

Lenten Food Drive – March 17 & 18, 2018



Dear St. Joseph Parishioners,

The annual Archdiocesan *Lenten Food Drive* is rapidly approaching. This Lent we have again been given permission to help Holy Name Catholic Church, located at 920 11th St. NE, replenish their food pantry. Please bring your food items in sturdy bags or reusable grocery bags on the weekend of March 17 & 18 – right before St. Joseph’s feast day on the 19th!

Any non-perishable food items will be welcomed.

The following are some suggestions from the folks at Holy Name:



- Canned Vegetables: Peas, Corn, Beans, Carrots, Tomatoes, Mixed Vegetables, Hominy.
- Canned Fruit: Any kind plus applesauce.
- Canned Beans; Black, Pinto, Garbanzo, Great Northern, Black-Eyed Peas, Pork & Beans.
- Canned Meats/Fish; Tuna, Corned beef hash, Chili, Vienna sausage, deviled ham, gravy.
- Canned soups, tomato sauce, canned spaghetti.
- Peanut Butter and Jelly.
- Rice, pasta, mac & cheese, instant potatoes, cup of

noodles, cup of soup.

- Dried beans, lentils, split peas.
- Cereal, oatmeal (boxes and individual serving packages), cream of wheat, grits.

If you cannot come the weekend of March 17 & 18 then you can always *bring the food early*. Contact Kelly Hanlon at hanlon@st-josephs.org to schedule a time to bring it to the rectory. This archdiocese-wide Lenten food drive relies on the partnership between volunteers and programs at Catholic Charities and the good people of the Archdiocese of Washington.

Please call Elsa Thompson at [202-577-8314](tel:202-577-8314) for more information. ******Please do not donate food items in glass jars—we have had plenty of accidents in the past.****** It also helps tremendously to put the food in reusable grocery bags. This makes it much easier for us to carry (no broken bags) and it is an added bonus for Holy Name to give to needy families. You may also donate checks made out to Holy Name Parish. Thank you very much and God bless you again and again for your continued generosity to the food pantry!