

SAINT MARY SCHOOL
16 SUMMER STREET
SHREWSBURY, MA

December 1, 2020

Dear St. Mary School Family,

Now that we are in the season of Advent, we ponder the anticipation of the birth of Christ with love and joy in our hearts. We, as a school community, have an opportunity to bring some joy into the lives of refugee families who have recently arrived here. The Refugee Ministry is requesting useful items that are needed as the refugees begin their new lives in the United States. Each classroom will be responsible for the following designated items.

Kindergarten:

Dish towels, dish cloths, aluminum foil, plastic wrap, scotch and masking tape, and pad of paper

Grade One:

Tea kettle, tea bags, trash bags (any size), a calendar, map of Worcester, and a US flag

Grade Two:

Stapler, map of USA, dustpan, cleaning rags, paper towels, and wipes

Grade Three:

Serving tray, diapers (all sizes), diaper rash cream, shampoo, conditioner, and toothbrushes

Grade Four:

Laundry detergent, mops, brooms, cleaning supplies, soap for dishes, and toothpaste

Grade Five:

Laundry baskets, trash cans, scissors, and pens and pencils

Grade Six:

Body lotion, hair brushes, combs, deodorant, hand cream, and Chap Sticks

Grade Seven:

Toilet paper, razors, paper towels, shaving cream, hard candy (no chocolate), and plastic food storage bags

Grade Eight:

Hand towels for bathroom, large bathroom towels, face clothes, body powder, and bathroom spray

As lengthy as this list may be, it merely scratches the surface in fulfilling the needs of our newcomers. Through your loving generosity, you will put smiles on the faces of these refugees. Thank you for helping to make their Christmas much brighter. The deadline for sending in these items will be on Friday, December 18th at which time these items will be picked up for delivery. I ask you to kindly adhere to the deadline so that items will not be left behind in school after that particular date.

God bless you for your kindness, and Merry Christmas,

Sr. Rosemarie