



Boxes of Joy

Boxes of Joy is an opportunity for you to provide a Christmas gift to children less fortunate in poverty stricken nations through *Cross Catholic Outreach*.

This year St. Edmunds CCW is encouraging anyone from the parish who would like to participate an opportunity to do so. You may choose to fill a box on your own, donate items that the CCW will pack (there will be a donation box in the vestibule of the Church), or make a monetary donation toward the expense of shipping (\$9.00/Box...please put in an envelope marked *Boxes of Joy*). ***All checks are made payable to St. Edmund CCW.*** At our October meeting, we will prepare the boxes for drop off.

What/How:

Any regular shoebox or plastic box (approximately 12" x 5") will work if you wish to pack your own. ***Boxes, for your use, will also be made available for pick up from the display in the vestibule of the Church.***

Choose Gender: Boy or Girl

Choose Age Group: 2-4 yrs. old; 5-9 yrs. old; 10-14 yrs. old

See reverse side for ideas on what is acceptable.

If you can't make it to the October meeting, filled boxes and monetary donations can be placed in a box that will be located in the vestibule of the Church.

Please pack your boxes as full as possible so items are not moving around inside the box during shipping.

Members of CCW will deliver the boxes to the Drop-Off Center.

Thank you for providing a Christmas gift for a child who would have none!

GIFT IDEAS

KEY REMINDERS

1. Use the provided gift box or any shoebox (approximately 12" x 5")
2. Fill out and attach the Boy/Girl label to box lid if needed
3. Include \$9 check (no cash please) in provided envelope. Place on top of gifts
4. Secure the lid with a rubber band (no tape please)

PERSONAL NOTES & PHOTOS:

We encourage you to write a personal note or handmade Christmas card and share a photo of yourself or family (advisable for parent or teacher to review notes written by children).

TOYS

Handheld Toys
Small Plush Animals
Small Balls (tennis, etc.)
Ball (deflate) with Pump
Cars/Trucks
Dolls
Mini Puzzles
Finger Puppets
Silly Putty
Bean Bag/Hacky Sack
Unopened Fast Food Toys
Binoculars
Legos
Harmonica, Kazoo or Other Small Instrument
Jump Rope
Paddle Ball
Yo-Yo
Slinky
Mini Board Games
Balloons
Craft Kits (Beads, Plastic, etc.)
Pom-Poms
Nail Clippers/Emery Board

SCHOOL SUPPLIES

Pencils, Colored Pencils
Solar Calendar
Pencil Sharpener
Small Board Books
Erasers
Pencil Case
Crayons
Pens, Markers
Rulers
Glue Sticks (No Liquid)
Safety Scissors
Coloring Books
Notepads
Stickers
Self-Inking Stamp
Flash Cards
Dry Paints (no liquid paint)
Bandages

HARD CANDY & GUM

Please seal in Ziploc-style Bag
(No Chocolates)
Lip Balm
Manicure Kit

APPAREL

Socks
Shorts
Underwear
T-Shirts
Flip-Flops
Bandanas
Hats
Shoelaces
Plastic Poncho
Scarf

HYGIENE/HOME

Comb/Brush
Forks & Spoons
Cup/Bottle with Lid
Bar Soap
Toothpaste (In The Box)
Toothbrush and Floss
Duct Tape
Hand Wipes (No Gels)
Tissues

ACCESSORIES

Watch
Purse or Wallet
Sunglasses
Necklace
Hair Ribbons
Hair/Head Bands
Barrettes
Bracelets
Earrings
Cross or Rosary

USEFUL ITEMS

Sewing Kit
Utensils
Compass
LED Keychain
No-Battery Flashlight
Drawstring bag

DO NOT PACK

Food or Beverages ~ Medicines or Vitamins ~ Liquids (Shampoo, Nail Polish, etc.) ~ Gels (antibacterial, etc.) ~ Chocolate ~ Military/Police Toys ~ Toy Weapons ~ Glass/Breakables ~ Knives/Tools

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