

St. Mary Parish Religious Education Program

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Dear 7th & 8th Grade students:

Confirmation Service Projects are a part of your Confirmation Program. To follow **Jesus** is to be of loving service to others as He was. **Jesus** gave the example of service throughout his life, and St James reminds us of the importance of Faith AND Works!

You will need to complete **10 hours** of Confirmation Service each year. Here are some ideas for service projects which you can begin during the summer:

- Run errands for the elderly, assist with yard work, etc.
- Organize a food drive in your neighborhood for a local food pantry.
- Adopt a senior citizen as a grandparent.
- Visit a homebound relative or friend.
- Baby-sit for free, or donate the money earned to charity.
- Address cards for someone who is elderly or unable to write.
- Organize a card writing campaign and send Thank You cards to the Military Men & Women serving overseas.
- Help St Mary's with Thanksgiving Baskets, Christmas Giving Tree, or Sponsor-a-Family.
- Volunteer to help out at a Soup Kitchen, Food Pantry, or FoodBank of Monmouth & Ocean County.
- Assist at Sunday Mass as an Altar Server, Greeter, or Usher; **1 hour per Mass served.**
- Help **CURB HUNGER**- Confirmation students can bring in a bag FILLED with non-expired, non-perishable food items every week, and place them in the bin in the Gathering Space. **Each FULL bag counts as 1 hour of community service.**
- Volunteer at a local library, read books and/or stories to young children.
- Volunteer at a local hospital, assisted living or senior center such as Brandywine.
- Contact Delicious Orchards to assist with their 'Barn for the Poorest of Poor'.
- Contact Habitat for Humanity for volunteer work.
- Check the Bulletin and St Mary's website for other opportunities that may arise.

● *These are only a few examples of the many things you can do!*

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CONFIRMATION SERVICE HOURS RECORD

Name: _____ Facilitator: _____ Group A or B _____

This is a record of your achievements as well as the hours and time you devote to your **service project**. It will help you develop a sense of self-accountability and serve as a reminder that, for Christians, **faith and works** go hand in hand

Minimum Ten (10 Hours per YEAR.

Please use additional forms if needed!

Service Performed	Date Performed	Corporal or Spiritual Work of Mercy?	Supervisor or Parent Initials	Hours Performed

PAGE TOTAL HOURS: _____

Status of Hours will be reviewed monthly by the catechist and/or Coordinator.

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CONFIRMATION SERVICE HOURS REPORT

Name: _____ **Facilitator:** _____ **Group A or B**

For your Confirmation Service Report, please answer these questions on the back of this page or on a separate piece of paper. THIS Page, the RECORD page, and your answers to the questions below should be submitted TOGETHER!

1. Briefly describe the projects you performed.
2. Which Projects did you like the MOST and WHY?
3. Which Projects did you like the LEAST and WHY?
4. Please identify which Works of Mercy some of them are? Corporal? Spiritual?
5. How did YOU feel when your performed these projects?
6. If applicable, how did the person YOU HELPED feel?
7. What did you LEARN from this experience?

Corporal Works of Mercy:

1. Feed the hungry.
2. Give drink to the thirsty
3. Clothe the naked.
4. Shelter the homeless.
5. Visit the sick.
6. Visit the imprisoned.
7. Bury the dead.

Spiritual Works of Mercy

1. Counsel the doubtful
2. Instruct the uninformed.
3. Admonish the sinner
4. Comfort the sorrowful.
5. Forgive injuries
6. Bear wrongs patiently.
7. Pray for the living and the dead.

