Confirmation Service Requirements 2023-2024

Service to our community is a big part of our Confirmation program. It allows you to get out into the community and serve those in need. On our website, there is a blank service form for you to download and fill out. Half of the hours are due by our class in December. Remaining hours are due by the last class. All candidates need to fill out and bring the form with them to those sessions as that will be the primary focus for our small group discussions.

9th Grade – 4 hours due by December 11 or 13, 2023 9th Grade – 4 hours due by March 11 or 13, 2024 10th Grade – 5 hours due by December 4 or 6, 2023 10th Grade – 5 hours due by April 8 or 10, 2024

Some examples of ways to serve

- Assist with our Kid's Corner program for Pre-School children at the 10:00 am mass on Sunday mornings.
- Assist with our Children's Liturgy of the Word program for grades 1-4 during the 10:00 am mass on Sunday mornings.
- Assist with the middle school GAIM Time mass during the 12-noon mass.
- Assist with grades 5-8 large group programs on Monday or Wednesday afternoons or evenings.
- There are many organizations here in the parish that need help with technology, and outreach. Check our website and weekly email blasts for upcoming opportunities.
- Contact Patti Gardner on ways you can support our outreach efforts during the holidays and for ongoing service opportunities.
- Work at the Community Food Bank in Hillside. https://cfbnj.org/
- Schedule a Bridges Run to feed the homeless. <u>https://www.bridgesoutreach.org/</u>
- Be a part of the liturgy and become an Altar Server
- Look at the Corporal and Spiritual Works of Mercy on the service form. Find ways to help those in your neighborhood, school and town who may need assistance. Take the time to get to know who you are serving.
- Parents, you may have a favorite charity that you support, this may be a great place for your child to inquire about service opportunities.
- If you have questions on what may count as service to the community or a project, please email Mike Fusco at <u>mfusco@sainthelen.org</u> or call/text at 908-265-2169.