

Helping Our Neighbors in Need!



Attention Parish Priests, Parish Councils & All Parishioners

For 37 Years we have pledged our support to help our hungry neighbors in need in our local communities between October and December.

Our world now has been turned upside-down with the effects of Coronavirus. In some Parishes it is impossible to attend Liturgical services, and in others there is limited attendance. It is unfeasible to meet together except via internet.

Our West Coast is on fire, our East Coast and Gulf Coast have suffered dramatically from hurricanes and natural disasters. Thousands have lost their loved ones, their livelihoods and their homes.

But, we can still help our neighbors in need.

We can still feed the hungry, we can still help the homeless, and we can still offer aid to the afflicted.

Each Parish can reach out to their local community and Food Banks and see what is needed the most. We have been challenged in many ways this year, and with our Faith and commitment we will get through this together!



Most Needed Items To Donate:

- Canned Soups (include a can opener)
- Pasta Meals & Canned Sauce
- Canned Meat & Fish
- Canned Fruit & Vegetables
- Fresh Produce & Fruit
- Allergy Friendly Food Options
 - Gluten Free, Nut Free, Dairy Free
- Flour, Sugar, Cornmeal, Rice, Dry Beans, Peanut Butter & Jelly, Crackers
- Shelf Stable Milk, Cereals, Cooking Oils
- Pancake & Muffin Mix that Only Require Water
- Baby Food, Juice Boxes, Apples Sauce & Granola Bars
- Baby Diapers & Wipes
- Socks & Underwear
- Household Cleaning Supplies & Paper Products
- Hygiene Products & Toiletries (Men & Women)



Please weigh your food. This can be done quite easily by totaling the amount of food weight listed on each can.

Each parish will distribute the **food to the needy in their local community**. Through this activity, people everywhere will be expressing their faith and sharing their love.

Please inform us of all your charitable activities. What are you doing to help our brothers and sisters in need? What else can we do to help those in need? We want to share this information with the entire Archdiocese!

In the United States, one in five people struggles with hunger, and many rely on food from local food banks to help feed their families. We're about to embark on the holiday season, which is an especially difficult time to live with food insecurity – that is, not knowing when you will get your next meal. You can help by supporting your local food pantry, food banks or shelters!

No one deserves to go to bed hungry!



NEW GRANT PROGRAM

Our new **GRANT PROGRAM APPLICATION** to assist Parishes with their local charitable work is now available online on the Archdiocesan Website.

*“The merciful person is he who gives to others what he himself received from God, whether it be money, or food, or strength, a helpful word, a prayer, or anything else he has through which he can express his compassion for those in need.” –
St. Peter of Damascus*



Thanks to your generosity, we have been able to assist the hungry, the homeless, the afflicted and the oppressed for over four decades. Through your love and concern, you have allowed us to care for the needs of those less fortunate.



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