

## **Baked Breakfast Strata**

serves around 20

use 2 rectangular baking pans ( ~10 x 13 x 3 each)

30 slices day-old bread cut up in cubes

22 ounces sharp cheddar cheese shredded

15 Large eggs

10 Cups milk

1/3 cup finely chopped onion ( or sub equiv amount of dried onion flakes)

package precooked bacon chopped up or bacon bits

(Can also used diced up precooked chicken, turkey, ham, Spam !)

- can dice up a whole tomato or ??

Spray both pans with cooking spray to avoid sticking

Place layer of bread cubes in bottom of each pan

Sprinkle with half the onion, bacon, cheese etc.

Repeat with another layer of bread

Sprinkle remaining onions, meat, and cheese

Beat eggs in bowl

Stir in milk until smooth

pour over top of bread, pressing bread under liquid to moisten

Cover and let sit in refrigerator several hours or overnight

Preheat oven to 350 degrees

Bake 1 hour or until top is puffed and a knife inserted near center comes out clean

May substitute or add various cheeses and vegetables