



# THE CHRIST CHILD SOCIETY

October 2016

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## Mission Statement

The South Bend Chapter of The Christ Child Society is a not-for-profit organization of volunteers dedicated to the personal service and clothing of all needy children and infants in the love and spirit of the Christ Child.

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## At the Center: Sunday September 11



Linda Wray, Michael Choinacky oversaw boxing jeans.



Ladder needed to store boxes up high.



Shoe room high shelves complete project.

Not only was the Clothing Center busy with clients (51 families, 134 children) on September 11, but we were also crazy busy with 48 student volunteers! They came from St. Joe High School, Jefferson Intermediate (Michael Choinacky's class) and St. Adalbert on this wonderful day.

These assisted clients with their bags, staffed the clothing/shoe rooms, helped at checkout with the books, moved inventory, boxed up 1800 pairs of jeans by size (80 boxes), and stored them on the highest shelf in the shoe room. We are using all of the storage space we can find in the Center.

Thank you to all who gave of their time and talent, members and volunteers alike. We are blessed to see so many dedicated to our mission.

## CALENDAR

Oct 5,12,19,26..... Clothing Center  
Open for Clients 8:30 AM

Oct 2,23.... Center Open for Clients  
**Sunday** 1-3 PM

Oct 17..... Board Meeting  
Dickinson Room SJCP 10:15 AM

Oct 20..... Fall Luncheon  
Windsor Park

Oct 25..... In Memoriam Mass  
Little Flower 8:00 AM

## Data Updates

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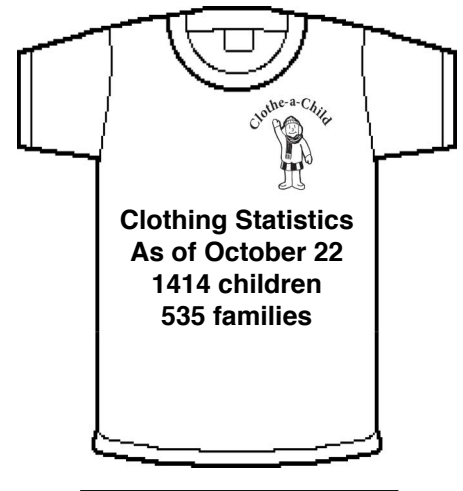
## From the Co-President . Debbie Spillman

By the time this newsletter goes to print, the Christ Child Clothing Center will have been open ten times this year. As you would expect, members have been working diligently in all the departments to fill orders and then refill the shelves. But there's more to our operation than this. In recent weeks, we have put forth a great effort to organize the stockrooms. With the help of student volunteers, a large number of clothing boxes have been labeled and rearranged. It is rewarding to see storage areas organized and accessible for each department.

In addition to the stockroom work, there has been an exciting buzz of excitement as we welcome a group of new buyers. In the past we only had one buyer who purchased all the clothing for distribution. Now there are multiple buyers who are in charge of purchasing specific items. This is our first year with this new concept. Even though this has been an educational process for everyone, it has been a positive experience.

Remember the Fall Luncheon is on Thursday, October 20, at Windsor Park Conference Center. Please mail your reservations by October 10. Do not wait until after that date and expect that we will have additional seating. There have been problems with this situation for past events, so please send in your reservations as early as possible.

The Christ Child Society exists because of everyone's hard work. Thank You!



## Calling Gift Wrappers

It's that time of year again - time to volunteer to gift wrap at the Notre Dame Book Store for the Christ Child Society. Sign-up sheets will be available at the Center beginning Wednesday, October 5th. The schedule extends from Thursday, December 15th through Christmas Eve.,

If you have any questions or cannot make it to the Center, please contact Cathy Mathews at [cathmath@sbcglobal.net](mailto:cathmath@sbcglobal.net) or 847-278-0049 or Marie Burt at [joe.burt11@gmail.com](mailto:joe.burt11@gmail.com) or 574-271-5987.

Thank you for your help

## Book Club

*Winter Garden*

by Kristin Hannah

October 18

Mary Jane Chase (233-7977)

## Save the Date

**Day of Reflection**

**February 22**

**at**

**Moreau Seminary**



On Sunday, August 21, 18 student and parent volunteers together counted and packaged 13,000 Clothe-A-Child II dolls into stacks of 250. These dolls 500 per package were delivered to Martin's Supermarkets, Notre Dame Federal Credit Union and Mutual Bank. A great big thank you to all who helped.

Deadline for November newsletter  
October 17  
Ann Korb (277-6443)  
[ACK339@aol.com](mailto:ACK339@aol.com)

# Clothe-A-Child 1 Raises \$80,000 in 2015-2016

Members and friends of The Christ Child Society have a great fondness for the children in our community and because of that, \$80,000 was raised in 2015-2016 for the Clothe-A-Child I Campaign. Thank you for making this fund raiser so-o-o successful. Many infants and children will be warmer this winter because of your generosity.

As we begin to celebrate our South Bend Chapter's 70th year in serving infants and children, we know we must continue to raise funds to succeed in our work of love. The Clothe-A-Child I campaign for 2016-2017 will begin in November, 2016. Our wish is that you will continue to give to the children in our area who have so little and need our help. Please consider a donation to this campaign, knowing that each gift is so appreciated by children and parents who visit the Center.

Names of last season's donors are published in this newsletter issue. Thank you again for your support.

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## Gifts and Memorials

The beautiful Gold Christ Child Remembrance Card is a convenient way to send donations in any amount to the Christ Child Society, as an In Memoriam or in recognition of a special occasion or accomplishment. A donation can be made in memory of deceased friend or relatives who will also be remembered in a perpetual monthly Mass. The card also makes it possible to celebrate happy occasions such as birthdays and anniversaries in the same way. When requesting a Remembrance Card, members are asked to print legibly since the names will be printed in each newsletter with the donor's name in parentheses. Extra cards are available in the office or from Joan Hardig (277-7787)

### In Memoriam

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### In Memoriam

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**Special Occasion**  
 Carol Baranko - 80<sup>th</sup> Birthday (Richard/ Sharon Wagner)  
 Anne Bowman - Improved Health (Jim/ Nancy Yohe)  
 Sheila Emge - Honor (Kathleen Lawton, Margaret Stumpf)  
 Mary Lee Janiak (Carol Bauer)

## Guardian Angels

A special membership category was established in 1998. A one time \$1000 enrollment fee for deceased members, spouses, family and friends benefiting the Christ Child Society Endowment Fund, will insure the Society's ability to continue the future good works.



The Guardian Angels are remembered monthly and each year at our

annual Mass.

Current members and spouses may enroll in the program as living angels and will be officially as Guardian Angels enrolled upon their deaths.

Please refer any questions to Sheila Emge (277-6421)

**New Angel** Hilda E. Taylor  
**Living Angel** Dorothy Rowland



Layette department workers area (back) Mary Heller, Jane Horning and Kathy Roberts and (front) Mary Ann Wasniewski, Mandy Skwarcan, B.J.O'Brien and Chris Reilly.

Chairman Kay Houser describes a layette: "Each one has a crib blanket, two receiving blankets, a hooded bath towel, four onsies, four sleep and play, three grow bags, four pair socks, one outfit with a long pair of pants, a matching get onsies and a jacket, a three pack of bottles and a *Good Night Moon* book. In winter a fleece sleeper and a pram suit are added.

"In addition we make a package of used clothing trying to include one outfit for each next growth period. If we have hand made sweaters and hats, we also include those. Everything is put in a bag and a card attached that the hospital social worker completes and sends back to the Center so we can enter the child into our system. We call both hospitals every week to see how many layettes they need and we deliver that number to the hospitals."

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Join us for the Annual  
**CHRIST CHILD LUNCHEON MEETING**  
Thursday, October 20, 2016  
Windsor Park Conference Center at 11:30 AM.

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_ Number of reservations at \$25.00 \_\_\_\_\_ total enclosed  
(Make checks payable to Christ Child Society)

Your check for \$25 is your payment and RSVP.

Mail your check by October 10th to  
Christ Child Society, PO Box 1286, South Bend 46624.  
It helps us plan if you make your reservations early.

If you have any questions,  
contact Marti Moriconi or Mary Lou Mullen.

Note: Remember to mail your checks to the Center. Megan will enter the checks into the system, making it easier for all.