

SERVICE IS FAITH IN ACTION

Jesus said, "I have given you a model to follow, so that as I have done for you, you should also do." John 13: 15

It is not enough to simply KNOW about our faith. Putting our faith into action means serving others, and our service demonstrates the depth of our commitment to love others the way that Jesus loves each one of us.

In the process of becoming a fully committed member of the Christian community, our high school youth will recognize service as a way of life for devoted Christians. When students receive the Sacrament of Confirmation in their Junior year, they will receive the gifts of the Holy Spirit to help them remain committed to their Catholic faith throughout their adult life.

By engaging in service, we are able to identify the service we have already been providing to others, and we look for opportunities to explore new ways to use our talents and interests in making a difference in the lives of the people around us.

It is our sincere hope that when our students observe the impact they have made in others' lives, their commitment to their Catholic faith and to their Catholic Faith community will be strengthened, and they will become committed followers of Jesus Christ.

In addition to offering service to our parish and to our community, it is vital that we participate in Mass on a weekly basis. Partaking in the Eucharistic life of our parish is both a privilege and an obligation for all Catholics. By worshipping as a community, we are building up the Body of Christ in Holy Trinity and St. Michael parishes, and in our world.

Our Religious Education Program is requesting that every high school student prayerfully consider the ministry they feel called to assist in at Mass, and the types of service projects they would like to be involved with throughout the 2017-2018 faith formation year. Please keep in mind that freshmen and sophomore students should complete their service hours by April 11, 2018 (Confirmation students will be assigned an earlier due date), so the approaching summer months provide ideal times for your son/daughter to become involved in parish and community events. Forms for keeping a record of service hours, etc. will be made available once you have handed in the attached Service Hours Selection Form.

