Please let residents of the Village and other interested parties in the area know that we are collecting items to be taken to those in need in the inner city of Milwaukee. St. Christopher's has a mission outpost at a community center by the name of City on a Hill. It is located in a near-west neighborhood of Milwaukee, serving a significant number of people that are greatly challenged by generational poverty. They are among the most vulnerable in our community to the virus outbreak, and are in need of many basic supplies. We ask people to share non-parishable food items, paper products, cleaning products, and personal health items. Of particular interest are canned proteins or peanut butter, as well as single use food items that children can serve themselves unassisted.

Donors are able to bring items without social distancing risk to themselves or others. We have collection bins posted outside our Community Room doors during the hours of 10am-3pm each weekday. We ask that people deposit items in the bins and drive off in order to safeguard both themselves and our staff. If they let us know, we can remove the items from their trunk or hatch back for them if necessary. If they prefer to make a monetary donation, a check can also be dropped off in the bins, or mailed to the church. A check should be made out to St. Christopher's, noting in the memo line 'Hunker Down 4 Hunger'.

Please let me know if there are any other community needs our parish family can help address during this very anxious time, and pass my cell number along liberally to people seeking pastoral care as we work through the health crisis together.

Every Blessing for Health and Peace,

Fr. Geoff+

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