



Sacred Heart of Jesus Catholic Church

“As each has received a gift, use it to serve one another as good stewards of God’s varied grace.” — 1 Peter 4:10

Confirmation Service Ministry

We were created to know, love and serve the Lord. The more we learn about Christ, spend time with Him, and grow in relationship with Him, the more we love Him. We show this love by serving God, and we serve Him by living a life of service to others. Jesus himself tells us “Truly, I say to you, as you did it to one of the least of these, my brothers, you did it to me.” (Mt. 25:40)

Corporal Works of Mercy: The Corporal Works of Mercy are these kind acts by which we help our neighbors with their material and physical needs.

- To feed the hungry;
- To give drink to the thirsty;
- To clothe the naked;
- To house the homeless;
- To visit the sick;
- To ransom the captive;
- To bury the dead.

Spiritual Works of Mercy: The Spiritual Works of Mercy are acts of compassion, as listed below, by which we help our neighbors with their emotional and spiritual needs.

- To instruct the ignorant;
- To counsel the doubtful;
- To admonish sinners;
- To bear wrongs patiently;
- To forgive offences willingly;
- To comfort the afflicted;
- To pray for the living and the dead.

Service ministry is a large component of preparation for Confirmation. As the hands and feet of Christ, each Confirmation student is to complete a minimum of **30 hours of service** by March, 2017 (due date TBD). Ten (10) of these hours should be done in the parish and 20 hours completed outside of the parish.

Examples of In-Parish Service:

- Childcare for Ministry Meetings
- Lenten Fish Fry
- Church Cleaning
- SOR Classroom Aide
- Altar Serving

Examples of Out-of-Parish Service:

- St. Mary’s Food Kitchen
- Harvester’s Food Bank
- Nursing Home Visits
- Catholic Charities
- Meals on Wheels

Please watch the bulletin, email announcements, and Sacred Heart’s website for opportunities to serve here at Sacred Heart, in our local community, and in our world-wide Church. Remember that you are not to accept monetary compensation for service hours. I encourage you to get out and try something new! Keep in mind that it is in giving that we receive. Get out there and let your light shine!