

Mary of Magdala, ECC - 2022 Lenten Project

COLLECTION OF GOODS

This year, during Lent, we will collect items needed by several charities that our community has supported in the past. The Mary of Magdala Social Justice committee will provide a bin for collecting supplies in the church vestibule.



March 13: [Family Housing Network](https://www.familyhousingnetwork.org/) (FFH) supports families experiencing homelessness to achieve sustainable self-sufficiency. MoM will collect cleaning products especially laundry pods, dryer sheets, bleach, after shower spray, multi-purpose spray (Spic and Span is great), liquid dish soap, dish

detergent pods, paper towels, sponges with a scrubber side, Comet type cleaner. (Website: <https://www.familyhousingnetwork.org/>)



March 20: [Homeward Alliance](https://www.homewardalliance.org/) empowers individuals and families who face homelessness to survive, move forward and thrive. Please visit [their Fall/Winter 2021-22 most needed items list](#) for suggestions on products to donate. As we approach Spring, Homeward Alliance primarily needs personal/travel-sized hygiene products (deodorant, shampoo, soaps), sunscreen, toothpaste and toothbrushes, men's (boxers, M & L size) and women's underwear, tube socks, hats, and book bags or day pack

(Website: <https://www.homewardalliance.org/>)



March 27: The [Food Bank for Larimer County](https://foodbanklarimer.org/) ensures that those in our community who are hungry have convenient access to free, healthy, and nutritious food. In addition to food, the Food Bank provides sanitary items for the young and elderly and so we are collecting disposable biodegradable infant diapers and adult undergarments.

(Website: <https://foodbanklarimer.org/>)

Do you need items picked up?

If you attend Mass over zoom, contact any member of the Social Justice ministry to arrange for your donations to be picked up at your home. Contact Tom Moos (tjmoos@aol.com), Lisa Jones (lpjones99@yahoo.com), Jean Christen (christenj322@gmail.com), David (dcloyd@prodigy.net) or Cindy (ccloyd@prodigy.net) Cloyd, or Len Russ (lenandgin@yahoo.com).

ALMS GIVING

Please consider almsgiving to your choice of the following organizations during Lent.



Dominican Sisters Relief Fund - Ukraine:

Poland has already received over 500,000 Ukrainian refugees and many more are expected. In response to a plea from a sister Ecumenical Catholic Communion community in Poland, the Mary of Magdala Leadership Council has agreed to match up to \$2000 in donations for the Polish Dominican Sisters who are "working the front lines" welcoming and serving Ukrainian refugees who are fleeing to Poland.

For your convenience, Mary of Magdala is hosting a [We Share online donation system](#). Please use the [One-

time] donation option. Alternately, you can give a **check made out to “Mary of Magdala” with “Dominican Sisters Relief Fund” in the memo line** and either drop off the check in the collection basket or mail to Mary of Magdala, ECC, 301 E Stuart Street; Fort Collins, CO 80525.

If you prefer, you can also donate directly to the Sisters via their Facebook page:

<https://www.facebook.com/fundacijadominikanek> but cannot be counted towards the Leadership Council match.

Local Organizations

The Social Justice committee also recommends local organizations serving immigrants. Donate directly via the [Donate] link on the organization’s website, or by **making a check out directly to the charity** and dropping it in the collection basket or sending the check to Mary of Magdala, ECC; 301 E Stuart Street; Fort Collins, CO 80525. All received checks will be forwarded directly to the charity. These donations are not matched.



ISAAC: The Interfaith Solidarity and Accompaniment Coalition is a voice for immigration justice in Northern Colorado. Their mission as people of conscience is to draw on the teachings of our faiths to work in solidarity for human dignity and immigration justice. All immigrants are welcomed, recognized and accompanied in co-creating healing communities towards completion of their journeys. [Donate online here.](#)



Fuerza Latina: is a grassroots organization founded in 2006. Since then its volunteer driven team has provided legal, housing, medical, food, and accompanying resources with compassion and love to hundreds of immigrant families in Northern Colorado.

[Donate online via Paypal or credit card by clicking the Donate link here.](#)



Casa De Paz: provides shelter and support services for recently released detainees of the Aurora ICE Processing Center or for families of detainees who have traveled to Colorado to visit a loved one. The staff and volunteers work to create peace and stability with immigrant families and to reunite families separated by ICE, one simple act of love at a time. [Give online here.](#)