

Saint John the Evangelist Catechesis

Confirmation Requirement:

Stewardship (Spiritual and Corporal Works of Mercy)

Helping others is a foundational part of Catholic teaching. It is our obligation and our duty. Learning to be good stewards of the gifts that God has given us is essential to growing in our faith and relationship with God. We ask each Confirmation candidate to experience Liturgical and Service Stewardship in both Grade 7 and in Grade 8 through practicing the Corporal and Spiritual Works of Mercy within the home, Parish and Diocesan communities.

Because of this we have a stewardship requirement for Confirmation preparation. These are the requirements: at least 5+ Liturgical and at least 5+Service Hours/Experiences to be completed in the Home, Parish and Diocese. Students may serve more than the 10 required experiences for each grade level. **The number of hours is not the goal, it is the experience gained that we are striving for so please do not look at this as counting hours.**

Some ideas of Liturgical Hours:

- ♥ family pilgrimage by visiting holy places to pray,
- ♥ praying rosary at home or while driving for the intentions of others (spiritual works of mercy),
- ♥ going to confession,
- ♥ attending Holy Mass during the week (outside Sunday's obligation),
- ♥ Pray the Stations of the Cross
- ♥ praying devotions like Divine Mercy chaplet at 3:00PM
- ♥ Making a visit in church for Eucharistic Adoration on Thursdays or anytime for 15mins/week
- ♥ Read the Sunday scripture readings at home before attending Holy Mass on Sunday

Some ideas of Services:

- ♥ seeking opportunities to do spiritual and corporal works of mercy- at home, parish
- ♥ Serve at Mass: Altar Server, Usher, Lector, sing in the Choir
- ♥ Attend a diocesan event that offers service to others
- ♥ Visit or write a letter to comfort the homebound and or sick relative/friend
- ♥ and any other services that involve either corporal or spiritual works of mercy

There will be plenty of opportunities within our Parish and Faith Formation Program to fulfill these requirements. Help Clean & Decorate the Church for the Liturgical Seasons, Help Serve the Monthly Reception, Send Cards to the Homebound and many more.

Below are the lists of the Works of Mercy

Corporal Works of Mercy

Spiritual Works of Mercy

Feed the Hungry	Instruct the Ignorant
Give Water to the thirsty	Counsel the doubtful
Clothe the Naked	Admonish the sinners
Shelter the homeless	Bear wrongs patiently
Visit the sick	Forgive Offenses
Visit the imprisoned	Comfort the Afflicted
Bury the dead	Pray for the living and the dead

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Stewardship Project Record Form Please complete a **Form for EACH Project.**

Please circle: Liturgical or Service

Candidate's Name and Grade: _____

Project Name or Description: (Who did it serve?) _____

Date/Time Spent: _____

What Corporal or Spiritual Work of Mercy inspired this service?

Your reaction? (i.e How did it make you feel? Would you do it again? Did you learn anything about yourself and others?):

Signature of parent/guardian or person served as witness to the service hours earned:
