



CHRIST CHILD SOCIETY[®] OF SOUTH BEND

Honoring our past. Embracing our future.

2366 Miracle Lane
Mishawaka, IN 46545
574 288 6028
info@christchildsb.org

Summer 2022

Calendar

June

1, 7, 8, 14, 15, 21, 22, 28, 29,

Open for members
9:00 AM to 1:00 PM

20 Board Retreat, 9:00 AM to
1:00 PM

25 In Memoriam Mass - Little
Flower 8:30 AM

July

5, 6, 12, 13, 19, 20, 26, 27,

Open for members
9:00 AM to 1:00 PM

18 Board Meeting -Desmond
Conference Room 10:00 AM

23 In Memoriam Mass - Little
Flower 8:30 AM

August

3 **Clothing Center Training
Day** begins at 8:30 AM

4 **Community Open House
4:00 to 6:30**

10 **Clothing Center Opening
Day** 8:30 - 10:00 AM

15 Board Meeting - Desmond
Conference Room 10:00 AM

15 Fall Newsletter Deadline

25 In Memoriam Mass - Little
Flower 8:30 AM

Clothing Distribution

Wednesday, 10, 17, 24, 31
8:30 - 10:00 AM

Thursday, 11, 18 5:00-6:30 PM

Sunday, 28 1:00-2:30 PM

Barbara Dillon Receives Mary Virginia Merrick Award

Barbara Dillon was the recipient of the Mary Virginia Merrick award presented at the 2022 Spring Luncheon on March 14. The award is presented biennially to a member who has given outstanding service and support to the Chapter.

Barbara was one of the charter members of The Christ Child Society of South Bend when Puddy Crowley began the chapter in 1947. Barbara's early job was to keep records on index cards of clients served, noting the client's name, number of children, children's ages, and sizes of clothing given. Today, five Intake Room volunteers process this information on computers. She also chaired Used Clothing for a time.

In the early years, approximately 20 agencies and schools, plus the Township Trustee, provided referrals to CCS of families needing assistance. Today there are approximately 135 referral agencies and schools helping CCS serve the community.

In addition to her devotion to The Christ Child Society, Barbara and her husband, Joe, raised four wonderful sons: Joe Jr. (Anamilena) of South Bend, Terry (Linda Sikorski) of California, Mike (Connie) from Tennessee and John (Milexa) of South Bend. She has six grandchildren and six great-grandchildren. Mike and Connie traveled from Tennessee to attend the Spring Luncheon honoring Barbara.

The entire Chapter congratulates Barbara for this well-deserved award. Thank you for your dedicated service to The Christ Child Society and your continuous support of the mission.



Kathy Seidl presents the Mary Virginia Merrick Award to Barbara Dillon.

Without the dedication of Puddy Crowley, Barbara Dillon and the other charter members of The Christ Child Society, the South Bend Chapter would not have grown into the organization it is today.



Bishop Kevin Rhoades poses with Barbara Dillon at the Spring Luncheon.

What's the Buzz?

Patti Banet
Co-President

Spring flowers have popped up and green leaves adorn the trees. (My favorite time of year!) It's been a long winter, however, the Christ Child Clothing Center has been abuzz with activities and events.

We kicked off a Year of Celebration for our 75th Anniversary!



February brought us a new Administrative Assistant. Welcome, Lexie Fisher!

In March we held the first Spring Luncheon in 2 years. We were so thrilled to be able to honor and celebrate Barbara Dillon, one of the charter members of our organization.

On May 4, we held our third annual Diaper Drop and collected over 59,000 diapers to distribute to partnering organizations!

May 5, we were able to finally hold the Derby Day Luncheon. The hats dazzled as well as the time period fashion show from the 40's to the 90's.

May 11, we held the Informational Coffee for new members. Volunteers led tours of the facility as others explained each department.

Now, as we head into summer our dedicated volunteers stock our shelves and racks to serve the children in our community for another school year when we open on August 10.

But before we open, we will welcome the community to the Clothing Center at an Open House on August 4, commemorating the founding of CCS in August of 1947.

Many blessings for a safe, healthy - and busy - summer!

Willing Volunteers+Books+Eager Readers = SUCCESS

Since 1999, the partnership between The Christ Child Society and St. Adalbert Catholic School has served the evolving academic, cultural and relational needs of students, grades PreK to 8. CCS has provided mentors, tutors, office support, birthday cupcakes and books through the ongoing support of the Library and annual participation in the National Day of Service projects which focus on challenging poverty one child at a time through literacy.

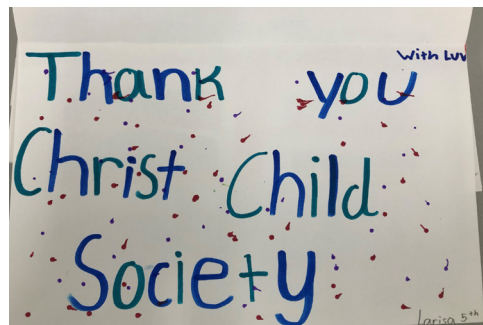
Literacy support became more focused in 2010 when member Jean Fuehrmeyer began helping out Notre Dame students who tutored as part of an ACE partnership. By 2014, Jean was the 'school librarian,' interacting with students, supervising and growing the book collection while fostering a love for reading and learning. Throughout the years, CCS tutoring and literacy support led to documented increases in reading scores and an increase in student reading.

Thanks to experienced librarian Rosanne Cordell, the collection is being properly cataloged to prepare

the students for using high school and public libraries. Through instruction in research and other library skills, students are benefiting in ways that were not available to them in the past.

Would you consider helping out with the library and changing the trajectory of a child's life? Another in-person volunteer is needed to help with the classes. Volunteers can work flexible hours and tasks, from checking books in and out, to helping present some of the engaging student lessons prepared by Rosanne.

Contact Rosanne Cordell at 574-514-0707 or rosanne.cordell@gmail.com.



Thank you notes from St. Adalbert students, sent after CCS provided a field trip to the South Bend Symphony as part of their music curriculum.

Help Wanted!

Want to become a more active volunteer? Consider these exciting opportunities!

Auditor - a once a year responsibility to audit CCS books and important documents.

In-Kind Donations/Receiving Coordinator - a new position - involves processing donations.

Derby Day Chairs - check page 6 to see how much fun this can be!

Marketing Committee - write bulletin announcements or press releases, take pictures, and more!

Not sure where you might 'fit in'? Come to the training on August 3 or call the office. You are needed!



Diaper Drop – A Continued Success

For the third consecutive year, this community gave overwhelming support to the CCS Diaper Drop, the Mother's Day week collection of diapers for moms and babies in need.

An astounding 59,000 diapers were delivered to six agencies that have consistently referred families to the Clothing Program: Center for the Homeless, El Campito Child Development Center, La Casa de Amistad, St. Margaret's House, St. Vincent de Paul Society, and YWCA. The CCS Foster Hope program also received diapers.

Although the event occurred on May 4, collections also occurred in the preceding weeks at Christ the King Lutheran Church; the Catholic parishes of Saint Pius X, Little Flower, Corpus Christi and St. Anthony de Padua; and First United Methodist Church of Mishawaka with Fig Leaf Boutique. Collectively, these supportive sources donated 9,982. Weichert Realty once again embraced the Diaper Drop by asking its agents to participate, collecting 8,143 diapers. The Sterling Group, a new pre-collection site, donated 1,463 diapers.

Diaper donations are often inspired by heartwarming stories. A retired Michigan doctor donated over 1,000 diapers in memory of his sister and to honor his daughter both of whom share a May 4 birthday. He wrote a poem referencing the financial stress inflation has caused and recited it for the volunteers:

*Diapers, diapers everywhere, And not a drop did leak;
Diapers, diapers everywhere, Oh, what a price increase.*

One woman brought over 800 diapers, purchased with her bonus check after watching a WSBT report on the Diaper Drop. She wanted to repay the assistance she received when her children were young. CCS member Mary Ann Chandler once again collected 1,400 diapers in lieu of birthday gifts. Shortly after the event, St. Joseph Grade School collected over 9,000 diapers as students earned a dress down day for bringing them in.

Sincere thanks to all who made this year's Diaper Drop a success, including the two dozen volunteers who worked behind the scenes both prior to and during the event. This mighty force makes an enormous difference in the lives of those served by CCS.



Pat Falvey takes diapers delivered by Dr. Rademacher who drove from Michigan to donate diapers.



Chair Debbie Low loads a car for diaper delivery to El Campito.



CCS President, Monique Deguara, delivers diapers to Las Casa de Amistad.



WNDU filmed the action as Co-Chair Lisa Smessaert, Kae Sobczyk, Linda Botich and Melissa Baltz count incoming diapers.

Executive Board

Co-Presidents
Monique Deguara
Patti Banet
President Elect
Sue Seall
Vice President (Fundraising)
Lisa Smessaert
Vice President (Membership)
Melissa Baltz
Vice President (Clothing)
Betsie Pendarvis
Vice President (Communications)
Beth Barrett
Board Secretary
Ruth Nieboer
Treasurer
Elizabeth Van Doren

The Clothing Centers: 75 Years of Growth and Expansion

When Puddy Crowley gathered her friends to create the South Bend Chapter of The Christ Child Society, she could never have imagined the large, bright building that serves as the Clothing Center today, on land that was barely developed in the 1940's.

The first members sewed layettes, distributed First Communion dresses and found other needs to fill such as answering children's Christmas letters with gifts. Soon, clothing for older children was added and in 1950 they had given out 66 Layettes, 20 First Communion dresses and clothing for 101 children. In February of 1955, the Chapter moved into a 7-room apartment at 127 1/2 East Jefferson Blvd. to accommodate clothing storage for their climbing numbers. Immediately dubbed "The Center," it was open every Wednesday from 9:30 to 4:00. Some things don't change much!

Word came three years later that the building housing The Center was



The South Bend Tribune featured this picture on August 4, 1957 of Josephine Brennan and Grace Dempsey unlocking the door of the new CCS Clothing Center on East Jefferson.



The Clothing Room in Sacred Heart School, 1960.

being torn down. Mr. William Sheehan had given CCS this space rent free, so it was a big disappointment. But the Christ Child always provides and soon, Dr. Ed Cain gave the Chapter space at 226 West Colfax rent free for up to 2 years.

The Chapter's spiritual advisor, Fr. Sabo, suggested moving into the former Sacred Heart School at 1130 West Thomas St. With 420 members, 683 children clothed and 69 layettes distributed, the Chapter eagerly agreed. They worked with a building advisory team and Peter Schumacher's construction company to verify the soundness of the building and develop a construction plan for modifications.

Although they moved on August 15, the Feast of the Assumption, the formal opening was November 6, 1960 with Bishop Pursely blessing the building during an open house celebration. That was a very busy year because the South Bend Chapter hosted the National Convention in the Pick-Oliver Hotel.

By 1972, the condition of the school building had deteriorated and safety concerns were raised by the city. The estimated cost for improvements

was \$50,000. President Mildred Flannigan's report noted that representatives from the city and the diocese held an emergency meeting with chapter leadership on September 29 and they came to the conclusion that The Center must move.

In December, the Diocese offered use of the now vacant Sacred Heart Church on Thomas Street. With profits from the sale of some securities and a \$1,000 check from the Bishop, improvements such as new downspouts, roof repairs, electrical and plumbing upgrades and painting began. Extensive remodeling took place in the lower level, providing storage space for the Bazaar Committee and a large meeting room for gatherings and work projects.

Members got creative with the choir loft storage area, successfully 'heaving' big bags of clothing from storage down to the work areas. Every inch of space was used as 2369 children were clothed the next year.

Through the years at the Clothing Center on Thomas Street, processes became more efficient, computers were introduced to keep client

continued on page 7



The controlled chaos of Thomas Street.

Mothers Day Tributes

Special donations made to The Christ Child Society in love, admiration and gratitude



- Melissa Baltz ~ In honor of Cailin Kennedy, Chelsea Yoo and Susan Cress
 Denise and Bob Blanche ~ In memory of Marian Wendowski
 Diane Boehnlein ~ In memory of Irene Pinegar
 Marie Brady ~ In memory of Catherine Horan Brady and Mary Dunn Zengeler
 Maureen and Thomas Cahir ~ In memory of Rosaleen "Puddy" Crowley
 Mary Ann Chandler ~ In memory of Claire Chandler and Mary Hosinski
 Melanie Chapleau ~ In memory of Renee Chapleau Moore
 Suzanne Cierzniak and Jeanine Wideman ~ In memory of Lillian Lipetska
 Diane Coiro ~ In memory of Evadna "Shuy" Claeys
 Ms. Antoinette Colangelo ~ In memory of Anna Dettore
 Tricia Troester Collins ~ In memory of Kathy Troester
 Alice Crowley ~ In memory of Rosaleen "Puddy" Crowley
 Kathleen Daley ~ In memory of Kay McComb
 Monique and John Deguara ~ In memory of Monica Ledwith
 Marcia and Tom Desmond ~ In memory of Jeanne Desmond and In honor of Kathy Mikula and Mary Liddell
 Patricia Diedrich ~ In memory of "Sue" Diedrich
 Jack Egenhoefer ~ In memory of Rita Egenhoefer
 Ms. Sheila Emge ~ In memory of Grace Dempsey
 Mr. and Mrs. Ken Farwig ~ In memory of Delores Koch, Edna Farwig and Frances Farwig
 Jill and Phil Foster ~ In memory of Lois Campbell and Lorraine Foster
 Debbie and Craig Foy ~ In honor of Alice Szumski and Mary Foy
 Susan Ganser ~ In memory of Anne B. Ganser
 Betty Ann Gibbons ~ In memory of Betty Kelly McGinn
 Suzy and John Halloran ~ In memory of Elaine Seaman and Teresa Holloran
 Joan and Ed Hardig ~ In honor of Pauline Quinlan and Rosemary Hardig
 Charlene and Tony Hutti ~ In memory of Elizabeth Lenyo and Virginia Hutti
 Jean and Richard Johnson ~ In honor of Joan H. Johnson
 Judy and Jerry Kerns ~ In memory of Nonny and Grandma
 James E. Kelly ~ In memory of Mary Ann and Stephen T. McTigue
 Kathy and Kevin Killilea ~ In memory of Toni Kowalski
 Knapp Family ~ In memory of Evelyn Knapp
 Mary and Tom Liddell ~ In memory of Jeanne Desmond and Ruth G. Liddell
 Anne Hosinski Madden ~ In memory of Martha Mitten Hosinski
 Marge Marley ~ In memory of Brigid Griffin
 Mr. and Mrs. Gregory Mee ~ In memory of Mary Lapka Madar
 Nancy and Del Meyer ~ In honor of Marilyn Heiserman
 Mary Pat and Dick Nussbaum ~ In memory of Mary Patricia Leyes
 Jacqueline Holt Paletta ~ In honor of Carol Holt
 Rolande and Roger Parent ~ In memory of Our Mothers - Cecile & Blanche
 Linda Rakow ~ In honor of Grace Bollinger
 Sue and Rick Seall ~ In honor of Mary Carmola Brehl
 Laura Sisti ~ In memory of Anita Ransberger
 Mandy Skwarcan ~ In memory of Jackie Overholser (Aunt) and Virginia Michaels (Mother)
 Dennis F. Troester ~ In memory of Kathleen Troester
 Debra Van Rie ~ In memory of Pat Van Rie
 Joan and Tom Varga ~ In memory of Catherine (Cal) O'Connor
 Carol and Fred Wasoski ~ In memory of Irene Wasoski and Margaret Burmeister
 Mr. and Mrs. Mark Wiwi ~ In memory of Amelia Wieland and Jack Beck Rogers
 Barbara Zimlich ~ In honor of Cathy Spear and Marie Varner



Derby Day Delights

After a pandemic delay, the Derby Day luncheon returned on May 5. At the Chicory Event Center in Mishawaka, guests enjoyed a lunch of chicken salad croissants with pasta salad and fruit. Bottomless mimosas were enjoyed as well.

Every guest was given a ticket for the door prize which was a membership to Martin's "Bloom of the Month" club. They could also bid on raffle baskets that included a two night stay at the Morris Inn, wine and charcuterie meat, bird watching and gardening supplies, mint julep fixings and spa day goodies.

In addition to the of fun seeing old friends and meeting new ones, the highlight of the luncheon was the "Christ Child through the Decades" fashion show. Emceed by Lauren Moss from WNDU TV, Christ Child members modeled fashions representing looks from 1947, when Christ Child was founded, through the present day.

It made for a wonderful afternoon of reminiscing and reconnecting. A hat contest judged by Marcia Auger added to the fun as well!

The event chairs thank Mary Liddell, Beth Barrett and Betsie Pendarvis for their help with reservations, the script and website support, all of the models, the envelope stuffers, and all of the volunteers who helped with check-in and the raffle, including Kathy Guajardo and Cindy Krupp, who were omitted in the Derby Day program. A big thank you also to Mary Erickson who donated the Bed and Breakfast raffle prize after the



Derby Day Chairs Tricia Shafer and Kelly Harrison pose with volunteer Vicki Sleevei



Derby Day models with Lauren Moss toast to a successful show.

program was completed and to all of the raffle basket donors. Thank you to Jean Fuehrmeyer, Sharon James, and Deb Low, who also helped a great deal with various tasks, and Vicki Sleevei, who helped every step of the way.

Of course, thanks to Lauren Moss, who was a wonderful emcee and a genuinely lovely lady! Thanks also to everyone who attended for making this a delightful day.



Karen Van Meter, Cindy Krupp and Rhonda Blanchard wore stunning hats while selling raffle tickets.

Spring Luncheon: Let It Grow

Christ Child Society members gathered on March 14 for the newly-themed Spring Mass and Luncheon Meeting, Let Love Grow. After a two-year hiatus the Mass was celebrated by Bishop Kevin Rhoades at St. Bavo Catholic Church. Following tradition, members generously donated Layette items, which were received at the Mass.

Mishwaka was the theme of the day. After Mass, members enjoyed a tasty lunch at Riverside Terrace with its lovely river view on a nice sunny day. Dessert featured lemon-filled and raspberry-filled cupcakes supplied by West End Bakery, which has satisfied Michiana taste buds since 1928.

Let Love Grow also kicked off the Christ Child Society of South Bend's 75th Year Anniversary celebration. With the theme of Honoring our

Past, Embracing the Future, the Anniversary committee created a special presentation featuring photos and artifacts from the chapter's early years and displayed information on the origins and evolution of SUCCESS, one of CCS's key educational programs.

It was an honor to have charter member, Barbara Dillon, recipient of the 2022 Mary Virginia Merrick Award, at the festivities. Attendees enjoyed Barbara's charm, wit and memories. Three charter members' daughters joined Barbara at her table.

All attendees received wildflower seed packets to plant and enjoy. Much like the seeds of the chapter's founding in 1947, the mission to nurture and clothe children in need is ever-growing.



New Board members, Karen Van Meter, Laura Tripple, Sue Kinnucan and Vicki Sleevei were introduced at the Spring Luncheon.

records and the Chapter learned to navigate cramped quarters. But, once again, the condition of the building and the needs of the Chapter's programs necessitated a move to larger quarters.



Marge Bycraft tosses bags of coats from choir loft storage in the old church.

Lack of space, parking issues, accessibility issues and lack of compliance with Diocesan insurance requirements led the Executive Board to meet and discuss the possibility of another move. A needs assessment and location search was initiated in the Fall of 2006. Like any professional organization, CCS gathered stakeholders together to crunch the numbers.

By early 2007, focus was on the vacant St. Patrick's School. It took many months of research, negotiating and building inspection, but finally an agreement was reached with the parish. Work began on adapting the school for program needs. As the Relocation Chair, Mary Liddell noted in February of 2008, improvements would include upgrades to the HVAC and security systems, carpeting, electrical work, and painting. By May, the work was completed, shelving went in and boxes were moved.

On June 18, 2008, a prayer ceremony at the old church closed that chapter of the Chapter, and a large group of members walked to the new Center in a symbolic yet very real transition into the future. Although opening day for clients was August 6, a ribbon cutting and Open House on August 20 brought the community to Christ Child to witness firsthand the progress they had made. No doubt, CCS had found its home.



Marge Hosinski, Norma Villanucci and Sheila Emge work in the crowded client intake room at St. Patrick's.

Well, that new home didn't last because after less than 10 years, more storage was needed. The school building required repairs and upgrades - and who didn't dislike the smelly bathrooms? After a couple years of on and off location hunting, the lease at St. Pat's would expire in June of 2020, pushing leadership into action. A serious search began once again in the Fall of 2019. A client survey had indicated that few took the bus and most drove which opened our location possibilities away from the downtown area where prices had skyrocketed due to redevelopment. A search committee led by Pat Falvey discovered a soon-to-be vacant furniture store in Town and Country Shopping Center and, true to its address on Miracle Lane, it answered the prayers of the Chapter.

Once again, Mary Liddell coordinated the remodeling, turning the empty space into a functioning clothing center. The addition of a comfortable and bright client waiting room, a large office, a loading dock area and a conference room with a kitchen surpassed the wildest wishes.

Finally, in May 2020, in the midst of the pandemic, the new Center was ready for occupancy. Under the direction of Monique Deguara, donated shelving was assembled and trucks unloaded while volunteers wore masks and kept a safe 6-foot distance from others. Wi-Fi, computers and a conference room ready for technology-supported meetings would not have been imagined in 1947. No fanfare or parties accompanied this move, but the atmosphere was still festive in the bright space and excitement for the future was unmistakable. Somehow, The Center was ready for clients on August 12, despite severe pandemic restrictions that required creative procedures.



Clients fill the bright hallways in the new Clothing Center.

Members enjoyed a short open house in 2021, but the formal Community Open House will take place on August 4 when the community, members, friends, family and guests are welcome to see what 75 years of volunteering and commitment can do.

The road to Miracle Lane was long and while CCS members honor the past, they truly embrace the future.

Gifts and Memorials

The Christ Child Remembrance Card is a convenient way to send donations in any amount to the Christ Child Society to honor a memory or special occasion such as a birthday, anniversary or accomplishment. Deceased friends or relatives will be remembered in a perpetual monthly Mass. When requesting a Remembrance Card, please print legibly. The names will be printed in each newsletter with the donor's name in parentheses. Extra cards are available in the office or by contacting 574 288 6028 or info@christchildsb.org.

SPECIAL OCCASION

Susan Coulter - Get Well Wishes
(Nancy Meyer)

Ken-Zorka DeFreeuw (Carol Bauer)

Jean Fuehrmeyer - Get Well Wishes
(Esther A. Cyr)

Peggy Gerstbauer (Kathy Seidl)

Jim and Virginia Greve 60th
Anniversary (Carol Bauer)

Rev. Gabriel Griggs, C.S.C. -
Ordination (Esther Cyr)

Joan Hardig - Get Well Wishes (Esther
A. Cyr)

Andrea Incropera (Class of 1958 Alumni
Fund)

Joan Jacobs - Health (Janice Goossens)

Mrs. Armando Mancini (Nancy & Del
Meyer)

Jerry McMahan (Jim & Carol Holt)

Phyllis Miller - 98th Birthday (Marie &
Joe Burt)

Rev. Goeffrey Mooney, C.S.C. -
Anniversary of Ordination (Esther
Cyr)

Mary Pat Nussbaum - Get Well (Barbara
Dillon)

Marietta Squibb (Carol Bauer)

IN HONOR

Helen Bernice Chamness (Winifred L.
Vanden Bossche)

Barbara Dillon - Recipient Of the
Mary Virginia Merrick Award
2022 (Connie & Mike Dillon)

Debbie Low (The Welty Family)

Pierson Sult (Joan Frances Hurley)

IN MEMORIAM

Alberta Barnes (Joan Frances Hurley)

Sr. Lorraine Black, C.S.C. (Bob & Toni
Kowalski)

Kathy Brunke (Peg Riggs)

Dave Bytner (Jim & Carol Holt)

Joseph Chamberlin (B.J. O'Brien)

Rosemary Clifford (Donald Clifford)

Antonia Colilli (Peg & Dean Riggs)

Jim Connor (Toni Pikuza)

James R. Conrad (Peg Riggs)

DECEASED MEMBERS

Marianne Doran
Mary Lou Houle
Toni Kowalski
Lorraine Yocum

DECEASED SPOUSES

Thomas Turnock
Jerry Wray

Micki Damato (Marie Brady, Jean & Greg
Mee)

Stuart Dolde (JoAnn Alexberg)

Marianne Doran (Linda Knapp Aichele,
Darlene & Frank, Martha & Edward, Debra &
John Knapp, (Anonymous Virginia Anselman,
Jeanne (Anselman) Aversa & Family,
Suzanne Cierzniak, Sheila Emge, Cynthia &
Kirk Kacsor, Kevin Killilea, Laura Lindo, Ms.
Pamela L. Luefing, Judy & Larry Miller, Mary
Jo & Bill Miller, Eileen Nowak, Carmen &
Carter Reznik, Shirley Reznik, Peg Riggs, Mary
Jane Stanley, Marie & Brad Varner, Nancy &
Jim Yohe, Barb & Don Zimlich)

Howard A. Dosch (Mrs. Suzanne Wiwi)

Pat Dudeck (Pat Corcoran)

Barbara Fedder (Michael Abel, Mary Adams,
Frederick Binder, Melanie Chappleau, Pat
Corcoran, Nimbilasha Cushing, Ray & Sandra
Feldmeier, Iris M. Goerner, Leslie & Al
Gratton, Ed & Joan Hardig, Tom & Michele
Hathoot, Jen Hathoot-Clark, Hilltop Partners/
Jennifer Whitmer, Jane Horning, Gerald,
Carol & Dale Jacquay, John & Tricia Killeen,
Bob & Genelle King, Rob & Alice Koehler,
Shirley & David Koloszar, Julie Kryder,
Lundberg Family, Sara & Abraham Marcus,
Tami McNally, Beth & Chris Mc Nerney, Marti
& Frank Moriconi, Dennis & Darla Nespo,
Virginia O'Hara, Danny & Chris Overley,
Rolande & Roger Parent, Kathleen Peterson,
Pfeifer Morgan & Stesiak, Barb & John
Phair, Peg Riggs, Charlotte Rosenthal, Carol
& Michael Savitske, Kathy & John Seidl,
The Family of Bruce Tanber, Janet Turnock,
Robert & Debra Urbanski, Norma & Ralph
Villanucci, Tom & Linda Zeese, Julie & Art
Zielinski, Julie & Arthur Zielinski)

Marjorie Fisher (Carol Bauer, Peggy Bauer,
Judith Birkner & Michael Deka, Linda & Rob
Diltz, Rita & Robert Eichstedt, Janice & John
Horan, David Myers & Mara Baim, Deborah
Smith, Lynn & Eric Wade)

Jordan Frankiewicz (Peggy Bauer)

Lorraine Giller (Suzanne McMillion)

Joan Goralski (Peg & Dean Riggs)

Dan Gray (Jean & Greg Mee)

John Edward Gray IV (Peggy Bauer)

Joe Halsema (Dean Riggs)

Linda Hickey (Joan Biltz, Margaret Hosinski)

Mary Lou Houle (Kathy Seidl)

Andrea Incropera (Terri Chapman)

Shirley Jean Dolan (Suzy & John Halloran)

Sue Karst (Marie & Joe Burt)

Lawrence J. Keegan (Peg Riggs)

Theresa Kielton Niedbalski (Joan F.
Hurley)

Jeanne Klem (Julann & Laurence Bauer, Mary
& Ben Cashman, Leslie Choitz, Peg Claey's, Kit
Overbeck, Anne Rettig, Karen Van Meter, Bob
& Joyce Williams)

Jeanne and Bill Klem (Alan & Christine
Teah Bowman)

Toni Kowalski (Rita & Horst Achenbach, Peggy
& Tom Adams, Patricia Albrechtson, Lois &
James Bare, Betty & Harold Michael, Wendy
& John Bognar, Terry & Rose Bowersock
Family, Pamela Cain, Connie Clauson, Jackie
R. Clindaniel, Ann Dean, Jennifer & Steven
Dean, Lea & Tom Ebels, Barbie Ernsperger,
Sarah Flake & Family, Suzanne Geise, Matt
& Brittany Gelchion, Jan Killilea, Shirley
Hartnagel, Mr. & Mrs. William Hochstetter,
Anne & Mike Hurley Family, Denise & Stoney
Jackson, Tina & Michael Klein, Patricia K.
Johnson, Barbro & Norma Jung, Heather
Kartman) Bob & Sharon Kartman, Nancy
Kelley, Chris & Emily Killilea, Tom & Kathie
Lindenman, Susan Niemann, Ann & Mike
Porter, Lori & David Porter & Angela &
Leon Zachery, Sally Reed, Lori Romig, Terry
Slamkowski, Susie Snell, Jolene & Kurt Stiver,
Mary Jo & David Stokes, Jacqueline & John
Thain, Suzanne Wiwi, Kari & Greg Wuszke,
Nancy Wuszke)

Robert L. Price (Betty & Jerry Vasil)

Jim Langford (The Corcorans, Jane Horning)

Donald Laskowski (Esther Cyr)

Mary Muhlherr Lozano (Suzanne
Cierzniak)

Dorothy Makely (Skip & Sherry Makely)

Raemarie Matt (Ellen Capone)

Richard McCoy (Sue & John Shirrell)

Stephen T. and MaryAnn McTigue
(Jamie Albright, Susan Van Dorn, & Robin
Stocks)

Beth Mickow (Beth & Dan Barrett)

Douglas Miller (Mrs. Suzanne Wiwi)

Sandy Nichols (Peg Riggs)

Ed Moran and Sister, Betty Ann (Marcia & Tom Blum)

Jane Mahoney Nobes (Daniel Ryan)

Daniel Nowicki (Betty & Jerry Vascil)

Marlene Omeara (Jane Dietrich)

Lucy Parish (Tricia Shafer)

Apolonia Paschke (Patti & Lowell Paschke)

Kent Perry (Mary & Donald Aschenbrenner, Diane & Gary Gerlach, Catherine & Jeffrey Hathoot-Cox, Diane James, Sandra Pfeifer, Kathryn Schoenle, Norma & Ralph Villanucci, Donna & Jim Weirick, Herb & Becky Zeller)

Casimer A. Pikuza (Julie, Andy, Kristy & Kevin Waruszewski, Joann & Frank Amato, Judy & Hugh Kuzmich, Anthony V. Luber Family, Cece Stepniowski McKiernan, Bette O'Malley, Antoinette Pikuza, Michelle Remley, Patrick Shelley, Donna Wagoner & Jim & Dee Wagoner, Anne & Paul Waruszewski, Patricia M. Wolf)

Frances Pitts (Marcia & Tom Blum)

Mary Schilling (Jo Ellyn & James Bencomo, Ben Wright, Norma & Ralph Villanucci)

Ernst C. Schrock (Kimberly & James Keultjes)

Daniel Skwarcan (Mary Earl & Kay Houser, River Bend Quilt Guild, Donna & Bob Snyder, Norma & Ralph Villanucci)

Mary Ann Smock (Mr. & Mrs. William Lentz)

Dee Tepe (Janice Goossens, Linda Moon, Barb & John Phair, Michelle Remley, The Shah Family, Michale Toal, Liz Zapf)

Dee and Sonny Tepe (Charlene & Tony Hutti)

Jean Ann Thornton (Esther Cyr)

Thomas Turnock (Charlene & John)

Carmichael & Family, Sally Derengoski & Annette Cates, Rosemary & Chuck Crowell, Lisa Dobson, Jill Drerup, Patricia W. Falvey, Lisa & Don Fischesser, Janet & Thomas Hall, Janice & Larry Harding, Carol & Jim Holt, Indiana Trust Wealth Management, Suzette & Bill Lentz, Nancy & Jack Pycik, Shari Rettig, Ann Schmiedeler, John & Kathy Seidl, Sue & John Shirrell, Pat & Jim Short, Ryan Short, Terry Slamkowski, Mary Jane Stanley, Sally Staszewski, Abby Stopczynski, Mary & Chris Udouj, Marsha & Wes Williams, Suzanne Wiwi, Mary & Joe Woodka)

Carolyn Ushela (Suzanne & Mark Wiwi)

Carl Weiskittel (Joan Biltz, Margaret Hosinski)

Paul White (Marie & Joe Burt)

David Witucki (Margaret Hosinski)

Jerry Wray (Carol Bauer, Peggy Bauer, Naydean Beck, Bob, Kathy, Jon & Jeff Borden, Pam Borden & Jeff Allsop, Judy & Tom Burmeister, Marie Burt, Julie Bussert, Mary & Don Castro, Anne Choinacky, Pat Corcoran, Patricia W. Falvey, Joan & Ed Hardig, Carol & Jim Holt, Jane Horning, Teresa & Sam Jermano, Mr. & Mrs. Robert Konopa, Judy & Hugh Kuzmich, Maureen & Jim Dorgan, Tami McNally, Nancy Meyer, Frank & Marti Mariconi, Rolande Parent, Dan Pinter, Sara & Matt Richards Family, Peg & Dean Riggs, Terry Slamkowski, Karen Van Meter, (Mr. & Mrs. Mark Wiwi, Beth & Dave Wolford)

Lorraine Wrobel (Joyce & Robert Knapp)

Larraine Yocum (Susan M. Alwine, Nita & Tom Baranowski, Jerry & Mary Ann Cavanah, The Czarnecki Family, Mary J. Horning, Nancy Meyer, Marti Moriconi, Rolande Parent, Heather & John Rudez, Judith & Frederick Sulok, Mrs. Carol Wasoski, Gael & Ron Wasserman)

Vickie (Janice Goossens)

Cloth A Child Successful

The Clothe-A-Child Paper Dolls campaign continues to thrive in our community. Thanks to members, supporters and patrons of Notre Dame Federal Credit Union, Northwest Bank, and Martin's Supermarkets, the Campaign raised \$22,451.74 this year! 1st Source Bank chose to participate by donating nine new coats and several gently used coats.

Students Venny, Peyton, Asa, parent chaperone Donna Briney, and teacher Jeanette Dripps from Mishawaka Catholic helped collate the paper dolls for the campaign.

THE GUARDIAN ANGELS

A one time \$1000 enrollment fee for deceased members, spouses and friends benefiting the Christ Child Society Endowment Fund will insure the Society's ability to continue future good works. These Angels are remembered monthly and each year at the annual Mass.

Members and spouses may pre-enroll in the program and will be officially enrolled upon their deaths. All names are recorded on a plaque at the Christ Child Society.

Please refer any questions to Norma Villanucci at 574 243-0621.

2022 Guardian Angel

Jeanne Klem



Co-Presidents Patti Banet and Monique Deguara speak to guests at the Information Coffee on May 11. Didn't make the Coffee but want to join? Call 574 288 6028 to arrange a visit or get more information about joining CCS.

**It's Membership
Renewal time!
Watch your mail for
your form
and return it by
June 10
to get into
the directory.**



**CHRIST CHILD SOCIETY
OF SOUTH BEND**

Honoring our past. Embracing our future.

2366 Miracle Lane
Mishawaka, IN 46545

NON-PROFIT ORG.

U.S. POSTAGE
PAID
SOUTH BEND, IN
Permit No. 239

RETURN SERVICE REQUESTED



Since April of 2020,
Christ Child Society members
have patiently waited
through the pandemic
to show off the
new Clothing Center
and the programs that
serve the children of
St. Joseph County.

Finally, they can
open their doors!

Save the Date

Discover what's new

Explore the Clothing Center

Learn about The Christ Child Society

Celebrate the 75th Anniversary!

Community Open House

Thursday, August 4

4:00 to 6:30 PM

Ribbon cutting at 4:30

Enjoy hors d'oeuvres and drinks
while touring the new Clothing Center