other fun activities. A complete schedule of events will soon be posted on our website at www.mercy-fest.com.

Also, in return for your generous contribution, your business name will be prominently displayed next to your donated item, inside the church on our bulletin board, on the festival website (if donated prior to September 1st), and you will receive a thank you letter acknowledging your tax deductible donation along with the church's Tax ID number for your records. Our Silent Auction draws hundreds of attendees, many of whom eagerly support our donors throughout the year.

If you are willing to donate a product or service, please complete the enclosed Silent Auction Donation Form. If you require additional information or wish for us to make arrangements for pick-up of items, please contact Jennifer Leazzo at 630-566-9870/ jdleazzo@yahoo.com or Ann Marie Stone at 630-236-5606/ albrghti@aol.com.

We gratefully request that all donations be received by September 24th to allow us adequate time to organize our auction event. We greatly appreciate your support and hope we can count on you to help make this event a great success.

Sincerely,

MercyFest Silent Auction Committee