

## 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](http://www.accwarchspm.org)

- ✓ Shoeboxes should be full.
- ✓ Tie shut or gift wrap.
- ✓ Age & Gender written on each box.  
(Teenage/gender & Adult/Gender)
- ✓ Pack tied boxes in a heavy, sturdy, cardboard box & pack full.
- ✓ If space, pack gifts that would not fit in shoeboxes.
- ✓ Tape the heavy box shut.
- ✓ Write the Name of the Parish & Town on the big box.

### **St. Francis of Assisi Church & School**

147 Bryan St.  
Pikeville, KY 41501  
606-437-6117

### **Queen of All Saints Church**

90 Railroad St.  
P.O. Box 5634  
Beattyville, KY 41311-0563  
606-464-8695

### **Catholic Church of the Good Shepherd**

Sr. Susan Marie Pleiss, OSF  
P.O. Box 473  
Campton, KY 41301

*You may also bring the shoeboxes to Olive's house in large plastic bags and they will be packed into big heavy boxes for the semi.*

### *Thank you for your generosity!*

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# PAPAL FOOTPRINTS



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The Archdiocesan Council of Catholic Women has had a Christmas Mission Project for over 40 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. Each parish serves over 500 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 or Back Packs**

Use an empty shoe box any size (not great big boot boxes). Backpacks for teens. Please do not use cheap plastic boxes as they break very easy.

**2 Boy, Girl or Adult**

Determine whether your gift will be for a boy or a girl, and the child's age category: 2-4, 5-9, 10-14, 15-18 or Adult. Use an appropriate boy/girl/adult label and mark it on a label and tape 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, soap, shampoo, 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, matching socks, washcloths etc. and just have fun doing it. Other 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, pony tail binders, jewelry, small pocket size flashlight with extra batteries, yo-yo. Slinky, Barbie doll, gift cards, wallets, comforter sets, purses, handheld games, anything that is unbreakable.

**Religious items are accepted!**

**4 What NOT to put inside**

No violent toys or guns. Liquids should be put in freezer weight zip lock bags, such as shampoo, lotion, nail polish, perfume, liquid candy. Nothing unwrapped, no chocolate or things 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."*