



Our Tree of Hope

“JOURNEY TO THE STABLE AND BEYOND”

Advent Season 2018

As Advent approaches, we prepare for the birth of our Lord.
The Sheboygan North Catholic Parishes —

Holy Name of Jesus
St. Clement
St. Dominic



— prepare by sharing the blessings God has given us with those in need. Each of the four weeks of Advent has a different focus. All of the items collected will be distributed to families in need.



Week 1: *As we journey to the stable and beyond . . .*
we care for the Elderly in our Nursing Homes

December 1st and 2nd

The first weekend of Advent, our gifts will be for the elderly in our local nursing homes. A suggested list of items can be found on the reverse side.

Do not wrap these items - Use gift bags & label

Week 2: *As we journey to the stable and beyond . . .*
we feed the hungry that we serve through our
Northside Christian Food Pantry

December 8th and 9th

Reverse Food Pantry Items. Slips will be distributed the week of December 1/2 for return to the Food Barrels and Tree of Hope/Stable on December 8/9.



Week 3: *As we journey to the stable and beyond . . .*
we help our refugees or those immigrating to
Sheboygan through Catholic Charities

December 15th and 16th

We bring items of personal and household care, and items that will meet the immediate needs of refugees and Latino Immigrants such as food and transportation, diapers, and cleaning supplies. A suggested list of items is on the reverse.

Week 4: *As we journey to the stable and beyond . . .*
we help the Babies served through Mary’s Room

December 22nd and 23rd

We bring gifts of necessary baby supplies for those new moms who are less fortunate in our community. A suggested list of items appears on the reverse side. *Do not wrap these items.*



Suggestions for Nursing Homes, Refugees, & Babies

For our Nursing Homes, bring individual gifts or do a family project and fill a gift bag of several items for a man or a woman - gifts should not be wrapped, gift bags are appreciated. All items should be new. Label gift bags: man or woman, with size, and description of the item(s).

CLOTHING

Men's/Women's Sweaters (all sizes)
Snap Coat Dresses or short night gowns
Socks/Slippers (gripper-type)
Men's & Women's Sweat Shirts (all sizes)
Regular socks/Diabetic socks
Men's shirts
(we have a special need for XL, XXL, XXX)



ENTERTAINMENT

Word Search Books (large print)
Adult coloring books
Simple Games—Uno, Rummikub
CD's & DVD's
300-350 piece puzzles
Photo Albums
Quarters for Bingo
Simple wood or craft kits



HEALTH & BEAUTY

Men's & Women's Perfume/Cologne
Lotions, hand creams
Nail Polish / Remover / Nail Files
Lipsticks and Make up
Jewelry (clip earrings & pins)
Handkerchiefs
Kleenex



MISCELLANEOUS

Baseball caps
Stuffed Animals
Neck rest & Decorative Pillows
Boxes / Organizers
Postage Stamps
Hard Candy, Bagged Candy
Snack Foods, Cookies
Sugar-Free Candy

CARE BUNDLES FOR REFUGEES AND LATINO IMMIGRANTS *

Pick N' Save or other grocery cards
WalMart, Target, Walgreens, CVS cards
Gas Cards
towel, hand towel, washcloth
Feminine Hygiene

Household items-dishes, pots, pans, etc.
Personal Care - socks, undergarments, etc.
Winter Care Kit - Hat, mittens, hand warmers, etc. Bath
Items for kids & teens - toys, earbuds, balls, books, etc.

Cleaning Bundle - Windex, floor cleaner, kitchen cleanser, paper towels
Reading Buddies - New stuffed animal, book (bilingual also) healthy non-perishable snacks (applesauce, crackers, fruit cups)

**Please donate individual items - do not "bundle" them. When clients come to Catholic Charities Office in Sheboygan, they will select the items they actually need, and put them into a "bundle" to take home. Do not wrap items.*

BABY ITEMS FOR MARY'S ROOM

This is a list of some things Mary's Room can always use.
These items should **not** be gift wrapped.



Baby blankets and quilts
Diapers and wipes
Clothing sizes - Newborn to 4T
P.J's sizes - Newborn to 4T
Baby socks and booties
Baby Bath Towels & Crib Sets
Baby Wash & Shampoo