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# 2020 Spring Newsletter

## HAPPY EASTER

**Together** we are witnesses to unique and evolving changes in our community and country. So many have shared both positive and sad stories. Our faithful, dedicated volunteers inspire us to prayerfully reflect on this shared journey. We are grateful for their hands-on commitment behind the scenes, springing into action, helping in any way they are needed. Each and every task is done by a volunteer. These volunteers pick up, receive food, and weigh donations. They organize the food, shop for our clients, and the list goes on. We value our time and live through Jesus' message by spending it to help others. Our volunteers have been vital in the effort to provide Food and Basics. The organization has made all necessary changes in alignment with our prioritization of safety. Per the Nashua Department of Public Health, we are operating with an emphasis on social distancing with all client interactions held outdoors in the pantry driveway.

**Rising with Faith,** Corpus Christi will work with important community partners that provide nourishment to some of the most vulnerable people in our community. Coronavirus/COVID-19 pandemic will significantly impact our community. The temporary ban on housing evictions and The President's stimulus package will help people - however many had problems prior to the outbreak. Nothing is guaranteed in this life -health, wealth, employment- the uncertainty is overwhelming. Need will be greater than ever. Do you know someone that needs us? PLEASE do not hesitate to reach out. These unprecedented times may bring unexpected circumstances beyond our control. It is a blessing to count on the support of those such as yourselves, we are grateful to have the opportunity to keep you in our prayers.



### Seasonal Pantry Wish List

Nonperishable items, including but not limited to:

- Corned beef hash, canned ham (shelf stable)
- Jelly/jam
- Fruit cups and Juice Boxes
- Mayonaise, salad dressing
- Pasta sauce, macaroni and cheese
- Healthy snacks
- Hamburger Helper, Rice and Pasta Sides
- Paper Towel, Toilet Paper, Dish Detergent
- Paper Products such as Kleenex, toilet paper, paper towel

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## 20 "OFFERINGS" for 2020

Did you know? Your generous donations enable us to continue to offer ...

1. **Easter Food Distribution.** On Ash Wednesday, Corpus Christi began the registration sign-ups for EASTER FOOD. The distribution is planned for Wednesday, April 8th. We will give away ham, potatoes, vegetables and lots more to 200 families.
2. **Non-Perishable Food** is always available for our clients, covering breakfast, lunch and dinner.
3. **Dairy items,** milk, eggs and butter are purchased through grant money and financial donations.
4. **Fresh Rescue Programs** through the New Hampshire Food Bank provide frozen meat, produce and bakery items.
5. **Warm winter coats,** boots, hats and mittens.
6. **Cleaning supplies,** paper towel, and dish detergent are few special items we offer with donations from the "Light of the World" Church.
7. **School socks** and underwear.
8. **Birthday Gifts** are available for children all year long. A special Thank You to the Nashua Lions Club and employees of Connection, Inc. for helping us to continue this tradition.
9. **First Aid Kits.** The friends of the "What Not Shop" at the Hunt Community got us off to a great start with First Aid items to offer our clients.
10. **Linens, blankets and kitchen items** are offered to those clients who have recently moved.
11. **Fans** are given out during the summer.
12. **Thanksgiving** 200 Turkeys and Fixings.
13. **Annual Christmas Bazaar** holiday decoration giveaway for all clients during the Thanksgiving Turkey pickup.
14. **Rent hardship assistance** is available to individuals or families who are experiencing difficult times.
15. **Utilities:** Electric and Heat. A medical injury, lost job, cut hours, or car repair means someone comes up short.
16. **Gasoline Cards** for medical appointments
17. **Dental Care** in Emergency Cases
18. **Medical prescription help**
19. **Books and CDs** through our small Library
20. **Baby diapers and wipes** go quickly and are highly appreciated.

*Thank you for your contributions and support as we continue our ongoing mission of serving others.*

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*For I was hungry and you gave me something to eat,  
I was thirsty and you gave me something to drink,  
I was a stranger and you invited me in,  
I needed clothes and you clothed me,  
I was sick and you looked after me.*  
**Matthew 25:35**

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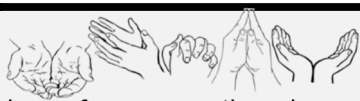
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*Truly I tell you, whatever you did for one of the least of these brothers and sisters of mine, you did for me.*

**Matthew 25:40**



Thank you for your continued support and

### Acts of Kindness

The Students at the Infant Jesus and Bishop Guertin Schools have volunteered at the pantry sorting food. Parish families and countless individuals drop off food every week. Local businesses such as Jeanottes Market, civic groups including the Boy Scouts, Nashua Rotary Clubs, Postal Workers and more help us to stock our shelves. A special thank you to ALL our financial partners, local Catholic Parishes and Worship Churches. Every act of kindness and generosity is important, especially as we reach out to all those in need during this time. Every dollar every can of soup and every hour of volunteer time will make a difference!



*You are my shepherd, always  
at my side. You stand by me,  
leading and guiding. You  
console and comfort me. You  
forgive my sins. You love me.*

**John 8:1-11**



### A Family of Faith Standing Tall

Our dedicated volunteer and driver, Norm, is one-of-a-kind and a valued member of the team. But like so many others, Norm is advised to stay home during this global health crisis. His family was concerned and knew of his important role at the pantry. Much to our surprise, his daughter Beth, made herself available immediately to assist in Norm's place. She volunteered to ride alongside, learning his route in a flash! These gestures and generous time commitments are what enable Corpus Christi to proceed each day. We thank the Laplante Family for their time and support, for stepping up during such a difficult time.