

Christian Service

The Christian life calls the faithful to share their gifts and talents in service to Church and community. Through acts of service, the Confirmation candidate explores his/her gifts and talents and more fully develops an understanding of sacrificial love and the joy of self-giving.

“The central message is simple: our faith is profoundly social. We cannot truly be called ‘Catholic’ unless we hear and heed the church’s call to serve those in need and work for justice and peace. We cannot call ourselves followers of Jesus unless we take up his mission of bringing ‘good news to the poor, liberty to captives and new sight to the blind.’ ” (Communities of Salt and Light, U.S. Bishops, 1993)

Each candidate will participate in two service opportunities/projects that impact our church and/or communities by addressing the corporeal and spiritual works of mercy. The service opportunities should move the candidate beyond the normal service given within the family (chores, babysitting, etc.).

The candidate will complete a reflection process for each service opportunity. The completed “Christian Service” forms are to be submitted on **August 15**.

Candidate’s Name:

Project Description:

Project Date and Location:

Explain how the service opportunity addressed one or more Corporal or Spiritual Works of Mercy:

Feed the Hungry Clothe the Naked Visit the Imprisoned Shelter the Homeless
Visit the Sick Instruct the Ignorant Counsel the Doubtful Admonish Sinners
Comfort the Sorrowful Pray for the Living and the Dead Forgive All Injuries

Explain:

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While participating in this service opportunity, I witnessed God’s presence...

The most difficult aspect of this service opportunity was...

The most surprising aspect of this service opportunity was...

I would or would not continue serving in this manner because...

Candidate's Signature_____

Parent/Guardian Signature_____