

Our Lady of the Sacred Heart Church



Community Service Project in Preparation for Confirmation

You have been blessed with many special qualities and talents. A sign of maturity is sharing these gifts with others, especially others who are less fortunate.

An important step in your preparation for the Sacrament of Confirmation is for you to demonstrate this growth by freely giving of yourself in the service of others. This is a way of showing your love for God and your maturity as a Christian. Ask yourself how often you go out of your way to assist others or if you make yourself available to serve others as Christ asks of us.

When performing community service, you will learn about giving back to the community and to others less fortunate. You will also learn work ethics i.e. to give your best and do your best. It is hoped that this venture into community service will provide you with a sense of achievement and self-fulfillment and begin a life-long commitment for you to serve others as Jesus did.

As mature Christians we must have concern and reach out to the members of our community who are in need of our talents. In preparation for the Sacrament of Confirmation each candidate is to perform 15 hours of community service. This service is to assist someone outside your immediate family and you should not receive any financial or material remuneration. Please account for these 15 hours of community service on the "Confirmation Community Service" Form. All service must be documented (signed off on the form or accompanied by a signed letter on letterhead). Please reflect on what you learned and how helping others made you feel on the second page of this form.

Your community service hours and this form will be due in February 2019.



Potential COMMUNITY SERVICE Opportunities

You can perform your community serve at many different agencies and organizations in our community. Here is just a partial list.

- Our Lady of the Sacred Heart Church at 365-2141 (Service such as altar serving, helping Religious Education as an aide or office worker are all considered community service).
- Buddy Ball <http://buddyballsports.org/> No pre-registration is necessary. Just go to the gym (Pearl River High School) and play basketball with a child with a disability. Check web site for more specific information.
- Keep Rockland Beautiful has many various opportunities for youth to volunteer and you can even set your own schedule. Check out this link <http://www.keeprocklandbeautiful.org/volunteer/>
- Orangeburg Library seeks 7th-12th graders for community service. <https://blogs.socsd.org/tzhs/files/2014/01/Orangeburg-Library-Community-Service-2015a-1mmjahv.pdf>
- Brady's Smile – Make no-sew fleece blankets for babies in PICU, "Crayons and Care"- create pictures to decorate a baby/child's hospital room, donate items for comfort bags etc. <http://www.bradyssmile.org>
- People to People – Organize your own food or clothing drive. <http://www.peopletopeopleinc.org>
- Alex's Lemonade Stand – raise money for pediatric cancer. <http://www.alexlemonade.org>
- Baking Memories 4 Kids – Help send kids with terminal or life threatening illness and their families to Florida amusement parks. See web site for more details <http://www.bakingmemories4kids.com>
- Nyack Hospital 348-2181
- Good Samaritan Hospital 368-5000 X6396
- Pascack Valley Hospital 1-201-358-3220
- Meals on Wheels 624-6325
- Hi Tor Animal Shelter 354-7900
- Rockland Psychiatric Center 359-1000
- Soup Angels soupangels@gmail.com
- American Cancer Society 368-1251
- Helen Hayes Hospital 364-2846
- Study Buddies (Palisades Library) 359-0136
- Tappan Library (Student Advisory Group) 359-3877
- Tappan Volunteer Fire Department info@tappanfire.com



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CONFIRMATION Community Service

Name _____

Due Date: February 2019

15 OR MORE HOURS REQUIRED These 15 hours must be rendered to the Community at large...not one's own family and must be certified by a qualified leader of the community. You are not to receive any remuneration for this service.

Complete Name of the Organization or Person you served	Describe the work that you performed and the kind of service you gave to the organization/person listed to the left.	Dates of Service & Number of Hours	Please attach letterhead or have signed by Community Leader (Name and Title)

Choose **one** of the Organizations that you served and provide the following information:

What type of organization is this? Who do they help?

What did you do to help this organization?

How did you feel about this project?
