

**APPALACHIA KENTUCKY
SHOE BOX MISSION**

It is our hope that
Faith Formation programs, schools,
individual families and parishes
will consider participating in the
Shoe Box Mission.

A thank you note received last year:

I would like to Thank You for the help you gave me and my family. I pray that God Bless each and everyone of you and your families. I really appreciated the toys, clothes and other items that we have received. I was really surprised and happy to see the items that you had given.

*Merry Christmas and a
Happy New Year.*

*I will say a prayer for you too
and would you please do the
same for my family.*

Please visit the
ACCW website

www.accwarchspm.org

BOY

2-4 Years Old

5-9 Years Old

10-14 Years Old

GIRL

2-4 Years Old

5-9 Years Old

10-14 Years Old

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The Archdiocesan Council of Catholic Women has had a Christmas Mission Project for over 30 years, with which parishes of the Archdiocese of Saint Paul and Minneapolis have been involved.

A semi donated by the Terminal Transport Company of Roseville is filled with boxes of unwrapped Christmas gifts donated to three different parish areas in Kentucky. The parishes serve over 600 youth plus families, the elderly and other programs in their area. The need is very great and the people are so grateful for the generosity.

Started in 2013, the Shoe Box Mission is a wonderful addition to the Christmas Mission project. These boxes, the size of a shoebox or a little larger could be filled with school supplies, toys, hygiene items, t-shirts, socks, sunglasses. A personal note may be included to the child and a photo of yourself or your family.

Pope Francis....The Hope of the Poor

1 Shoe Box

Use an empty shoe box or a small plastic container to fill with gifts.

2 Boy or Girl

Determine whether your gift will be for a boy or a girl, and the child's age category: 2-4, 5-9 or 10-14. Use the appropriate boy/girl label from this brochure. Mark the correct age category on the label, and tape the label to the top of your box.

3 Fill With Gifts

Each box should be a mixture of necessary items and something fun. Example: A washcloth, toothbrush, toothpaste, bar soap, deodorant, combs, small hand towel, socks. The brand doesn't matter but you can make it fun for the child by creating a theme. Example: A 2-4 year old boy might like a Bob the builder toothbrush and a small matchbox size bulldozer. You can usually find matching socks, washcloths etc. and just have fun doing it. For fun items these are some ideas: pencils, with a pencil sharpener, markers, writing pads, small cars, trucks, dolls, beanie babies, deck of cards, ball and jacks, mirror, chewing gum, suckers and hard candy (wrapped), hair barrettes, and pony tail binders, beads, bracelets, small pocket size flashlight with extra batteries, yo-yo. Slinky, Barbie doll, anything that is unbreakable.

Religious items are accepted!

4 What NOT to put inside

Cap guns, hand held guns, or action figures that appear violent. No liquids, such as shampoo, lotion, nail polish, perfume, or candy. No unwrapped candy, chocolate or items that will melt.

5 Make it personal

Some like to put a letter inside to the child, and a picture of themselves. If you do this you will have a much better chance of hearing from the recipient if you include a self addressed stamped envelope. If you attach a picture to a note with a simple greeting and you are smiling in the photo they will understand.



*"This is what I want,
a poor church for the poor."*