



Free Crucifix Ministry

FAMILIES FOR CHRIST

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Mission: *"To display a crucifix at no charge in every Christian home".*

Deacon Mike Salerno believes this with a passion. He was in his 70's when he met Gary Fusco a local cabinet maker and shared the vision God had given him. Gary is the man who is helping him reach his amazing goal. With Deacon Mike's vision and Gary's talent at woodworking the two were off. They started in 2006 with just fifty crucifixes and remarkably, Deacon Mike handed every one of them out free of charge in just two days and was back for more.

Then an astonishing thing happened! With the help of local support Mike and Gary have been able to get materials, manufacture and distribute over 7000 crucifixes here in the USA and in other far reaching parts of the world such as Japan, Venezuela, Canada, and Ethiopia. A cornerstone of this effort is that these crucifixes are given free to anyone who will place the crucifix in their home.



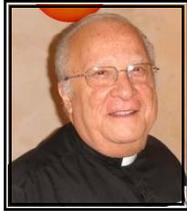
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MEET OUR STAFF



Deacon Mike Salerno was born 20 min before his twin brother John in Chicago in 1933. After high school he joined the Army and was trained in "still life" photography. He was shipped out to Alaska for two years to serve in Fort Richardson outside of Anchorage. He then went onto his career in commercial photography and to work for a large postal facility until retirement. In 1989 he was ordained a Catholic Deacon in Joliet ILL. In 1996 he moved to Naples, FL where he remains an active prayer warrior and friend to all people. He is known throughout the area for his loving nature and for having given away thousands of Crucifixes.

Gary Fusco was born in 1953 in northern N.J. and grew up with three brothers and one sister. When he was fifteen he began studying with the Xaverian Missionaries and remained with them for eight years as a Brother in this religious order. With them in Milwaukee and then Chicago he studied Scripture, Theology, Auto Mechanics, and Cabinetmaking. Desiring to marry, he left the order and began a family and his own business in cabinetmaking. He and his wife Rosalind have raised five children and are expecting their eighth grandchild! For the past six years Gary has been studying and actively practicing Christian Counseling part time and has recently earned his Doctorate. While he still loves woodworking, he feels God calling him to this ministry on a full time basis.



Questions: Please call Dan Fusco at 239-593-1718 or email at twcfusco@gmail.com



Daniel Fusco is the son of "Families for Christ" founder Gary Fusco; is the eldest of five children. Born in Chicago in 1978 where he lived until 1986 when the family and business "The Woodworker's Cabinet" moved to Naples, FL. Daniel grew up playing baseball and learning the woodworking trade from his father. As a baseball player he pitched and won the National Championship of New Zealand in 1995 and the State Championship of Florida 1997. During his time abroad in New Zealand for 15 months as a teenager; he truly came to know God and firmly committed his life and desires to Him. After graduating from Franciscan University of Steubenville with a Theology degree in 2000; he married his wife Kelly. They now live in Naples with five children of their own. Daniel works side by side with his father as co-owner of The Woodworker's Cabinet and is dedicated to the mission of "Families for Christ" -- "To display a crucifix at no charge in every Christian home".



Ethan Moll was born in Naples Florida in 1990. Started working with FFC in early 2010. Ethan is able to assemble over 100 crucifixes in a day after the finishing process is complete. In one day he is able to spray 350 crosses. He hopes to advance into become a full fledged cabinet-maker one day. He takes great pride in his craft and always produces a perfect crucifix!



The approximate cost of each cross is \$17

The Corpus	\$8.00
Wood	\$1.00
Labor	\$3.00
Overhead	\$4.00
Materials - screws, glue, finish, stickers	\$1.00



As a non-profit organization, we depend on volunteer contributions.

Wondering how you can help us continue **our Free Crucifix Ministry**: Donate your Money, Time and/or Materials.

Families for Christ is a 501c3 organization. That means 100% of the money donated goes to help build and distribute crucifixes.

For more information about donating your money, time or materials contact Dan at 239-593-1718.

To donate please make your check payable to "FFC" Mail to the Woodworker Cabinet, Inc. 6189 Taylor Road Unit 2 Naples, FL 34109