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Faith Formation Office
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**CONFIRMATION COMMUNITY SERVICE
Due March 25, 2020**

Guidelines for Service

Service is based on the spiritual and corporal works of mercy and, most of all, on the example of Christ, who came to serve. When giving service, the following points should be considered:

- Your service is not just a job to be done. It is selflessly and lovingly helping those in need.
- You should reflect on how your service project is helping you take on the mind and heart of Christ, fulfill the needs of others and build up the Christian community.
- The giving of service should continue after your Confirmation and all through your life.

Below are listed suggestions of ways in which you can serve others selflessly (no remuneration). We require that you complete **a minimum of TEN HOURS of service, 2 to the parish and 8 to the wider community**. Although all can be for the parish if your so desire.

1. Visit the elderly – in senior citizen residences or homes.
2. Perform volunteer work in your neighborhood, school or church.
3. Help a handicapped person or support the family of a handicapped child by playing with or caring for the child.
4. Participate in a walk-a-thon to support your favorite charity.
5. Contribute your services to the local library.
6. Help a teacher before or after school.
7. Visit with and help to take care of someone who is sick. Care for lawns, rake leaves or clear the snow for elderly or sick neighbors.
8. Do some service for senior citizens or shut-ins in your neighborhood by shopping, gardening or housekeeping.
9. Contribute your services to the Parish. (Peanut Butter and Jelly gang - we will send memos home with opportunities).
10. Other – must be approved by the Faith Formation Office.

**HOUSEWORK WITHIN YOUR OWN HOUSE OR THAT OF A RELATIVE
IS NOT ACCEPTABLE COMMUNITY SERVICE.**