

**Hello Dear Brothers and Sisters!**

Soon, the **special time for giving** will be upon us again,  
and this year we hope to brighten up the Holy Days  
and bring some joy to those who are less fortunate than we are.....

**We have again organized a "Toys for Kids" Drive  
for the 2021 Christmas Season.**



Thank you, ALL, dear brothers and sisters ... Last year - our effort was very successful...  
Fr.Dimitri's van was filled up "halfway" with toys.... So....

**THIS YEAR ----  
LET'S TRY TO COMPLETELY FILL Father's VAN !**

Beginning this coming weekend ..... November 13th & 14th-  
**.....and ending December 12**

We will collect toys to be distributed to children during this Christmas season 2021.

The children who will receive these gifts are children that are ill and/or in hospitals.  
This toy drive last year (2020) ....sponsored by the Westport Police Department....  
provided over 1000 kids a Christmas gift....

Most of whom would not have received anything at all...

The toys will ultimately be distributed at:

Bridgeport Children's Hospital,  
Saint Vincent's Medical Center, and  
Connecticut Children's Specialty Care in Fairfield.

It's recommended to families with children to purchase toys  
that are appropriate for the age group of your children.

Have your kids choose!  
(some suggestions below).....

**Please bring a new, unopened, unwrapped toy  
for a child of any age group to:**

St. Nicholas Russian Orthodox Church  
1 Honeyspot Road,  
Stratford, Connecticut, 06615

During the following days/times:

**Saturday, November 20** (5 - 7pm) (All-Night Vigil begins at 5:00 pm).  
**Sunday, November 21** (8:30 - 12:30) (Divine Liturgy begins at 9:00am)

**Saturday, November 27** (5 - 7pm) (All-Night Vigil begins at 5:00 pm).  
**Sunday, November 28** (8:30 - 12:30) (Divine Liturgy begins at 9:00am)

**Friday, December 3** (6 - 8pm) (All-Night Vigil begins at 6:00 pm)  
**Saturday, December 4** (9 - 11am) (Divine Liturgy begins at 9:00am)

**Saturday, December 4** (5 - 7pm) (All-Night Vigil begins at 5:00 pm).  
**Sunday, December 5** (8:30 - 12:30) (Divine Liturgy begins at 9:00am)

**Saturday, December 11** (5 - 7pm) (All-Night Vigil begins at 5:00 pm).  
**Sunday, December 12** (8:30 - 12:30) (Divine Liturgy begins at 9:00am)

**Please take the toys downstairs to the hall,  
and place them in one of the boxes on the tables there...**

**Please do not bring the toys into the church during the Divine Services.**

*..... at Costco, and Wal-mart we noticed .....  
many very nice toys for sale for less than \$20 each.  
PERFECT FOR TEENS!*

*We were at the Costco in Milford, I saw a  
HOVER STAR Motion Controlled "UFO"... (\$15.99)  
Pretty cool!*

***Here are some other ideas....***

***Remote control cars/drones // Water bottles // Wristwatches // Slippers // Gift Cards  
Games // Stuffed animals // Books // art supplies***

**Our deadline is December 12.**



**\*\*Amazon sells Mr. Potato Head .....\*\***



Following Divine Liturgy December 12th,  
Fr. Dimitri will gather up all of the toys collected,  
and deliver them to the appropriate place!

**With Love in Christ,  
Fr. Dimitri**

С Любовью во Христе,  
Протоиерей Димитрий Якимовичь, Настоятель  
**Храмъ Св. Николая Чудотворца**  
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