



What's Your 200?

The people of the Diocese of Ohio are joining together to use this bicentennial year as an opportunity to reflect on the past 200 years and express what we aspire to be in the years to come. Each parish has a Bicentennial Missioner to help inspire and encourage their congregation in creating and fulfilling their own "200s" as a way to further develop spirituality and increase our impact in the community. This diocesan-wide initiative gives every congregation - and parishioner - the opportunity to participate. Below are a few examples of some of the "200s" that have already begun.



200 Random Acts of Kindness

The youth in the Southeast Mission Area have committed to 200 random acts of kindness as their way of celebrating the bicentennial. The youth group has already made and delivered cookies to the local Narcotics Anonymous group. Br. Brent Whetstone shared, "The youth were excited to be able to prepare cookies and hand deliver them, noting that group leaders teared up and became emotional at this small form of outreach." Other random acts they are planning include thank you letters to the firefighters, police, and first responders in their area.



200 Squares

Christ Church, Warren is looking for people who crochet to make 7" x 9" squares using any crochet stitch (single, double or triple) and any color yarn (good way to use up all that extra yarn from your previous projects). They need people to strictly crochet the "squares" only. These "squares" will be stitched together to create a multi-colored Amazing Technicolor Dream Afghan "to give warmth to the body and warmth to the heart of neighbors in need."



200 Honey Jars

At the Celebration of New Ministry for the Rev. Charlotte Reed, children and youth from Christ Church, Hudson presented Bishop Hollingsworth with 200 jars to be used to bottle Blessed Bee Honey harvested at Bellwether Farm. The Rev. Reed shared, "The jars were a gift to honor the Bishop's great love and support for this parish." These jars replaced the more than 200 full jars of honey that the Bishop gave away at the groundbreaking for Bellwether Farm.

200 Packages of Diapers

Christ Church, Oberlin, invited parishioners to bring a package (or more) of diapers to the Annual Meeting. The 200 packages of diapers will be donated to Oberlin Community Services.



Follow the Diocese of Ohio on Facebook, Twitter, and Instagram to see more "200s." We post #whatsyour200 weekly for #200tuesday. Please share your own "200s" with your Missioner. A list of Missioners (by congregation) can be found on the Diocesan website at: <http://dohio.org/bicentennial-missioners>. We are looking forward to seeing what we can accomplish working together.

