

Service Component of Confirmation Prep

Service is both an attitude and an action which flows naturally from one's baptismal call as a grateful response to God's gifts. Through service candidates participate more fully in the life of the Church. Service challenges one to stretch beyond his or her comfort zone.

Service is:

- An extension and affirmation of one's personal gifts.
- An ongoing responsibility of the individual to the community

following the model of Jesus.

- Generated from existing parish activities.
- Designed to invite the participation of all the candidates.
- Part of daily life, yet distinct from ordinary responsibilities.
- Based on genuine need.
- A response which flows from a personal cause or need.
- A catalyst that provides young people an understanding of what

it means to be a good steward and fosters a life of stewardship.

- An opportunity for young people to develop an attitude of responsibility for the needs of the parish and community, both locally and globally.
- A way for youth to recognize that God loves them and fills their lives with blessings of every kind, trusting the gifts will be shared generously.

Service is an opportunity to:

- Explore ministries in the parish.
- Recognize giftedness in the candidate.
- Encourage the candidate to recognize the giftedness in others.
- Address Catholic social teachings.

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- Find something you're passionate about
- Serve in some capacity for that cause/person/organization/community
 - **We suggest 5 hours**
- *Write a reflection on your experience of service:
 - What you did
 - When you did it
 - Why you did it
 - How you will continue to serve as a fully initiated Catholic
 - Why both faith and actions are important
 - Please type these reflections, suggested 2 pages double spaced
- *Provide an artifact of your experience (pictures, video footage, pamphlet, etc.)
- Reflection and Artifact are **Due at retreat**
- Be prepared to share your experiences of service at the Confirmation Retreat to your small group

***This will be reviewed by Marcia, Kathy, and Fr. Anderson** (Confirmation Coordinator, Director of Faith Formation, and Pastor). Questions? Contact Marcia Nachtman: dbqrt3s2@dbqarch.org