

July 6, 2021

To our generous supporters of the West Middlesex Catholic Family of Parishes,

Here is a brief update on the completion of the Migrant Workers Ministry Gift Bag Project.

All 88 gift bags have been delivered to migrant workers at 13 local farms in West Middlesex. A few assorted extra supplies were also donated to local charities in West Middlesex. In addition to the donations received from individuals, we also received donations from the SSVP and the Knights of Columbus of Strathroy.

THANK YOU to all of the donors and to the volunteers who purchased supplies, helped assemble the bags, and make the deliveries. We met workers personally and they were very grateful for this gesture of welcome and thanks on behalf of the Christian community. The gift bags included prayer devotionals, a welcome letter, toiletries, hand sanitizer, PPE masks, and some snacks. Please keep the safety and well-being



of these workers, and their families in your prayers. All donations received were forwarded to St. Christopher's Parish in Forest, and marked for Migrant Worker Ministry. Personal tax receipts will be issued at year-end. All donations received in excess of our local expenses for this project were made available to other deaneries in our diocese to help purchase gift bags and for future Migrant Worker Ministry in our own area.

Thank you everyone for your support for this project!

Deacon Henry