



MERCY BAGS

FOR ST MARGARET'S CENTER

In this year of Mercy, the Church calls us to perform Corporal Acts of Mercy. These "are charitable actions by which we help our neighbors in their bodily needs." One way we are answering the call at Visitation, is to assist St. Margaret's Center in providing hygiene bags for the homeless and poor that they serve. The need of St. Margaret's Center is so great that as soon as these bags are available, they are given out. We hope to become a consistent resource for St. Margaret's Center by having a once a month collection of these essential items beginning February 28th.

We are asking each family in the parish to **consider contributing 3-5 Mercy Bags that you assemble at home** and bring to church the weekend of February 28th. CVS and Ralphs each have a travel section with inexpensive kits and products to choose from. Below is the recommended content list from St. Margaret's for the most needed items. Use a large Ziplock for the contents of each Mercy Bag.



- Soap or Body Wash
- Shampoo and Conditioner
- Deodorant
- Body Lotion
- Razors
- Toothbrush and Toothpaste
- Socks (Unisex tube socks)
- Comb
- Chapstick

HOW CAN YOU HELP?

Assemble 3-5 Mercy bags into large Ziplocks at home with your family

Write a brief note of encouragement or have the kids make a card to put in your bags

Bring your Mercy Bags to the back of the church the weekend of Feb 28

Consider making an extra bag or two to keep in your car to give to someone in need.

Contact Dan Smith if you have access to large amounts of these products for donation.

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