



Dear OLOS Second Grade Parents,

As a part of your child's sacramental preparation during their second grade year, the students will be participating in a service project. This will remind the students that, through the Eucharist, we are called to be "bread for the world". Both the students in the PSR program and OLOS Second Graders at Mother Teresa Elementary School will be working on this project.

Students will be making a "Birthday Bag" for those who are less fortunate in our area. These finished products will be donated to an area food pantry. This is how the program will work:

During class, the children will decorate a plain white party bag.

The bag will then be filled with the following items:

- A) A box of cake mix...any flavor or variety will do.
- B) A can of frosting...pick your favorite
- C) A box of candles...again, your choice
- D) Plates (small...dessert-sized), napkins, and plasticware to serve a family of 6.
- E) An unsigned birthday card that is suitable for a child, either girl or boy of all ages.

We are asking every second grade family to donate one of every item mentioned above. The PSR program will provide the bags and decorations for the bags. The Dollar Store is a great place to get supplies for this service project. Include your child when picking out these items! Please bring supplies into class by 3/3/2019.

With your child, take some time to pray for those who will be receiving these bags. Also, talk to your child about those who are less fortunate that live in our area. Stress that this should not make your child feel guilty for what they have. Rather, remind them as Christians, we are called to love the poor.

Please direct any questions you might have to Chris Baumgardner, Religious Education Coordinator.

THANKS SO MUCH FOR YOUR GENEROSITY!