

## Suggestions for Service Projects

### *Guidelines for Service*

Service is based on the spiritual and corporal works of mercy and, most of all, on the example of Christ who came to serve. When giving service, the following points should be considered:

- Your service is not just a job to be done. It is selflessly and lovingly helping those in need.
- You should reflect on how your service project is helping you take on the mind and heart of Christ, fulfill the needs of others, and build up the Christian community.
- The giving of service should continue after your Confirmation and throughout all your life.
- You are not paid in monetary means.

### **Service Suggestions**

- ❑ Rake leaves in fall/pull weeds in summer for an elderly neighbor in need or call parish office for names of parishioners who need help. 361-5126 ex200
- ❑ Help serve coffee & donuts on Sundays. Contact: Mary White 446-3110
- ❑ Help with the Stations of the Cross on Friday nights during Lent
- ❑ The Knights of Columbus put on a few pancake breakfasts during the year and are always in need of volunteers. Contact Jim TenEyck 914-6255
- ❑ Help with the Lenten Dinners – help is always needed and appreciated.
- ❑ Help clean & decorate the Church for the Holidays.
- ❑ Become one of the many dedicated stewards who clean the Church on a regular basis. They rotate shifts each week so you end up doing it about once a month.
- ❑ Get involved in the Assumption Garden Club and help with the gardens on the Church grounds. Contact: Jennifer Miller 616) 334-8447 (cell). The garden club would love to have the kids help for service hours.
- ❑ Clean Ministry Center – call Cheryl for details.
- ❑ Parish Auction could always use extra hands. Watch the bulletin for details
- ❑ Set up & take down chairs for the following Masses: 1<sup>st</sup> Communion, Easter, and Christmas.
- ❑ Help with the Thanksgiving Food Drive
- ❑ Make cards to homebound parishioners. Ask the parish office for the name and address of a sick parishioner. Call, write, or visit this person regularly.
- ❑ Contact local agencies or care centers and find out if they accept and train volunteers.
- ❑ Pray in front of the abortion clinic.
- ❑ Youth group service projects count toward service hours.

- ❑ Volunteer for the Arts/Crafts/Market Bazaar Contact Jackie Lyals at 616-361-5126 ex 204
- ❑ Help at the annual Chili Fest. They need a lot of help! Contact Jackie Lyals at 616-361-5126 x204
- ❑ Become an Altar server, a lector, do the worship screen or join in the choir/music for service hours.
- ❑ Talk to Mr. Galloway or Mrs. Sokolowski if you have any questions regarding service projects.

### **Things that DO NOT count as Service Projects**

1. Family chores and obligations
2. If you got paid, it does not count as service