Mission Statement
The South Bend Chapter of the Christ Child Society is a not-for-profit organization of volunteers dedicated to the personal service and clothing of all needy children and infants in honorthe love and spirit of the Christ Child.

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Father Peter Rocca to Deliver Annual Day of Recollection Reflections
The annual Day of Recollection will be held on February 16 at Moreau Seminary on Douglas Road. Rev. Peter Rocca CSC, rector of the Basilica of Sacred Heart at Notre Dame, will celebrate Mass and give the reflections. See the reservation form below for the times of Mass and talks. Parking is available on the west side of the seminary.

Originally from Chicago and ordained in June of 1974, Father Rocca became rector of the Sacred Heart Basilica in 1997. He holds a BA in History and an MA in Theology, both from Notre Dame, and master’s degrees in both Liturgical Studies and Liturgical Music from Catholic University in Washington DC.

From 1984 - 1997 Father was Assistant Vice President for Student Affairs at Notre Dame and Assistant Rector of the Basilica from 1980-1984. Currently he is a member of the formation staff and Director of Liturgy at Moreau Seminary and ROTC chaplain at Notre Dame.

Father Rocca is also the general editor and compiler of the Ordo, the order of prayer for Liturgy and Eucharist celebrations throughout the year.

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DAY OF PRAYER AND REFLECTION
at Moreau Seminary
Thursday, February 16, 2012
8:30 - 2:30

given by Rev. Peter D. Rocca CSC of Basilica of Sacred Heart, Notre Dame
at Moreau Seminary, Douglas Road

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Please send this form and check for $10 payable to Christ Child Society to Mary Beth McGrath, 54439 Christie Ct., Osceola 46561

Name(s)______________________ phone_________ email_____________

Due by February 7, please
From the President . . . Norma Villanucci

Hello ladies and Happy New Year! May the new year bring much joy, happiness and good health to you and your families. So far the weather has been very pleasant with lots of sun. Not the usual type of weather for this area. But we'll take it! May we approach the new year with great expectations of a bright future for all.

In early December, we had our annual potluck luncheon which turned out to be great. We had a wonderful turnout and the dishes that everyone brought were just fantastic. A few members suggested that since the food was so good, we should bring recipes to pass out. It was mentioned that maybe we should do this again just before Easter. Just give this some thought!

Our Clothing Center this past fall has been extremely busy and we are very happy to see so many families leave our Center with bags of new and used clothing. We ended the year servicing 1,724 families and 4,370 children. At this time, we are 70 more than last year with three more Wednesdays. By the time we close for 2011-12 year, we will have clothed at least 4,500 children. When our door closes, we will begin a new phase of restocking and inventory and preparing for next season.

Just a reminder to send in your reservation for our “Day of Recollection” on February 16. This day of retreat is a great time to contemplate Lent, to be with members who we don’t see as often as we would like, and to just enjoy our time in prayer. Also CAC I is still in progress and we want to thank all of you who have participated for your generosity.

Let some words of wisdom guide you through the new year.
“Though it is difficult when life presses you down, still, if you make the effort with strong determination, you will triumph over every challenge” - Paramabansa

With a Cherry on Top by Norma Cherry

When I was growing up, I used to love to sit and listen to my elders. They always had such interesting stories about things they had done or people they had known. I would like to share a story with you of someone I know. Her name is Suzanne WiWii and she is the principal at St. Joseph Grade School in honor-South Bend. Every Wednesday a group of her children come to Christ Child and help us do whatever we need. Sometimes they wait on clients, other times they are putting away merchandise or sorting the new items we purchase.

I could not help but wonder how this all started so here is the story: Suzanne was looking for something to do; her son was little and she was teaching part time. Her life evolved around children so it was pretty natural for her to want to be involved in helping kids. Lucky for us, she found Christ Child a perfect fit. She loved helping the children and the ladies at the Center became an extended family to her. She also helped organize some of the fundraisers. I asked her how long ago she was at the Center and she said in 1987.

When her son went to school, she went back to teaching full time, but she never forgot what she had experienced at Christ Child. When she became the principal at St. Joseph Grade School, students would do clothing drives or monetary donations for Christ Child. But she wanted them to really see and understand “Why do we give?” So for over 15 years, her students have come to the Center to help. She told me that when she retires, she will be back at the Center again. “I just love those ladies and what they do.” We all love you, Suzanne, and what you do. Thank you from all of us.

January Board Meeting

Before the meeting, a member of the Parish council from St. Patrick’s assured us that we would be able to stay in the building and that they would do whatever they could to resolve the roof problem. President Norma Villanucci informed us that our prayers had been answered and that the Diocese has given the go ahead to have the roof fixed. So we will be staying at this location for many more years.

Beth Barrett spoke about this years “Let Love Shine” auction. She stressed that there is a great need for volunteers in order to make this event a success and gave us a rundown of all the areas in which help is needed. Most of the work will be done in the summer and if you are interested, let Beth Barrett or Kathy Seidl know. Many hands make light work!

The Nominating Committee has 27 great names this year. Linda Brammer and her committee will go through the names and hope to discuss them at the February meeting.

Many of you have heard about the fires at Park Jefferson and all the people who are affected. The Board decided that we would provide emergency clothing to needy families.

Mother’s Day Tea, Style Show Planned for May

Our Mother’s Day Tea and Style show is starting to take shape. We know you will want to mark your calendars now to join us for this delightful and fun event. It will take place on Wednesday, May 9, at the Gillespie Center of Hilton Garden Inn at noon to 2:00 PM.

Christ Child members will model fashions from Stephenson’s in Elkhart. Styles will reflect all sides of busy lifestyles from recreational attire to the season’s newest fashion trends. Danny from Stephenson’s will be joined by WNDU’s Tricia Sloma to make a colorful, entertaining show.

This is a chance to bring your mother, daughter or best friend to enjoy a special time together and welcome springtime. We look forward to seeing all of you join our fellow members at this special occasion.

Book Club
Corelli’s Mandolin
by Louis DeBernieres
February 15
Catherine Koscielski (232-4794)

Deadline for next newsletter
February 21
Ann Korb (277-6443) a339@aol.com
The beautiful Gold Christ Child Remembrance Card is a convenient way to send donations in any amount to the Christ Child Society, as an In Memoriam or in recognition of a special occasion or accomplishment. A donation can be made in memory of deceased friend or relatives who will also be remembered in a perpetual monthly Mass. The card also makes it possible to celebrate happy occasions such as birthdays and anniversaries in the same way. When requesting a Remembrance Card, members are asked to print legibly since the names will be printed in each newsletter with the donor’s name in parentheses. Extra cards are available in the office or from Jane Horning (272-4160).

In Memoriam
Allan Armstrong (Marcia/Tom Blum)
John R Baum (Jim/Pat Short)
Mary Jo Bauters (Bruce/Heidi Burnett, The Christ Child Society, M/M Matthew E Edmonds, Margaret Hosinski, Mick/Carol Lannoo, Larry Spring, Marie Szucs)
Meaghan Beeler (Catherine Fitzpatrick)
Alvena Byers (Nedra J Kennely)
Evelyn Cain (Mary Tice)
Scott Croegaert (Leone/Tony Michel)
Marcia Darden (Suzy/John Halloran)
Lois Demerais (The Christ Child Society)
Agnes Donnelly (Oreln/Joan Biltz)
John (Jack) Doran (The Christ Child Society, Anne M Jordanich, Edward J Jordanich, Kevin P Killilea, Steve/Rachelle Lindo, M/M Ronald Molenda, Mr David Molenda, Marty Redden and Family, Sonny/Dee Tepe, Tuesley Hall Konopa Attorneys, Jim/Nancy Yohe)
William Dubois (Suzy/John Halloran)
Dan Duffy (Roy/Kay Ellgass)
Jack Earl (Kay Houser)
Kathleen Leonard Farhat (Julie W Considine, Merrill/Janet Crull, Claire Duggan White)
Dave Flowers (Toni Pikuza, Sonny/Dee Tepe)
Tom Frasor (Marcia/Tom Blum)
Thomas David Funkhouser (Mary Beth McGrath)
Rose Reid Getse (George/Teddi Murray)
Dorothy Granfield (The Christ Child Society, M/M William Johnson)
Alida Groot (Dan/Beth Barrett, Julie W Considine, Paul/Kathy Schoenle, Sisters, Leadership & Medical Staff of St. Joseph Regional Medical Center, John/Jane Callan, Terry/Trudy Nelson, Douglas/Hendrica Sisk, Theresa Van Nevel)
Charles Gruner (Ann Jones)
Dorothy (Gigi) Hagerty (The Christ Child Society, Marlene/Otto Martinez)
James E Jack (Tom/Judy Burmeister)
Don Jablonski (Christine Jablonski)
Mrs Phyllis Job (Marcia/Tom Blum)
Paul Koscielski (Norma Wilson)
Marlene Kudiaty (Kay Houser)
Jeanette Thornton (Margaret/Wally Moore, Theresa Van Nevel)
Phillip Trippe (Katy Perry)
Elsie VanLiefherring (Bruce/Marcia Auger)
John Verhamme (Theresa Van Nevel)
Shirley Wallace (JoAnn Axelberg, Winnie VandenBosche)
Earl G Weidner (Sheila Emge)
Shirley Weir (Kari/Greg Wuszke)
Father Robert Yast (Bill/Marian Bickel)
David L Young (Rosemary Shafer, Tricia Shafer)

Special Occasion
Tracy Athan - Happy Birthday (Bill Killilea)
Ed/Mako Bauer - Swift Recovery (Karen/Darrell Barnett)
Jan Bogart - Get Well (Barbara Dillon)
Gifts, Memorials
(continued)

Marilyn Bullard - Wishing you a Speedy Recovery from Surgery (Janet Crull)
Jim/Priscella Cain - Christmas Greetings (Tom/Pat Murray)
Alice Campbell (M/M Bernie Gorski)
Lil Chapleau - 100th Birthday (Ann Korb)
Jan Christianson - Happy Birthday (Jean Richards, Paul, Shannon and Connor)
Kenneth Eme (M/M Bernie Gorski)
Kathy Hill - Healing (Carol Loeffler)
Doris Jaworski - 80th Birthday (Toni Pikuza)
Mary Ann Jones (Pat Jones) Maureen Jones - Recovery (Joe/Pat Corcoran)
Tim Killiela - Happy Birthday (Bill Killiela)
Katy Lindenman - Happy Birthday (Bill Killiela)
Robert Mackin - Complete Recovery (Dr John/Marilyn Toeppl)
Joseph Meehan - Happy 80th Birthday (Merrill/Jane net Crull)
Anne Monserez - Speedy Recovery (Elizabeth Goeller)
Pat/Rose Perri - Wishes for a Happy Healthy New Year (Kay/Frank Catanzarite)
Ann Riley - Best Wishes (Carol Bauer, The Shoe Department, Jane Hornig)
Rosemary Shafer - Get Well (Used Clothing Department, Deb/Mike Low, Cal/Tee Miller, Bette/Pat O’Malley)
Betty Scharpf - Complete Recovery (Ann/Dave Jones, Jean Mee)
Donna Schoenle - Birthday (Paul/Kathy Schoenle)
Mariatte Squibb (Carol Bauer)
Special Intention (Kay/Frank Catanzarite)
Damon Tice - Anniversary (Mary Tice)
Judy/Fred Walter (Carol Bauer)
Kari Wuszke - Happy Birthday (Bill Killiela)

Members, Friends Join As Clothe A Child Donors

Many thanks to all the donors who have contributed to the Clothe-A-Child I Campaign. If you have not had an opportunity to send your donation, the campaign does not conclude until June 30, 2012. Please join and help us reach our goal. We are so grateful for your support of our mission to provide new clothes to children in need in our community. Donations received by January, 2012, are listed below.

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Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Brickle

A foursome visits before the December 7 pot luck luncheon.
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Mr. and Mrs. Donald Zimlich
Mr. Alfred J. Zubler
Mr. and Mrs. Glenn Zubler
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Mrs. Joseph Dillon in honor of Mr. and Mrs. Michael Dillon (anniversary)
Mr. and Mrs. Harry Niemier in honor of Erna Ferrell
Mr. and Mrs. Patrick O’Malley in honor of Rev. Kenneth Grabner, C.S.C.
Mr. and Mrs. Emil Hofman in honor of Emil and Joan Hofman 54th Wedding Anniversary
Mrs. Bernice Niegodski in honor of Sally Karczewski
Mr. and Mrs. Austin Drinkall in honor of Sr. Mary Vianney, Mrs. Linda Waltz
Ms. June Poland In honor of Isabel Pacini
Mrs. Patricia Skudlarek in honor of Ganey Pillow
Dr. and Mrs. Paul Macri in honor of Mary Ann Randall
Mr. Paul Marceau in honor of Rosie Shafer
Dr. and Mrs. Lee Tavis in honor of Katie and John Shanley
Ms. Debbie Shearer-Rosenfeld in honor of Frances Shearer
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Mr. Robert McGovern in memory of Dolores McGovern
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and a good time was had by all…

Volunteer Pot Luck Luncheon December 7, 2011
Annual Mass and Spring Luncheon
Wednesday, March 28, 2012

Mass will begin at 10:00 AM at the Basilica of the Sacred Heart, Notre Dame
Luncheon Meeting following Mass at the Morris Inn on Notre Dame campus

Offertory Gifts: Members are asked to bring layette items to be donated to the layette department.

Name __________________________________________ Phone ___________

_____ number of reservations at $25.00 _____________ total enclosed
(Make checks payable to Christ Child Society)

Please send reservations to Linda Brammer, 3002 Miami Street, South Bend 46614

Reservation Deadline - March 21, 2012