## Suggestions for Service Projects

Jesus said, "Here I am among you as one who serves." Luke 22:27

Before making a commitment to a service project, think about the variety of ways in which you can use your talents and abilities to help others. These suggestions are only some of the ways other candidates have chosen to serve. Perhaps something on this list will help you decide the service you would like to perform. The list may give you some other ideas of what you would like to do. Perhaps you have your own special service in mind. If so, contact Nathan Stewart at <u>nstewart@shepherdofsouls.org</u> for approval.

Before making your decision and commitment:

- Pray to the Holy Spirit for guidance
- Talk to your parents and sponsor
- Find out real needs people in your family, neighborhood, parish, school, or community have.

## **Service Project Ideas:**

- Help with the yearly Bazaar
- Help with Vacation Bible School or Totus Tuus
- Help with Sunday School
- Organize or help with a recycling project
- Initiate a "clean up" campaign in the parish, school or local park
- Help a needy family
- Tutor after school
- Do yard work at the school or parish (contact Dave Eishens at <u>deischens@shepherdofsouls.org</u> for work availability)
- Write letters or cards to hospitalized children or teens
- Write letters or cards to troops overseas
- Help with a fundraising project for a charitable organization
- Serve as a teacher's aide
- Perform special services for the handicapped
- Raise money for retirement funds for elderly religious sisters, brothers or priests
- Help a family member who needs assistance
- Coach or assist with young children's sports/after school activities
- Prepare a meal or dessert for a family whose parent or child has died
- Earn money for the missions by washing cars, babysitting etc
- Collect, clean and repair clothing for the poor
- Assist senior citizens with chores

## Community and Church Service Opportunities:

**Litchfield High School:** Volunteer at school, a variety of opportunities are available. *Talk with your teachers and coaches to find out where your services are needed.* 

**Relay For Life:** Contact Jean Belinsky at <u>mjbull@localnet.com</u> to find out ways you can get involved

**Care For The Sick:** Volunteer to help with chores or other acts of service for an elderly or infirm relative or family friend.

Prayer to the Holy Spirit

Come, Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of your faithful, and enkindle in us the fire of Your love. Send forth Your Spirit and we shall be created; and You will renew the face of the earth, O God, who did teach the hearts of Your faithful by the light of the Holy Spirit, grant us in the same Spirit to be truly wise, and ever to rejoice in His consolation. Through Christ, our Lord. Amen.

