Mother Teresa. She brings a smile to our faces and warmth in our hearts. It is hard not to like or respect Mother Teresa. Everyone typically has a favorable impression of her. Because she lived what she believed... She found Christ in the poor. She met Christ in the poor. She knew Christ in the poor.

Her Feast Day is celebrated on September 5th. Let us ask her to pray for us as we imitate her virtue and ask God for the grace to model the mission of what it means to be a Catholic Christian.

One person who does this in our Diocese is Ginger Wintz. Ginger is a parishioner of St. Joseph’s in Auburn. And she is a volunteer and supporter of Catholic Social Services. Years ago, Ginger saw an opportunity to reach out to the lonely. In order to reach out to the lonely, she looked to something we should do every day: eat. Ginger began housing what is known as a monthly “St. Joseph’s Dinner” in which those around the community would be invited in an open door way. People could simply join together and enjoy a nice dinner and conversation. The working poor, the elderly, the widowed, and the lonely began to come and engage in a good meal and conversation. And this tradition has (continued on back page)
continued for years now. In this simple way, Ginger is imitating Mother Teresa and Christ by reaching out and building relationships. She is encountering people and is lifting up their spirits. This is a beautiful way of evangelizing, bringing people together in love, and living the Gospel in everyday life.

We thank God for the life of St. Teresa of Calcutta and we thank God for the life of Ginger Wintz and all of the lives she has touched. May we all look for ways to lift each other up and encounter Christ in His people. Thank you for your faith in Jesus and may God bless us always!!!!

-Fr. Justin Fulton
Executive Director

CSS, Food Bank of Lincoln collaborating with new Food Market program for schools

For years, Catholic Social Services participated in the Backpack Program that provided a weekend’s worth of food for families in need in our Catholic schools. This year, CSS is partnering with the Food Bank in a new way to deliver a healthier option: The Food Market. On the second Tuesday of every month, CSS will bring perishable and nonperishable food items from the Food Bank to schools. Student Councils will help set-up and organize the items alongside CSS volunteers. The Food Market will be open from 3 pm to 4:30 pm that day. The Food Bank is providing reusable grocery bags. The goal is to encourage food choice as we keep in mind any allergies or dietary restrictions that children may have. The Food Market will also incorporate fresh fruits and vegetables, dairy products, and bread when available. There are no income restrictions or requirements to participate in the program. CSS will be onsite to provide information on other services offered by our team including emergency cash assistance, refugee resettlement and immigration and employment assistance. If you would like to volunteer with this program, contact Jeremy Sousek, Volunteer Coordinator, at jsousek@cssius.org. Thank you!