



## **YEAR 2 ~ Service Hour Log (2011-2012)**

**IT'S UP TO YOU** -Confirmation preparation is a time for you to transition from having a “passive faith” to having an “active faith”.

- **Confirmation Requirement** – 15 hours minimum of service (half or more must be within the parish community)

### **SOME IDEAS . . . (Corporal Works Of Mercy)**

- The following are suggestions to help you develop your own service projects. Remember, these should be “extraordinary acts” wherein you go beyond your normal routine to serve others.
- **“Feed the Hungry” / “Give Drink to the Thirsty”**
  - Host a mini-food drive in your neighborhood; work in the Allen Food Pantry; donate money/food to the food pantry; contact the Samaritan Inn and ask how you can help with a meal; donate and shop for groceries for a neighbor who needs help.
- **“Clothe the Naked”**
  - Host a clothing drive in your neighborhood; clean out your closet, and donate your things to Goodwill; donate baby items or children’s clothing to a shelter; choose an angel from the Giving Tree, use YOUR OWN MONEY to buy the gift(s)
- **“Visit the Imprisoned” / “Shelter the Homeless”**
  - Look into ways of helping those in other countries who are imprisoned by extreme poverty, or some type of political or religious persecution; prayer and simply raising awareness in others can be very helpful
  - Help an elderly person who is homebound with yard work, housework, or just by visiting
  - Contact a homeless shelter, ask about ways you can help
- **“Visit the Sick” / “Bury the Dead”**
  - Contact a senior citizens home – ask if you can play bingo, bring cookies, etc.; visit someone in the hospital/nursing home;
  - Help a sick friend or neighbor with housework, yard work, etc. (without pay);
  - Visit a children’s hospital – take stuffed animals, coloring books, etc.)
  - Pray a weekly rosary for the souls in purgatory; place flowers at the gravesite of a family member or friend who has died
- **Other Ways to Serve . . .**
  - Read the JYM emails for information on upcoming service opportunities
  - Be an ALTER SERVER; be a teen volunteer for Children’s Ministries; volunteer to help with VBS
  - Sign up for St. Jude’s Youth Mission Week
  - PRAY! A weekly rosary for any special cause (the sick, the dead, an end to abortion, etc.) is a WONDERFUL way to serve
  - ADORATION! We have Adoration at St. Jude each Tuesday and Thursday – great way to serve!
  - Be creative, pray about it, ask God to help you see where He needs your hands and your heart.