

Don't Forget the Unfortunate and Needy at Christmastime

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running water or toilet facilities. The father has had a series of illnesses and is now able to work part-time. The mother is attending nutrition classes. The children in this family seem to have average ability but due to emotional deprivation do not do well in school.

This family is being cared for by the Secular Mission in caring for this case. Address it, care of Father Robert Buckland, 48 Pulney St., Geneva, N.Y.

8. Mrs. P. and a teenage daughter live in a one-bedroom, three-room apartment near the downtown area. Their income of approximately \$2200 per year is supplied by State Disability and Monroe County Public Assistance. Mrs. P. was employed for more than 15 years in secretarial jobs. She is now physically and emotionally unable to maintain a job. On this meager income new apartment furnishings and wall paint become a luxury.

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9. The W. family is a family of 12 who live in their own home. They live on a small income mainly because Mrs. W. is the only one who is able to work regularly. Mr. W. works only sporadically as he is physically disabled. When he is able to work the family income is just adequate.

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10. Mrs. R. and her three children were burned out in the house they had built in the area. They occupy a small summer cabin pending the construction of a new home. The cabin is in a hazardous area and the children are in need of proper shelter. The youngest child is 12 months old.

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11. Mrs. L. abandoned by husband is living in upstairs inner-city room. She is 20; avoids work, drinks heavily, often jailed. Mother regularly visits youngest son in nearby House of Hospitality for food.

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12. The J. family is composed of mother and two adolescent children who live in a four-room apartment. Mrs. J. manages well on her Monroe County budget. They depend on Catholic Family Center to finance, camping fees, cultural and recreational events, etc., which stimulate the children towards appropriate jobs in the future.

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13. Mrs. R. and her six children live in a one-bedroom apartment. The father works part-time. The house has poor heating and plumbing. In October 1969, the father was in a hospital for a long time. The mother is equally poor and the children are in need of proper shelter. The youngest child is 12 months old.

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14. There are seven children in this family and the mother is pregnant. The oldest child, after a special readiness program, is now in first grade. The children could not start school on time because they had no clothing. They are frequently ill due to lack of heat and poor nutrition. Fuel oil is carried in by gallon cans. The home is in a rural area and they have no car. They are therefore cut off from people and at times are without water and electricity.

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15. Jacques is a political refugee from Haiti. He speaks beautiful French but little English. In his native country he was a teacher. He is now working as a bus boy in a local restaurant. Money is needed



Gifts for Inner City Children

Sister Maureen Byrne, RSM., one of Sisters conducting inner city Mercy Mission on Joseph Avenue, Rochester, receives Christmas gifts for children there from youngsters of Our Lady Queen of Peace parish in Brighton. Presenting gifts are (from left) Paul Booth, Timothy Wahl, Ann Carroll and Paula Baker.

for a crash course in English so he may become optimally employed. His wife and children are still in Haiti. He faithfully sends support weekly. His goal is to have them join him here.

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16. Mother — four children — 8-year-old girl with mental retardation goes to Al Sigi Center. 15-year-old boy in need of operation, very slow in school. 16-year-old girl has no clothes to go to school. Mother is good cook but oven is broken, cannot afford a new one. Family on welfare and no furniture allowance made. Housing with bad plumbing and heat not working properly. Had to spend extra money to keep the gas burners on stove to heat the house.

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17. Deserter by her husband three years ago, Mrs. J. is a devoted and effective mother to her 9 children. They range in age from 3 to 17, the oldest still desperately trying to complete high school. Mrs. J. is renting a five-room house, having been evicted from a three-room shack after her disclosure of excessive rental rates to a newspaper reporter. The family is on welfare. The need for supplemental food and clothing is constant.

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18. Mrs. Q. and four small children, ranging from infancy to 5 years, live in a deteriorated and poorly arranged apartment of five rooms. She depends on Monroe County for full assistance to pay rent, food, clothes and medical care.

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19. Miss F. is an alert but fragile woman of 80. She lives alone in a rather bleak apartment building. She has been able to cope with the problem of chronic ill health, but she is very distressed about her recent rent raise. Her rental is now \$95 per month, and her total income, solely from Social Security, is \$93 per month. She has had to depend on the generosity of friends and distant relatives. Miss F. is a retiring, shy person who finds it extremely difficult to be dependent on others.

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20. Six children — father works for \$95.00 per week. He has been sick for months — no compensation. Forced to move because of poor housing. Many debts created because of move and sickness. Children without winter clothing. Father has no credit and cannot afford enough clothes for cold weather. Will not have food or toys for Christmas. Thinking of not celebrating Christmas.

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21. Mother — father — 4 children — burned out in November. Lost everything. Relocated temporarily in emergency housing — new to city — low paying job — no credit.

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22. An 80-year old dilapidated farm house is home to Mr. and Mrs. C. and their 8 children. The five rooms are drafty, and a single kerosene space heater is not match for the winter winds. Mrs. C. has a chronic asthma, requires extended hospitalization from time to time. Her husband then is unable to work at his unskilled job. Living in virtual isolation three miles from the nearest populated center, they cannot afford even if they could secure baby-sitting services for their children, aged 6 to 14.

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23. Mr. C. was injured at work in August and due to a technicality has not received disability checks. Emergency food was needed last week for this family of nine. The children in this family have deep emotional problems. One boy was expelled from school at 7 in another state. The children are ill-dressed and lack the necessary nutrition. The father is attending school to prepare himself for vineyard work.

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24. Mr. and Mrs. R., with their six children, occupy a seven room house in a farming community. The structure is sorely in need of repairs, but the desire for ownership has prompted assumption of a 30-year mortgage. The age range of the children is 2 to 13 years. The house needs complete furnishing. One child requires surgery for visual correction.

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25. This family lives in an isolated rural area, and are attempting to renovate an old dilapidated house. The house has faulty plumbing and the family owes a fuel bill from last

winter. For this reason Mr. D. brings home the fuel oil each day to heat the house. When the weather gets cold the oil doesn't last from day to day. There are seven children in this family, three of whom have rheumatic fever. Mr. D. works but can only get work covering 20-25 hours a week.

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26. Abandoned by her drug-addicted husband, Mrs. S. was recently evicted from her two room "home", actually a tool shed. With her six children, she is renting a six-room farmhouse, with sagging floors and no plumbing. She keeps a neat and disciplined house. A government loan will help towards long-range acquisition of another six-room house. But in the meantime, food and furniture are urgently needed. The two oldest children, in high school, take on odd jobs to supplement the meager income.

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27. There are eight children. The oldest is now repeating first grade. The children are extremely negative in attitude and have to be coaxed into talking and eating. The family lives in an extremely rural area and has no running water or central heat. The living conditions are unhealthy. The father works in a low paying job.

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28. Deserter by her alcoholic husband, Mrs. T. lives with her six children in an obsolete, medium-sized mobile home. The oldest child is 8, the youngest is 15 months. Living space is extremely cramped. The children suffer from nutritional imbalance.

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29. Mr. F. has recently left his family and four children. The oldest child is hyperactive and emotionally disturbed. Mrs. F. has cooperated in every way to get this child under treatment and is trying to help the children adjust to the loss of their father. The family is living in a three room house with little furniture, clothing and food are at a minimum.

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30. Seventy-eight year old Mr. C., afflicted with arthritis and diabetes, must on occasion be driven 30 miles to the one physician who seems to have taken a genuine interest in his case. He lives alone in an old trailer on the edge of an abandoned gravel pit. He must walk 200 feet to the outdoor toilet. By Dec. 25 last year his final welfare check of the year had dwindled to 17c.

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31. The G. family are migrants who have stayed in the area. Mr. G. is a farm hand and lives in a tenant house which is very small and has no running water. There are 10 children and Mrs. G. is pregnant. The children will not talk in school but achieve top grades. Mrs. G. has had severe psychological problems and last year was admitted to a state hospital. One child has a compulsive disorder that is being controlled by medication. Mr. G. is almost an illiterate. Two of the children are showing orthopedic problems. The children sometimes have milk on weekends.

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32. Mrs. W. struggles to run a five room house for her 10 children. Her husband left several years ago. Constructed of second-hand lumber, the house has battered, makeshift furniture, inadequate space heater, no running water, and broken windowpanes replaced by plastic sheeting. Her most urgent request: shoes for the youngest children. Also needed: woolen socks, underwear and two beds.

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33. Family of five includes three school age boys. They rent a home with no central heat and no bathroom. They live in a rural area with no car. The yearly income is less than \$2500.

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34. Since her husband ran off four years ago, Mrs. J.'s three room house in a rural area has become extensively run down. Her children range in age from 4 to 14. An urgent call is issued for beds, bedding, winter clothing (all types), canned goods, and a new kerosene heater. Also a kitchen table and chairs.

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35. Mother, father and eight children. Own a badly deteriorated home with no running water, no central heat. Husband works as a farm hand. There is a scarcity of food, clothing and heat. Very sparse furnishings.

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36. Mr. and Mrs. J. share a two room apartment, on the second floor of an old farmhouse, with their six children. Kerosene for heater, owing to impassable road, is delivered at property's edge, 500 feet from house. Last winter the heater exploded. Remoteness from community mainstreans hampers progress. Milk, boots, bedding and winter clothing are needed. How about a washing machine in working condition?

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37. Mother, father and six children. They live in a rural area in a home

burned last May and they need help now but after they receive it they will be able to stand on their feet.

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38. Family of five. Three small boys. They own their own home but need help temporarily. The father was injured at work in August and has been unable to collect financial aid since then.

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39. Family of 11 children. They rent their house which is in very poor condition. Mother M. has an emotional problem; father had been unable to work until last week. When the new baby arrived they had no clothing for him. The oldest child is 18. The children are neat, well-behaved and doing well in school despite lack of proper clothing.

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40. Live in one room schoolhouse with no running water. There are five children and the oldest is 7. They need food, clothing and a better home but prospects are very dim because the father works for a minimum wage, averaging 20 hours a week.

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41. Mother, father and two young boys. The mother is an amputee and the father's nervous system is impaired. The two boys sleep on the floor. The family has no means of transportation and they live in a remote rural area. The father sells from door to door and is out walking in all types of weather.

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42. Mother, father and four children. The mother has had 28 operations in 30 years. She is a leg amputee and cannot use an artificial leg because of her physical condition. They have recently moved into the area and live in a rural three room house. The entire family sleeps in the kitchen in the winter because it is the only room that is heated. The children have no winter clothing. Food is scarce. The father works for a minimum wage at a gas station.

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43. Mother, father and five children, renting a rural home. He works on farms close by because he does not own a car. The wife has been in the hospital for the past two months. The home lacks furnishings and the children lack clothing. Two children are in school.

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