

Junior High Christian Service @ St. Jude the Apostle

Christian Service is a valuable part of Junior High Religion Curriculum. Our goal for this project is to push our students a bit out of their comfort level and expose them to the wonderful ways they are able to give back. Although they are just teenagers, these students can make such a wonderful impact in their community. The goal of this assignment is not for the students to do what they normally do, but to have them go above and beyond in the act of serving others.

The theme of Christian Service for the Junior High is reaching out to the community. Each grade level does something special and unique to address that theme. We want students to participate with those activities as well as find additional ways to participate in Christian Service.

The requirements for Christian Service are as follows:

- 5 hours each trimester
- Service must take place during the trimester
- 2 hours required with the St. Jude Community or Church. Church projects include Parish Festival, Altar Serving, Parish Service Programs.
- 3 hours maximum for altar serving and Sunday choir.
- All hours can be done with the St. Jude Community or Church
- Class Projects/Activities (usually arranged by HR Christian Service Parent Reps)
- Outside hours can vary, but the activity must be selfless service that is outside of the students' extra-curricular activities, sports, or hobbies
- Students work with their Junior High homeroom teachers: Mrs. Johnson for 6th/Miss Vitelli for 7th and Mr. Williams for 8th for any questions or final say on whether hours count.

With each activity a Christian Service sheet must be filled out. Each homeroom teacher has these sheets available in the classroom. The signature piece can come from a supervisor of the activity or a parent. With this sheet, two paragraphs must be typed.

- Paragraph #1: What did you do? Explain the activity and your role.
- Paragraph #2: How does this activity relate to the school's Student Learning Expectations? (These can be found in any classroom and on the first page of the Student Planner.)

~The Junior High Team

We are all so blessed in many ways. The best way to appreciate our blessings is to be a blessing to someone else.