



# Jesse Tree 2021: Shopping List

Final Gift Return Deadline: **Friday, Dec. 17th**

## Youth/Children's Clothing:

(Gifts to benefit: La Rabida Children's Hospital, Catholic Charities Celebration of Giving, Our Lady of Mercy Parish, Marillac St. Vincent Family Services)

- Child's Coat (ages 6-15)
- Child's Hat/Glove/Scarf (or any combo)
- Infant/Toddler Clothing (size 0 mos. - 5T)
- Unisex Jogging Pants/Sweatshirt (size 6-14)
- Youth/Child's Socks/Underwear Multipack (birth-18 yrs.)
- Youth/Child's Pajamas (birth-18 yrs.)

## Adult Clothing:

(Gifts to benefit: Immigration Ministry, Lincoln Park Community Services, Madonna House, House of the Good Shepherd, The Night Ministry)

- Adult Coat (size S-3XL)
- Adult Hat/Glove/Scarf (or any combo)
- Adult Long Underwear (size S-3XL)
- Adult Hooded Sweatshirt (size S-3XL)
- Women's Sweater or Shirt (size S-XL)

## Staples/Supplies:

(Gifts to benefit: Lincoln Park Community Services, Marillac St. Vincent Family Services)

- Pull-ups/Diapers & Wipes (toddler sizes)
- Twin Size Bedding
- Toilet Tissue (any sized package)

## Children's Gifts/Toys:

(Gifts to benefit: La Rabida Children's Hospital, Madonna House, House of the Good Shepherd. Catholic Charities Celebration of Giving)

- Arts & Crafts Kit or Colored Pencils/Markers
- Barbie Dolls (Fashionista or Career)
- Board Game (any age)
- LEGO City or Junior or Marvel Building Set
- New Children's Books, especially Board Books
- Soccer Ball or Basketball

## Personal Items/Adult Gifts:

(Gifts to benefit: Lakeview Rehabilitation & Nursing Center, Lincoln Park Community Services, Madonna House, House of the Good Shepherd, Marillac St. Vincent Family Services)

- Lotion/Shower Gel Set
- Fleece Blanket
- Toothbrush/Toothpaste
- Men's/Women's Deodorant

**Gift Cards/Financial Contributions:** (Gifts to benefit: H.O.M.E. Immigration Ministry, La Rabida Children's Hospital, Lincoln Park Community Services, The Night Ministry, Our Lady of Mercy Parish, Solidarity Bridge, Marillac St. Vincent Family Services)

- Venra Cards (\$25 or less per card)
- Gift Card to Target, Walgreens, Jewel, Aldi, Amazon (\$25 or less per card)
- Check made out to Solidarity Bridge (any amount)
- Check made out to H.O.M.E. (any amount)
- Cash or check made out to St. Clement to help purchase additional gifts as needed (any amount)

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***Thank you for your generosity!***

# Jesse Tree 2021: Partner Organizations

## **Catholic Charities Celebration of Giving**

Now in its 74<sup>th</sup> year, the Celebration of Giving is a time-honored tradition which provides Christmas gifts to nearly 25,000 individuals who would otherwise receive nothing on Christmas morning. All children, aged 0-18, enrolled in a Catholic Charities program are included, including those in the Refugee Resettlement Program, Domestic Violence Shelters, Youth Mentorship Programs, and those transitioning from homelessness.

## **H.O.M.E (Housing Opportunities & Maintenance for the Elderly)**

Committed to improving the quality of life for Chicago's low-income elderly, H.O.M.E. helps seniors remain independent and part of their community by offering opportunities for intergenerational living and providing a variety of citywide support services.

## **House of the Good Shepherd/Madonna House**

House of the Good Shepherd/Madonna House are residential shelters run by Catholic Charities in the Lakeview neighborhood. Each allows families to remain together after facing domestic violence. Catholic Charities provides families with wrap-around services to help them move to self-sufficiency, offering them home-like environments where families can focus on goals like finding employment and affordable child care.

## **Immigration Ministry**

As part of the Archdiocese's Office for Human Dignity & Solidarity, the Immigration Ministry seeks to build communion between immigrants and non-immigrants, to welcome, empower, and promote immigrants in their formation and integration as full members of society and as people of faith in the one family of God. The Warm Heart, Warm Coat collection gives needed items to our immigrant brothers being held in detention centers in the Chicago area.

## **Lakeview Rehabilitation & Nursing Center**

Lakeview Rehabilitation & Nursing Center is a skilled nursing facility for residents in need of short-term therapy, Alzheimer's and dementia care, and cardiac rehabilitation.

## **La Rabida Children's Hospital**

Located south of downtown Chicago, La Rabida serves more than 9,000 children annually who require primary and specialty care to address complex and challenging medical conditions. Services and programs include treatment for chronic illnesses such as asthma, diabetes, and sickle cell disease, and developmental disabilities. In addition, La Rabida specializes in the treatment of children who have been abused, neglected, or experienced trauma.

## **Lincoln Park Community Services**

Lincoln Park Community Services is a comprehensive social service agency serving adult men and women who are experiencing homelessness. Located in Lincoln Park, LPCS has been providing shelter and other basic needs to our neighbors experiencing homelessness for 35 years. Today, LPCS provides interim housing, meals, and a targeted array of social services to more than 400 individuals each year. LPCS is truly a community-based organization, largely supported by volunteers including parishioners from Saint Clement.

## **The Night Ministry**

The Night Ministry compassionately provides housing, health care, outreach, spiritual care, and social services to adults and youth who experience homelessness, poverty, and loneliness. As an organization that focuses on human dignity, The Night Ministry accepts individuals as they are. Services at The Night Ministry include a Health Outreach Bus that visits seven neighbors each week, a Street Medicine Team that provides care to encampments across the city, and five shelters that house youth and young adults.

## **Our Lady of Mercy Parish**

Saint Clement and Our Lady of Mercy in Albany Park are sharing parishes. Saint Clement supports Our Lady of Mercy, a largely Hispanic and Filipino congregation, financially through the Clement Commits program. Saint Clement parishioners who are attorneys also staff legal aid clinics, offering advice and handling cases for OLM parishioners.

## **Solidarity Bridge**

A Catholic non-profit bringing medical care and surgery to impoverished people living in Bolivia, they have since 1999 provided more than \$39 million worth of in-kind medical supplies and equipment; seen over 63,000 patients; and made possible over 5,900 surgeries. Their mission trips bring U.S. volunteers to Bolivia to heal the poor and aid the Bolivian medical community. They now have 4 year-round programs providing Heart Surgery, General Surgery, Gynecologic Surgery and Neurosurgery, where they train and equip the local medical community to provide surgery for people who could not otherwise afford this life-saving medical care.

## **St. Vincent de Paul Center**

As part of Marillac St. Vincent Family Services, SVDPC has been serving the needs of the working poor of Chicago since 1915. St. Vincent's provides high-quality early childhood programs, comprehensive services for low-income homebound seniors, and is a resource for people who are homeless or at risk of becoming homeless on the north side of Chicago.