

# SERVICE PROJECTS AND OUTREACH

**Due August 31st**

Service and outreach is not just part of our Confirmation preparation process, but is an important aspect of the practice of our Catholic faith. As you go through the Confirmation process, we invite you to experience service and outreach projects, to benefit both the parish and local community.

A Holy Cross Parish, our Confirmation candidates complete 2 service projects. One benefit the parish community and one are to help out our local community or the candidate's family.

The only applicable rules are (1) obviously, the candidate will not be paid for his/her service, and (2) the hours should not be "double counted" as credit for school-related service, such as for Silver Cord, NHS, etc. What you do in service of your parish or community is up to you.

When you have completed a project, fill out an attached reflection form and submit it. All service projects should be completed by the end of the school year, or no later than August 31st.

Here are some ideas or suggestions for service hours:

## Parish Service Projects

Help out at PREP or children's liturgy  
Lector at Mass or Be an altar server  
Help with Fall clean up work at church  
Help at a Knights of Columbus breakfast,  
or at a parish dinner or fish dinner  
Participate in the parish Angel Tree gift-  
giving event at Christmas  
Volunteer to help with Vacation Bible  
School  
Visit a homebound parishioner

## Community/Family Service Projects

Visit a nursing home  
Volunteer at the Food Bank or library  
Rake leaves or shovel snow for a  
grandma or neighbor  
Work at the Soup Kitchen  
Raise money for a charity  
Walk/run in a fund raising event

## Need more ideas?

Call one of these charities or organizations and ask how you can help.

Ronald McDonald House 255-4084  
Safe Place 258-7233  
Siouxland Humane Society 252-2614  
Gospel Mission 255-1769  
Soup Kitchen 258-0027  
Opportunities Unlimited 277-8295  
Mary's Choice 274-6279  
Habitat for Humanity 255-6244  
Camp High Hopes 224-2267  
Siouxland Foster Closet 712-624-4543