

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS COATS FOR KIDS PROGRAM APPEAL



THE WEEKEND, NOVEMBER 9th and 10th:

There are many local families struggling to clothe their children in warm winter jackets this year. For the past nine years, The Knights of Columbus from Resurrection Council, working in conjunction with Sister Rosa Dolores Rodriquez, founder of Casa de la Cultura in Pajaro, have provided new winter jackets each year for as many as 560 children, living far below the poverty level. You will have the opportunity to meet Sr. Rosa at the 10:15 AM Mass on November 10th.

These jackets will be distributed to the children at the annual Christmas Party that Sister Rosa will hold for them and their families on December 23th. Sister Rosa is begging for these jackets, as the need is even more critical than the last few years, when the Knights helped her with them. Even more of a demand exists for the families that were impacted by the devastating flood of the town of Pajaro. For many of the children, the gift received at Sister Rosa's Christmas party is the only one they will get for Christmas. Many of the parents were out of work due to COVID-19 and the floods, so Christmas won't happen unless we help Sister Rosa make it happen for those children.

Columbia Sportswear has made a wonderful assortment of new children's jackets available in all different styles, colors, and sizes for the Knights to purchase at 50% below their regular wholesale cost, at \$25-30 each, including freight. These same jackets sell in the stores for \$80-\$90.

This year, so far, two Anonymous Donors have contributed \$6,000.00 in cash to the Knights with the understanding that it must be matched, or the money returned. We must not let that happen since Sister Rosa is counting on us.

Knights will be at the table next weekend as you exit the church to accept and process donations of Cash, Check, Credit or Debit Cards. You can donate online at http://www.kofc9580.org/coats-for-kids/ and a QR Code is available on flyers at the table to make it more convenient to go online (as well as on this flyer). Checks, made payable to the Knights of Columbus Coats for Kids, can be mailed to K of C, PO Box 2322, Aptos, CA, 95001-2322. Cash or checks will be accepted by appointment by calling Larry Young at 831-818-5083.

On behalf of Sister Rosa, affectionately known as "The Mother Teresa of the Pajaro Valley", the Knights thank you sincerely, in advance, for your help.