

Lenten Daily Food Collection

As a way of giving back this Lent, we have the following opportunity to help keep the Smithville food pantry (at First Christian Church) stocked and ready to meet the needs of our community. *Collected donations will be delivered there on Monday of each week of Lent.*

We will have a drive up/drop off collection every Saturday in Lent from 11am to 1pm starting February 20. The Knights of Columbus will be at the church doors waiting for your delivery, and will take the items to the food pantry.

Below is a SUGGESTED list of items to collect each day in Lent, but please feel free to contribute what you want. On the next page (back side) are "Some things to consider."

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
			Feb 17 Box /Potatoes	Feb 18 Box/Macaroni and Cheese	Feb 19 Box/Facial Tissues	Feb 20 Box/Milk
Feb 21 Bar Soap	Feb 22 Can/Tomatoes	Feb 23 Can/Tuna	Feb 24 Plastic jar/ Applesauce	Feb 25 Package Toilet Paper	Feb 26 Box/Crackers	Feb 27 Plastic bottle of Cooking Oil
Feb 28 Feminine Hygiene product	Mar 1 Bag or Box/ Rice	Mar 2 Package/ Oatmeal	Mar 3 Deodorant	Mar 4 Can/Tomato Soup	Mar 5 Plastic jar Tomato Sauce	Mar 6 Spices, Salt, Pepper
Mar 7 Potato Chips	Mar 8 Can/Corn	Mar 9 Chicken Noodle Soup	Mar 10 Can/Mixed Vegetables	Mar 11 Shampoo	Mar 12 Plastic Jar Jelly	Mar 13 Package/Tea Bags or Coffee
Mar 14 Stove Top Stuffing	Mar 15 Can/Fruit	Mar 16 Package/Paper Towels	Mar 17 Plastic Jar Peanut Butter	Mar 18 Can/Green Beans	Mar 19 Package/dry Pasta	Mar 20 Cake Mix and Frosting
Mar 21 Dry Fruit or Nuts	Mar 22 Toothpaste	Mar 23 Package/ Chicken Broth	Mar 24 Can/Beans	Mar 25 Box/Cereal	Mar 26 Can/Vegetable Soup	Mar 27 Dishwashing Soap

Some things to consider

- Boxes of Mac & Cheese need milk and butter, which is hard to get from food banks. Kids love cereal, but you need milk. So maybe consider donating boxed milk.
- Canned foods should be pop tops or maybe donate a can opener.
- Cooking oil is a luxury. It is needed for Rice-A-Roni, which they get a lot of.
- Spices, salt and Pepper are a real gift.
- Tea bags and coffee are caring gifts.
- Sugar and flour are treats.
- Tuna and crackers make a great lunch.
- Hamburger Helper goes nowhere without ground beef, not a helpful item.
- Cake mix and frosting make it possible to make a child's birthday cake.
- Dishwashing detergent is expensive and is always appreciated.
- Feminine hygiene products are a luxury and women will cry over them.
- Everyone lives Stove Top Stuffing.

Main point, do what you can. Pray for those who go hungry and without. Take the time to ponder what we take for granted. You don't have to follow this schedule, and there is not a specific number of items to donate. Any and all donations will be accepted. Know that anything is appreciated!

Again, bring your times to church on Saturdays of Lent from 11am to 1pm (drive up and drop off), or bring them when you come to Mass, or when the office is open. If you bring them into the church, a box for these items is located in the Narthex near the credenza.