Giving Tree Day A Celebration of Parish Giving Sunday, December 8, 2024 8:00AM to 1:00PM

Nativity Parish Community Center Please come in to drop off your gift and enjoy some hospitality!

Our Nativity community comes together at Christmas time to share in the joy of the birth of Our Lord by caring for and sharing with our needy brothers and sisters. Our Giving Tree partners are listed below. Please choose a gift or gifts from the list and bring it/them to Giving Tree Sunday.

The **Children of Chester** need Christmas gifts. Please go to Nativity's website, <u>www.noolp.org</u>, click on Giving Tree Sign Up Genius, to adopt a child. Please use gift bags to wrap the gifts.

Mother of Mercy Home ministers to families in Kensington, one of the most challenged neighborhoods in Philadelphia. **MOM** requests sweatsuits for the children, women and men they serve.

Father Joe would like us to support Father Mekonnen's parish **St Martin de Porres.** Father Mekonnen was formerly here at Nativity and is requesting gift cards for: CVS, Rite Aid, ShopRite and Fresh Grocer for his parish. Father forwards a scriptural passage with his thanks,

"A generous person will prosper, whoever refreshes others will be refreshed" Proverbs 11:25

Dawn's Place is a haven for women survivors of Commercial/Sexual Exploitation (CSE). With Sister Meaghan SSJ, as the Executive Director and her staff of assistants, the home helps women seeking to rebuild their lives. The Sisters request "Bed-in-a-Bag" for twin beds, towels, water bottles, bath robes, alarm clocks, umbrellas and laundry detergent to assist with this work. You might have unused Kohl's cash to spend towards these donations!

Catholic Social Services is requesting any size diapers, baby clothes sizes 3 months to 4T, baby bottles, A&D ointment, baby shampoo, diaper cream, body wash (for the moms) and new highchairs. Also, Walmart gift cards are helpful for families who come to **CSS** for parenting and baby development classes.

The **Welcome Center** is located on Allegheny Avenue in Philadelphia. Staffed by the Sisters of St. Joseph and a group of volunteers, the **Welcome Center** provides encouragement and support for immigrants who are studying to obtain citizenship. The Sisters are requesting gift cards from Aldi, Amazon, ShopRite, Target and Walmart.

The **Children of Norristown** charity requests twin size bed sheets, men's underwear, children's sweatpants sizes 5-12, baby diapers and supplies, blankets, coats, hats and gloves for children.

Ibanda Baby Home, in Uganda, Africa, is a home for abandoned babies which provides food and shelter for our vulnerable little ones. A check payable to **Building a Bridge to Uganda**, in any amount, will be delivered to the Sisters to assist them in their work.

The **Military Outreach for Willow Grove Air Base** requests gift cards of any amount from Giant, Target, Wawa and Walmart. These cards assist military families in need. Chaplin Tony Repic thanks us especially for the WAWA cards that are used by military members needing assistance in travel.