

2019 Lenten Mercy Project

Weekly Giving Initiatives

FEED THE HUNGRY

Week 1: March 9 - 10

Gifts of Love - Avon

Items Needed: canned fruits/vegetables, apple sauce, pasta sauce (plastic jars/canned), canned pasta (spaghetti & meatballs, ravioli etc.), canned soup (esp. chicken noodle – no tomato), meal helpers (boxed potatoes/rice, Hamburger Helper, taco dinner kits etc.), beans (dried/canned), jelly.

Critical needs: toothpaste/shampoo/soap (no sample/travel sizes), floss, toothbrushes, toilet paper, feminine hygiene products, peanut butter, tuna, boxed cereal

GIVE DRINK TO THE THIRSTY

Week 2: March 16 - 17

Little Sisters of the Poor St. Joseph's Residence - Enfield

Items Needed: regular and decaf coffee K-cups, regular and decaf tea, chamomile tea (no other flavors), regular and diet ginger ale, apple juice/apple juice blends, cranberry/cranberry juice blends, 8 oz bottles of water (no other sizes)

CLOTHE THE NAKED

Week 3: March 23 – 24

Social Services - Simsbury

Items Needed: in all sizes, new clothing for men, women and children. Especially needed are socks, t-shirts, briefs, sweatshirts and sweatpants

SHELTER THE HOMELESS

Week 4: March 30 – 31

Mercy Housing and Shelter Corp - Hartford

Items Needed: Soap, shampoo/conditioner, hand/body lotion, toothpaste, toothbrushes, mouthwash, deodorant, disposable razors, feminine hygiene products, baby wipes, hairbrushes/combs, laundry detergent, plastic travel containers for soap, towels, twin sheets, blankets

COMFORT THE SICK

Week 5: April 6 - 7

Veterans Home - Rocky Hill

Items Needed: for men - body wash, baby powder, boxers and briefs (sizes M–4X), white crew socks, jeans (all sizes), open leg sweat pants (all sizes), shower shoes (size 8-13)

RANSOM THE CAPTIVE

Week 6: April 13 - 14

Catholic Charities – Migration, Immigration & Refugee Services - Hartford

Items Needed: laundry/dish detergent, sponges, cleaning agents (Lysol, Pinesol etc.), toiletries for men and women (deodorant, soap, shampoo/conditioner/lotion/powder etc.), small cooking items (baking dishes, pans etc.)