



St. Elizabeth- St. Brigid Parish presents

Blessings in a Backpack

Collection Begins Aug. 19th-Sept. 4th

10 Children in all grade levels need:

- #2 Pencils- Ticonderoga
- Large erasers (2, latex free if possible)
- Highlighters (middle & high school only, 3 colors)
- Pens (blue, black and red- middle & high school only)
- Pencil cases (middle & high school), box (elementary school)
- Dry erase markers (fine tip- elementary & middle school only)

Did you know that poverty has increased in Somerset County, over 246% in the last four years? We have poverty here within the parish family.

5 Elementary School students also need:

- Crayola markers (wide tip & fine tip-washable)
- Crayola crayons
- Notebook (1 subject- 70 pages)
- 2 pocket folders
- Sticky notes (4 pads)
- Elmer's glue stick (washable)

Children in poverty often lack the necessary school supplies so critical to academic achievement. Helping a child to be prepared and confident for school reduces truancy, promotes learning and builds positive self-esteem.

3 Middle School students also need:

- Composition notebooks (2)
- Colored pencils
- Index cards
- 3 hole loose leaf paper
- Graph Paper (loose leaf)
- Double pocket folders
- 1 inch 3 ring binders (4)
 - Dividers
- Fine tip sharpies (blue, black & red)

How YOU can help:
Our goal is to help a minimum of ten parish families. Please consider donating items from the list given to us by the local schools. We do ask that they be new items.

2 High School students also need:

- 2 inch 3 ring binders (5)
 - Dividers
- Notebooks (3 subject)
- TI-84 Calculator

We will gladly accept donations of checks made out to the parish, and cash or gift cards in envelopes marked Blessings in a Backpack. Drop them in the collection basket or bring them to the Parish Center for Religious Education. For questions call 908 234-1524.

