

Our Lenten Almsgiving this year will be coordinated by our new Culture of Life Ministry. We will be supporting a different organization each week, so please check out the bulletin each week for a list of needs specific to their mission. If you prefer to donate financially, you will find almsgiving envelopes on the wooden donation boxes in the Narthex. You may also donate online through our parish website: *www.st-stephen.com*.

The organizations and whom they serve are:

- **Magnify of Central Florida/Bishop Grady Villas**

- \* Serving those with disabilities

- **Kairos Outside**

- \* Serving women whose loved ones are in prison

- **Senior Intervention Group**

- \* Serving senior citizens in Seminole County

- **Samaritan Resource Center**

- \* Serving the unhoused in East Orlando

- **Safe House of Seminole County**

- \* Serving victims of domestic violence

Please see the following pages for the complete list of the requested alms for each week during Lent.

## **Alms for March 8-9, 2025: Magnify of Central Florida**

Bishop Grady Villas was founded in 2004 and expanded to serve individuals with disabilities all across Central Florida, thus the name change to Magnify. They provide residential, employment, youth transition, advocacy, and life skills development services to individuals with intellectual and developmental disabilities throughout Central Florida.

Learn more at [MagnifyFL.org](http://MagnifyFL.org)

### ALMS WISH LIST:

- Card stock
- Adult coloring books
- Coloring pencils
- Black pens
- Headphones
- Construction paper
- Coppertone sunscreen SPF 30
- Basketballs
- Reams of paper

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## **Alms for March 15-16, 2025: Kairos Outside**

Kairos Outside offers Christian support to women affected by the incarceration of a loved one. Eligible participants are women aged 20 and older, including wives, daughters, sisters, grandmothers, and friends. The Kairos Outside Weekend helps these women, who often feel isolated and unsupported, by connecting them with others in similar situations. This retreat provides them with a sense of community and understanding.

Learn more at [KairosPrisonMinistry.org](http://KairosPrisonMinistry.org)

### ALMS WISH LIST:

- 10” vases (from Dollar Tree)
- Teddy bears (12-17”)
- Fuzzy socks
- 6 x 9” brown envelopes
- Disposable plates, bowls, cups, and plasticware
- Pocket folders

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## **Alms for March 22-23, 2025: Senior Intervention Group**

The Senior Intervention Group (SIG) is dedicated to sustaining and improving the quality of life for the growing senior population in Seminole County. They help seniors aged 65 and older who aren't able to help themselves. It could be lending a hand with yard work, driving someone to a doctor's appointment, or providing food and other items. SIG is a partnership between local faith-based organizations, first-responders, and other non-profit organizations. Learn more at [SeniorsInterventionGroup.org](http://SeniorsInterventionGroup.org)

### ALMS WISH LIST:

- Mouthwash
- Hand soap
- Adult wipes
- Disposable razors
- Body wash & bar soap
- Body lotion
- Lysol wipes
- Dish soap

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## **Alms for March 29-30, 2025: Samaritan Resource Center**

Samaritan Resource Center serves as an entry point into homeless services, providing coordinated assessments to identify specific service needs and barriers to stable housing. Each client receives services based on a personalized assessment and is guided through a tailored service plan to achieve safe and affordable housing.

Learn more at [SamaritanResourceCenter.org](http://SamaritanResourceCenter.org)

### ALMS WISH LIST:

- Canned meats, soups, fruits, and meals (POP TOP PLEASE!)
- Breakfast bars
- Peanut butter crackers
- Juice boxes
- Sweet cereal for finger food snacks: Honey Nut Cheerios, Cinnamon Toast Crunch, Lucky Charms, Fruity Pebbles

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## **Last Alms for April 5-6, 2025: Safe House of Seminole County**

Safe House of Seminole County helps victims of domestic abuse create new beginnings. Assistance includes shelter, legal services, children and youth services, economic empowerment, and support groups

Learn more at [SafeHouseofSeminole.org](http://SafeHouseofSeminole.org)

### ALMS WISH LIST:

- Socks and underwear (all sizes)
- Bath towels
- Loofas
- Ziploc bags (quart size)
- Paper plates
- Bowls and paper towels
- 5T/6T Pull-ups
- Baby wipes

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