

# Works of Mercy Report

Candidate's Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Grade: \_\_\_\_\_ Catechist's Name: \_\_\_\_\_

## The Corporal Works of Mercy

- Feed the hungry
- Give drink to the thirsty
- Clothe the naked
- Shelter the homeless
- Visit the sick
- Visit the imprisoned
- Bury the dead

## The Spiritual Works of Mercy

- Admonish the sinner
- Instruct the ignorant
- Counsel the doubtful
- Comfort the sorrowful
- Bear wrongs patiently
- Forgive all injuries
- Pray for the living and the dead

Jesus came "not to be served, but to serve." (Mt 20: 28) The Church is a servant community and all those accepting full membership in the church are accepting the responsibility to serve. Candidates for the reception of Confirmation are asked to select service projects which are geared to their own special talents and abilities. Candidates are asked to perform 3 service projects of Christian service to assist others as part of their preparation for Confirmation. The service should be performed freely and willingly. This work is to be done without pay, to benefit someone in need; and it should be for someone outside of your own family. An attitude for service represents the candidates' intention of becoming full members of this service community, the church, and special followers of Christ-Christians. These projects should be the beginning of a Christian life of service.

Describe Your Project: \_\_\_\_\_

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Which Work(s) of Mercy did you perform in completing this project? (listed above)

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How many hours or times did you volunteer for this project? \_\_\_\_\_

What did this project have to do with living your faith? \_\_\_\_\_

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How did performing this service make you feel? What did it teach you?

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To be completed by Parent or Sponsor - In what way(s) did this project impact your teen?

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**I have reviewed and discussed this project with my candidate.** Please take time to discuss with your teen the mission of the Church and our long history of Catholic social teaching. As you do this, you will help them understand that service is not an extracurricular activity, but a way of living our faith.

Name of parent/sponsor: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

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