

CORPUS CHRISTI PARISH CONFIRMATION PREPARATION COMMUNITY SERVICE

All candidates for Confirmation are required to give of their time and talents so as to learn the acts of service are a regular part of our daily living of the Christian Way of Life as taught in the Gospels.

"Lord, when did we see you hungry and feed you, or thirsty and give you drink? When did we see you a stranger and welcome you, or naked and clothe you? When did we see you ill or in prison, and visit you?" And, the King will say to them in reply, "Amen, I say to you, whatever you did for one of these least brothers of mine, you did for me." Matthew 25:37-40

Being a Christian, a Catholic and a disciple of Christ calls us to live our lives according to the example and instructions Jesus himself gave us. This is our mission as Church, and it is a BIG responsibility! Service should be something that truly gives you an experience of discipleship! When considering community service ask yourself the following questions:
"Have I made a difference in someone's life today? Is the world a little better off because of my actions today?" think about the gifts & talents that God has given you, what can you do with those gifts to make a difference in someone's life that may be less fortunate than yourself. Consider the words of Mother Teresa:

"Not all of us can do great things. But we can do small things with great love." It is not how much we give but how much love we put into giving."

- 1. Candidates are required to fulfill the following three areas of service:
- 5 Hours of MINISTRY Service: benefitting Corpus Christi Parish
- 5 Hours of <u>SOCIAL JUSTICE</u> Service: benefitting the less fortunate (i.e. the elderly, poor, hunger, homeless, mentally or physically ill, the chronically ill, the disenfranchised).
- 5 Hours of <u>COMMUNITY</u> service: benefitting people or organizations in the greater Wheeling community.

2. Within 2 WEEKS of performing the service, candidates must complete and submit a "Reflection on Service" paper for each service project. Hours without this form will NOT count toward the 15 hour total requirement. Hours completed during the summer can be recorded and turned in after the first Confirmation session.

Forms may be obtained from Mrs. Becker, the Parish office, the 8th grade religion teacher or downloaded from the Parish website: <u>www.corpuschristiwheeling.org</u>. Completed forms are to be dropped off or mailed to the Parish Office attn: Cindy Becker or handed in to your religion teacher. Forms can also be scanned and e-mailed to <u>cbecker@stratuswave.net</u> or <u>cindy@corpuschristiwheeling.org</u>.

3. Service hours must be completed from June 1, 2011 to April 1, 2012. Any questions or concerns are to be directed to Mrs. Cindy Becker, 304-277-2911