

CONFIRMATION STEWARDSHIP PROJECTS

Why do we do stewardship projects for Confirmation?

Stewardship is based on the idea that all that we have and all that we are comes from God. In order to thank God for all our blessings, we need to give back a portion of the time, talent, and treasure that God has given us. Stewardship is not a program; rather it is an attitude, a way of life. Stewardship calls for us walk as our savior Jesus Christ did, giving and sharing of ourselves with others. Confirmation is the time where you confirm your beliefs and commit to living as a good Christian following the example of Jesus Christ. Participating in stewardship projects is a way for you to sample different types of outreach programs and to discover what talents you have and how you can share God's gifts to you with others. Through stewardship you will find that the gifts of the spirit you receive are even greater than the time you spend.

Confirmandi are being asked to participate in a variety of stewardship activities. There will be some required projects as well as individual stewardship hours.

Projects

Projects are a good way to try different stewardship opportunities while building community with other Confirmation candidates. They are also a way for RE and St. Francis School students to get to know one another prior to Youth Group and high school.

Ideas for Individual Stewardship Hours

1. Offer to baby sit for free for a neighbor so they can go Christmas shopping or have a night out.
2. Volunteer to help Mom, Dad, or a neighbor with household or yard chores.
3. Wash your Mom or Dad's car.
4. Do something special for a brother or sister, e.g., help them with homework, play a game with them, teach them how to play a sport, etc.
5. Volunteer to help at Humane Society (generally involves cleaning cages)
6. Volunteer at the Thrift Shop on a Saturday between 10:00 a.m. and 1:00 p.m. This is a great parent/child activity. The Thrift Shop is in particular need of help during the summer, particularly fathers, when "snow-bird" volunteers are away from June through the Christmas holiday season. Contact Hal Wieland, Thrift Shop Manager, and 689-5212 to volunteer. *One of the students last year enjoyed the Thrift Shop so much that this is where he put in most of his individual stewardship hours!*
7. Help a younger child with reading or math
8. Volunteer to provide nursery service for parent meetings for school or assist in St. Francis school after care program
9. Be an altar server
10. Thanksgiving and Christmas Food Basket sorting.

Required Hours

7th Grade	10 hours
8th Grade	10 hours

