

St. Gilbert Giving Tree

Opportunities for Christmas Sharing

For 49 years our parish has had a tradition of Christmas sharing. In the spirit of St. Gilbert, our patron saint, please help us to help those in need by taking a paper ornament from the "Giving Tree Tables" and fulfilling the request on the ornament.

Catholic Charities Christmas Gift Program:

- The ornaments will be available for pick up at the "Giving Tree Tables" in the narthex starting **Saturday, November 12TH**.
- Please return your **new** gift to church no later than noon on **Sunday, December 4th**. Place the gift, with the ornament **securely** attached, under the tree. **Gift bags preferred.**

Gift Cards: We will be collecting gift cards for St. Vincent de Paul, St. Benedict the African, our sharing parish, and PADS.

- **At Church:**
 - Envelopes will be available in the narthex starting November 12th and will be accepted through the weekend of December 18th.
 - Please place your check or cash in the provided envelope. Drop the envelope into the collection basket or return it to the Giving Tree table.
- **Online:**
 - Via the church website by selecting Giving/Give Central/Giving Tree, or
 - Via Give Central at the following link:
<https://www.givecentral.org/location/378/event/35416>
- **Phone (new this year):**
 - Text the word Givingtree (one word) to 1-224-219-0357. You will receive a text back with a link to Give Central.

If you have any questions, please contact Cheryle Olmschenk at 847-340-3923.

Thank you for your generosity and God bless you!!

