



St. Columba

Ecumenical Ministries, Inc.

Loaves & Fishes

Fall 2019

“do justice...love mercy...unto the least of these...” *Micah, Matthew*

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Holiday Food Requests

We will distribute close to 200 holiday food baskets to families in our community this year and we need your donations of food! Please keep in mind that although we have specific requests for the holiday baskets, we appreciate all food donations. Additional items will be distributed through our regular food pantry, which operates four days a week, year-round. Items we need specifically for the holiday baskets include:

- **10-15 lb turkeys**
- **Stuffing**
- **Canned vegetables**
- **Canned cranberry sauce**
- **Bread mixes**
- **Canned sweet potatoes**
- **Mashed potatoes**
- **Canned potatoes**
- **Gravy**
- **Dessert mixes**

Additional items we need throughout the year include:

- **Peanut butter**
- **Jelly**
- **Macaroni and cheese**
- **Spaghetti and other pasta**
- **Pasta sauce**
- **Tuna**
- **Rice**
- **Canned meat**
- **Single serving food**
- **Granola bars**
- **Canned pasta**
- **Ramen noodles**
- **Instant oatmeal**
- **Cereal**
- **Canned Vegetables**
- **Canned Fruits**

Another year-round need that increases at the holidays is paper grocery bags. We use these to distribute food from our Food Pantry on a daily basis and need them to pack holiday food for families in need. We can easily go through 600 bags just during the holidays! Please keep your bags and donate them to us for use with our food distributions. You can also make a financial donation for special purchases of food online through PayPal (we have a link on our website at www.stcolumbaministries.com) or by check (mail donations to St. Columba, 2114 Lafayette Blvd., Norfolk, VA 23509).

We need brown paper grocery bags!



DONATIONS FOR JUNE - SEPTEMBER 2019

FINANCIAL

Lafayette, Bayside, Royster Memorial, Presbyterian; Presbytery of Eastern Virginia; CCC, The United Way; Amazon Smile; Blessed Sacrament, Church of the Ascension, Catholic, Church of the Good Shepherd; Sentara

Healthcare Trade, J. Stokley, J. Lego, C. Miskill, N. & T. Bonney, J. & H. Ortiz, S. Williams, M. Fierro, J. Baker, G. Walton.

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Bayside, Royster Memorial, Wycliffe, Lafayette, Calvin, Knox, First, Second, Third Norfolk, Squires, Grace Covenant, Providence, Presbyterian; Christ the King, Church of the Ascension, Catholic; Catholic Daughters, Christ, Trinity Lutheran; Coastal Virginia Unitarian Universalists, Sai Center of Hampton Roads; Norview Civic League; Foodbank of Southeastern Virginia, Nansemond on the Bay, Sigma Theta Sorority, C. R. Services, Trader Interactive, Knights of Columbus, Board of St. Columba, Pastor Elliott, J. Keifer, A. Mathews, P. Pennington, M. Mendez, J. Morgan, J. & H. Ortiz, A. Morgan, J. Nault, P. Rice, A. Nelson, C. Weaver, S. Kelley, J. Lego, C. Stacier, L. Redford, P. Neil, J. Watts, J. McCray, H. Wigsall, L. Tedrow, T. Rozelle, S. Jones, S. Etherington, K. Esquivel, C. Hawkins, C. Bayma, A. Taylor, B. Imhoff, L. Johnson, Salvadoriaz.



If we have inadvertently omitted you, please call Alicia at (757) 627-6748.



A special thank you to everyone who donated school supplies to our collection. We were able to provide Ocean Air and Lindenwood Elementary Schools with over \$4,100 in school supplies this year!

Board of Directors Openings

St. Columba is always looking for individuals who are interested in serving as board members and helping those who are less fortunate in our community. The Board of Directors provides oversight for fulfilling the mission of St. Columba: To operate an ecumenical ministry in response to the Biblical Mandate to minister to persons in need, whether these needs are economic, social or spiritual. Membership is perfect for people who are busy during the day, but still want to get involved. We meet at 7:00 PM on the third Monday of each month and have an annual fundraiser on a Saturday in the spring. Individuals who are interested in this opportunity will be paired with a current board member who will serve as a mentor and provide you with all of the information to get started. If you would like to know more about this opportunity to help others, please contact Alicia at 627-6748 or by email at st.columba@aol.com or speak with any current Board Member for a New Member Packet!

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**Save the Date - April 25, 2020
Silent Auction and Barbeque Dinner**

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St. Columba Updates and Needs

Our Clothing Closet Needs Fall and Winter Clothing

The nights are already getting cooler and our clients on the streets need your help to stay warm! Please donate your gently used men's and women's jeans, sweatshirts, sweatpants, sweaters, coats, gloves, hats and scarves to our clothing closet!

We have the following ongoing needs for our Day Center:

- Razors
- Toothpaste
- Coffee
- Bleach
- Lysol spray
- Brown grocery bags
- Plastic grocery bags
- Spray deodorant
- Disposable Gloves
- Laundry detergent
- Paper towels
- Toilet paper
- Sugar packets
- Powdered creamer
- Granola bars

Inclement Weather Reminder

When inclement weather and dangerous road conditions make it unsafe for staff, volunteers, donors and clients to travel, we will close for everyone's safety. If this is necessary, we will post an announcement on our Facebook page at www.facebook.com/scemva as soon as possible. We also recommend calling our office at 757-627-6748 to make sure we are there if you have any question about the road conditions before venturing out.

Upcoming Closures

Thursday and Friday, November 28 & 29 - Thanksgiving
Monday, December 23, 2019 - Wednesday, January 1, 2020 - Winter Holidays

Donations are accepted Monday – Friday 8 AM to 3 PM.

We regret that we are unable to provide pickup services for donations.

Do you want to receive our newsletter by email?

Send an email to st.columba@aol.com with the subject ADD and we'll get you on the list!