

Time and Talents Opportunities

You are a vital part of our parish's ministry.

Examine all the gifts God has given you and decide how you will use them to glorify His name through worship and service and help build His kingdom on earth.

SERVICE TO THE COMMUNITY and PARISH

While Jesus was eating a sacred meal with his friends, he got up from the table and quietly started washing the feet of everyone in the room.

When he finished he asked them, "Do you know why I did that?"

I wanted to give you an example to follow. You should be concerned about everyone. You should try to do whatever you can to make people comfortable, even if it's a little thing! That's why I washed your feet. You should help one another. (JN 13:1-15)

The idea of service is not to be viewed as a way to earn the right to receive the sacrament. The Sacrament of Confirmation is a gift from God.

All Sacraments have a communal aspect as well as being an individual celebration. The call to service is the way that this community has challenge the candidates to awaken the Holy Spirit in their lives. We call them to see their responsibility to others and then ask them to witness to us through their growth and change in the Holy Spirit.

The best way that parents can assist their children is to become involved in parish service WITH their child.

Candidates for the sacrament of Confirmation are asked to complete a minimum of **20 service hours to the community and 10 service hours for parish over the two years of your preparation.**

The type of service, location, hours completed, and verification (by their parents) as well as a reflection on the activity will be recorded in their journal. **This section of your journal will be review by the end of our Christian Formation Program, May 19th, 2018.**

Community Service Ideas

Do one act of service each day at home.

Run an errand for a neighbor.

Mow a neighbor's lawn OR rake leaves OR shovel snow.

Volunteer at the nursing home OR Greenwood Apartments.

Organize games for neighborhood children.

Form a babysitting club with other candidates and baby sit for free.

Ecumenical Food Pantry, Thanksgiving baskets.

Helping Hands Thrift Store

Christmas Giving Tree, gift wrapping

SERVICE TO THE PARISH

Music Ministry

Lectors

Ushers

Greeters

Altar Servers

Children's Liturgy of the Word

Prayer line request group

BE CREATIVE – Come up with ideas of your own.

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Date of service _____ Hours completed _____

Location _____

Verified by _____

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