Our Lady of Sorrows Season of Giving

"One Family One Hope in Christ"



As the Advent season begins, let us all be reminded how important it is to prepare our hearts during this time of waiting and preparation for Jesus' birthday. For most people, Christmas is a time to celebrate, however, it can also be a difficult time of year for those who are less fortunate than us. The theme of this school year is 'One Family One Hope in Christ'. We *hope* that our community of OLS *families* will join and help contribute to the OLS Season of Giving. Please read below to find out how you can help! We ask that families either chose 1 or 2 or any combination of both and do whatever is most convenient. Our goal is to help those less fortunate and inspire our students appreciate all our blessings, by giving to those less fortunate. However, we also acknowledge some of our own families may also be struggling, and we do not wish to stress or strain the families that have been most affected by COVID. Only do what is possible. On behalf of all the surrounding communities in need, we appreciate the amazing generosity of all our families!

May God Continue to Bless you all!

A) Migrant and Flood Affected Farm Workers Gifts

Our Lady of Sorrows Parish will be hosting a Mass and dinner for the Migrant Farm Workers, who will receive a small gift before they return to the farms. We are asking for donations of the following items to make up the gift packages for the workers. Please be reminded all items MUST be purchased brand new (no used items will be accepted). Socks, toques, toothbrushes, toothpaste (regular size), razors and deodorant.

B) Class Christmas Family

There are many families with children who need our help this year to brighten their Christmas spirits. Typically, we would accept gift items, however, this year we are asking for donations of gift cards to help these families purchase what they need. Some suggestions for gift cards include **Superstore**, **Walmart**, **Safeway etc.**

All these requested donations will be due by **Wednesday December 15**th, which is the day of our school Christmas concert. In addition to bringing them to your classroom teacher, you can also bring them to Office or drop them into the bins at back of the Church when you attend the concert.

Thank you in advance for your support and contributions to the <u>OLS</u> <u>Season of Giving!</u>