

THE ALMSGIVER

NATIVITY

2018

FEATURED CHARITIES FOR THE NATIVITY SEASON

- * NOV 25TH PROJECT MEXICO
- * DEC 2ND PROJECT MEXICO
- * DEC 9TH COMEA SHELTER
- * DEC 16TH KINSHIP

PROJECT MEXICO



Join us this Nativity Season as we support their Christmas projects through monetary donations on November 25th and December 2nd.

Project Mexico is a ministry of the Assembly of Canonical Bishops in the United States that has been providing education and shelter for orphaned boys through St. Innocent Orphanage since 1988.

Please contact Fr. Jason or Julie Lehman. For more information, you can also contact this ministry, please visit: www.projectmexico.org

COMEA SHELTER

Please join our Philoptochos as they collect much needed items for COMEA—(Cooperative Ministry for Emergency Assistance) for the winter months.

Donations such as hats, gloves, and socks can be dropped off by December 9th



WHY GIVE ALMS?

Holiday Stress can be a reminder that something is missing in our lives. Whether it comes from a sense of spiritual stagnation or a lack of fullness that we feel from constantly trying to do the “right thing” (i.e. prayer, fasting, going to church services, etc.); could it be that we are not experiencing the change of heart that God desires for us? Could it also be that we are missing something that is necessary to our lives in Christ?

God’s is patient in His desire to bring us to salvation (2 Peter 3:9). In the meantime, those of us who are fortunate and blessed enough to be a part of His Holy Church are not only set to the task of working out our salvation through prayer and fasting, but by giving alms to those in need.

We simply cannot be saved without giving alms, and without caring for the poor. This is why Giving alms goes hand in hand with prayer and fasting.

We are blessed to support many charities throughout the year at Saints Constantine and Helen. Please take the time to learn about some of the ministries and organizations that we will be supporting throughout this year’s Nativity Fast.

“Arise, O Lord my God, let Your hand be lifted high, and do not forget Your poor to the end.” (Psalm 10:12)



Our Philoptochos Chapter will also be supporting “Kinship support Services.”

This service is managed by Community Action and is to assist older caregivers (55+) who are raising relatives either under the age of 18 or under the age of 59 and living with a disability.

Please contact Nancy Tsandes to learn more about this service to the Cheyenne Community that will be featured at Saints Constantine and Helen on December 9th.

For more information please visit their website at www.calc.net/kinship/

FROM ST. JOHN CHRYSOSTOM

To give alms is a work greater than miracles... To feed the hungry in the name of Christ is a work greater than raising the dead in Christ's name...When you work miracles, you are God's debtor; when you give alms, God is your debtor."

+St. John Chrysostom