

Saint John's Hospice

Ministry to the Homeless



Saint John's Hospice seeks to be a community grounded in faith and service where homeless persons find dignity, respect, nourishment, and opportunities for new beginnings.

Join us in the annual drive to support St. John's Hospice by participating in our **Christmas Shoebox Drive** which provides personal care items to the homeless men of Philadelphia. Please visit their website for more information

www.saintjohnshospice.org.

How can you help?

Gift wrap an empty shoe box, (lid and base separately) with Christmas paper, then fill it with personal TRAVEL SIZE toiletries since many of the men carry their belongings in their pockets. ***The men are in dire need of warm socks – so if you could add a pair to your box that would be great!*** Some suggestions to fill the box are:

Soap
Shampoo/Conditioner
Deodorant
Powder
Comb
Hand Lotion
Hard candies
Warm Gloves and/or Hat
Scarf
Pair of warm socks
Toothpaste and Toothbrush

After you've filled the box, tie it with a piece of holiday ribbon. Note - lids and base are wrapped separately because every box is inspected prior to handing out to ensure ***they do not contain*** razors, over the counter medications, cough syrup, mouthwash, etc.

Then what?

Join us for a great evening and bring your wrapped box to the **Mothers' Guild Christmas Dinner on December 7** commencing with Mass at 7:00 PM. Place your box under the Christmas Trees on the altar.

If you are unable to attend that evening, you or your son may drop it off at the Chapel any time through December 11. Boxes will then be delivered to St. John's Hospice by Mr. Ryan and some of our students.

Still have questions?

Please contact Gloria Abarca at abarcamor@yahoo.com THANK YOU SO MUCH!