

2017 Advent Giving Tree

A program of the Social Justice and Outreach Committee

Our annual Giving tree Project has begun and the tree is now ready in the Tower Room. Please help the needy this Christmas by purchasing items to be distributed to the Apostleship of the Sea, Pregnancy Center North, St. Gregory the Great Parish and Marian House. Gifts should be placed in the Undercroft hallway near the kitchen. Please include the Giving Tree tag so we can be certain of the recipient organization.

Recipients of the 2017 Advent Giving Tree

“Apostleship of the Sea Shoebox Program”

- Apostleship of the Sea ministers to international seafarers in the Port of Baltimore. AOS visits the ships providing needed items. AOS is a ministry directed by USA dioceses where ports are located.
- Fill a shoebox with items such as men’s toiletries; notepads, pens and pencils; gloves, scarves, socks; candies and snacks; a small Bible or other reading materials, etc.

(If you will wrap the shoebox this will be greatly appreciated.)

“Pregnancy Center North”

PCN gives pregnant clients a layette filled with baby items, earned through an educational incentive program which teaches prenatal care and parenting skills and life skills, rewarding clients with “mommy money” redeemable in the “Rewards Store.”

- Items Requested: Diapers - all sizes; toiletries (baby wash, lotion, powder) baby wipes.

“Saint Gregory the Great Parish”

Located in West Baltimore, St. Gregory Parish offers food and other necessities to the many needy families who seek help. Some 90-100 persons a day come to the parish for the charitable items they provide.

- Gift Card Requests: especially from Giant, Target or Walmart, for use at these locations.

** Gift cards should be placed in the collection basket at Mass on the weekend of December 2/3 if possible, or to the undercroft the weekend of December 9/10.

“Marian House”

Sponsored by the Sisters of Mercy and the School Sisters of Notre Dame, Marian House helps homeless women through a residential program of counseling and educational and employment training...”from dependence to independence.”

“Special Wish” items this year requested by Marian House are: clock radios, medium-sized plastic food containers and/or gift cards to Walmart, Target or Giant Food.

FINAL DUE DATE FOR ALL GIFTS - SUNDAY, DECEMBER 10, 2017

