



# December Mission Awareness



5th grade is coordinating December 18th's mission!

After prayerful consideration, and due to the success of this mission the last five years, we have decided to choose and support the same two local organizations this year. Our hope is to give St. Francis students and families the opportunity to reach out and serve those less fortunate right here in our own backyards.

We will be collecting for two organizations:

**Connection Cafe**

**West Des Moines Human Services**

In lieu of a cash donation, we are requesting specific items from each grade level. The 5th graders will collect these items on December 18 ONLY in exchange for a dress down day. The 5th graders will then prepare and wrap the items for delivery, as part of a Faith in Action project. We encourage donations of items to assist with our Faith in Action project, however, if you are unable to purchase an item, a cash donation will certainly be accepted.

As a part of our Faith in Action day, we are also asking for **donations of shoeboxes**. These can be sent in **beginning immediately**.

Preschool- baby supplies: diapers, wipes, baby socks, baby bottles, baby bath soap, baby lotion, blanket, baby fingernail clippers, feeding supplies, pacifier, baby bath towel & washcloth

Kindergarten- new socks and/or underwear and/or slipper socks for children, teens or adults - any size or gender

1st Grade- men's lotion, sunblock, washcloth, mouthwash, dental floss, Chapstick, razor, shaving cream, nail clippers, Q-Tips, hand sanitizer

2nd Grade- stationery and stamps for the elderly or disabled

3rd Grade- women's lotion, sunblock, washcloth, mouthwash, dental floss, Chapstick, lip gloss, razor, shaving cream, nail clippers, Q-Tips, hand sanitizer, socks, etc.

4th Grade- new/gently used book(s) for children and teens

5th Grade- new hats, gloves, mittens or scarves for children, teens or adults- any gender

6th Grade- men's toiletries: shampoo, deodorant, soap, toothpaste, toothbrush, comb, brush

7th Grade- women's toiletries: shampoo, deodorant, soap, toothpaste, toothbrush, comb, brush

8th Grade- men's/women's toiletries and/or men's/women's underwear