

# LOVE IN ACTION



## CALL TO COMMUNITY AND PARTICIPATION



Josepha has a keen eye for those who might need a helping hand to meet others. She has a natural welcoming heart, but also the gift to be able to get people involved. When she heard of a new family in the parish school with a child with intellectual disabilities, she looked for an opportunity to introduce them to the parish Saturday club. The club brings families together in a mixed ability, open and non-judging group.

The mum brought her son along and discovered a place of belonging, not just for her little boy, but also where she can get support for herself. She found out more about the local area and crucial benefit information from other people's experiences. Although shy at first, she responded to Josepha's invitation to get more involved and now enjoys organising termly parish activities for people of all abilities.



Pope Benedict XVI, *Charity in Truth*, 53

The human race is a single family working together in true communion, not simply a group of subjects who happen to live side by side"

How often do we moan about things in our community, our parish, our world? Yet, how often do we actually do something to improve the situation?



Pope Francis's challenge to us...

Do not be bystanders in life. Get involved! Jesus was not a bystander.

Pope Francis,  
*Christ Is Alive*

