

Habitat for Humanity

"A hand up, not a hand out."

Habitat for Humanity, founded in 1976 in Americus, Georgia, is a non-profit, ecumenical Christian housing ministry that builds simple, decent, and affordable houses in partnership with those who need adequate shelter. Habitat in Atlanta is one of 1500 local Habitat affiliates.

As part of a coalition of Atlanta churches working with Habitat in Atlanta, Sacred Heart has sponsored nine houses. Under the supervision of experienced Habitat workers, parishioners from Sacred Heart and volunteers from the other churches spend eight Saturdays constructing a home from foundation to landscaping for a deserving family. No construction experience is necessary to be a part of this exciting and rewarding ministry.

Sacred Heart parishioners also travel to New Orleans about twice a year to participate in Habitat builds there. Volunteers spend between 2 and 4 days helping to rebuild the city devastated by Hurricane Katrina.

You can participate either by working on site or by contributing financially to the special collections taken up to fund Sacred Heart's continued participation in Habitat.

2012 Atlanta Build Dates and Sign-up Dates:

2012 BUILD:

Dates: Saturday, February 18, through Saturday, March 31. Sacred Heart will provide the lunch on February 25.

Participating members with Sacred Heart: First Presbyterian, Morningside Presbyterian, Northwest Presbyterian, and Haygood Methodist churches.

Location: The house site is off Moreland Ave., about 3 miles south of I-20.

SIGN-UP DATES:

- February 5: after the 12:00, 1:30, and 6:00 p.m. Masses.
- February 11: after the 5:30 p.m. Mass.
- February 12: after the 7:00, 8:30, and 10:00 a.m. Masses.

We're starting with the PM Masses because for the past two years over 90% of the volunteer slots were filled before attendees of those Masses had a chance to sign up. Please look for the sign-up table on February 5, 11, and 12.

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