

August 7, 2024

Dear Parent/Guardian,

The St. Vincent de Paul Society at Corpus Christi Catholic Church provides a *Backpack Ministry* which sends food each Friday during the school year with children who are signed up to participate in the program.

The food in each backpack provides dietary support for a family of 4 for a weekend. Here is a *sample* list of contents that may be included each week:

- 2 breakfasts for 4 (such as packets of oatmeal, grits, or other cereal)
- 2 lunches and 2 dinners for 4 (such as ravioli, soup, macaroni and cheese, tuna fish, or peanut butter and crackers) with fruit/vegetable
- 2 snacks for 4 (such as granola bars or snack crackers)

The filled backpacks are available for pick up on Friday afternoon. Your child **must return the empty backpack to the counselor's office each Monday** so he/she can receive food for the following weekend. Each backpack is numbered, so the child who returns the empty backpack will receive the same backpack the following Thursday or Friday.

The Backpack Ministry team will not have student identification information unless you choose to share it through a note returned in the backpack or a phone call to the church. Otherwise, all communication will be conducted through your school counselor using the backpack number assigned to your child.

To register your child for this program, please return the bottom portion of this letter to the school counselor's office or to his/her teacher.

May God bless you and yours,

Ray Hughes  
St. Vincent de Paul Society  
*Backpack Ministry Program*  
Corpus Christi Catholic Church  
(251) 342-1852

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Student's Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Teacher: \_\_\_\_\_ Grade: \_\_\_\_\_

Parent's/Guardian's Signature \_\_\_\_\_

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of Corpus Christi Catholic Church (251) 342-1852**