

8th Grade Works of Mercy

A Minimum of 6 Service Hours



To the hungry, homeless, poor, sick, elderly or to the Church

Candidate Name _____

As a follower of Jesus, the question is not, “Should I do some service?” The question is, “**What service am I going to do?**” **WORKS OF MERCY** are inspired by Christ’s example and precept that we are to do to others as we would have them do to us.

THE WORKS OF MERCY

CORPORAL & SPIRITUAL

FEED THE HUNGRY 	 INSTRUCT THE IGNORANT
GIVE DRINK TO THE THIRSTY 	 COUNSEL THE DOUBTFUL
SHELTER THE HOMELESS 	 ADMONISH SINNERS
CLOTHE THE NAKED 	 FORGIVE OFFENSES
VISIT THE SICK 	 COMFORT THE AFFLICTED
VISIT THE IMPRISONED 	 BEAR WRONGS PATIENTLY
BURY THE DEAD 	 PRAY FOR THE LIVING AND THE DEAD

Requirements

- Each student must complete 6 ministry hours of service between **June 2017 and May 7, 2018**. 3 of the 6 hours must be completed at Our Lady of Peace.

(SEE EXAMPLES OF ACCEPTABLE SERVICE PROJECTS ON OTHER SIDE OF PAGE)
- Works of Mercy must be a service performed for the needs of *people*, a Corporal/Spiritual Work of Mercy to the hungry, homeless, poor, sick, elderly or to the Church.
- Candidates are expected to seek out their own Works of Mercy activities, but parents will be occasionally notified about opportunities via email.
- A signature is required from each completed activity.
- This **Service Form** is due on Monday, May 7, 2018. Form must be submitted to the OLP Rectory on or before that date.

This form is DUE MONDAY, May 7, 2018

Place of Service (Approved list or approved by office)	Date(s)	# of Hours	Description of Service	Supervisor Signature

EXAMPLES OF ACCEPTABLE SERVICE PROJECTS

Please Note:

- It is up to each Candidate to proactively look for and sign up for opportunities to perform Works of Mercy in the parish and/or larger community.
- When reaching out, ask about any age requirements.

BOLD Youth Ministry: Projects through Our Lady of Peace

Be attentive to emails from BOLD Youth Ministry or olp@boldym.com for these opportunities:

- BRIDGES Outreach sandwich making
- Souper Bowl of Caring

Service to Our Lady of Peace

Be attentive to emails from the Catechetical Office for these opportunities:

- Rel. Ed. Program Classroom Aide
- Changing Missalettes
- Frozen Turkey Drive
- Thanksgiving Eve Mass
- Rosary Society Soup Supper
- Rosary Society Plant Sales
- Peace and Forgiveness Retreat for Reconciliation Children
- Jesus Day Retreat for First Communion Children
- Lenten Soup Suppers/Stations of the Cross
- First Eucharist Practices and Masses
- Confirmation Mass and Reception
- Mass of the Anointing of the Sick (reception)
- Vacation Bible School
- Good Friday Cross Veneration
- Easter Egg Hunt (Easter Day)

Chatham Hills Subacute Care Center: Senior Care 415 Southern Blvd, Chatham Township, NJ 07928, (973) 822-1500

Community Food Bank: 31 Evans Terminal Road, Hillside, NJ 07205 Traci Hendricks 908-355-3663 x. 221 thendricks@cfbnj.org

Eva's Village, Paterson * Must be 15 yrs., do orientation, free weekdays from 10:30am -1:00pm

Jennifer Doherty (973) 523-6220 x 248 Jennifer.Doherty@evasvillage.org

Franciscan Charities: Mary Lee Trousdale, mldt@comcast.net, 355 S 6th St. Newark, NJ 07103

- **Soup Kitchen:** Volunteers assist in the preparation of food for guests, plus set-up and clean-up. Hours: 10:30am to 2:00pm on Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, and Saturday.
- **Literacy Program:** Work with children. Sat. 11:15am to 1:30pm
- **Food Pantry:** Organize and distribute bags of groceries to our guests. 9:00am to 1:30pm on the 3rd, 4th, and 5th Friday of each month.

Habitat for Humanity, Paterson: Kerri Schaefer (201) 956-9119, (201) 230-3972 Kerri@patersonhabitat.org

Hospital Volunteer: (various opportunities and locations)

Interfaith Food Pantry of the Oranges: 101 Main St. City of Orange

- **Sort, pack and hand out grocery bags of donated food to the needy.** (The Food Pantry needs at least 20 volunteers every Wed., except the first Wed. of the month, between 8:15am and 11:15am. Contact jschwamm@orangesfoodpantry.org
- **Serve on the Teen Board:** email courtneycooperman@comcast.net
- **Organize a Food Drive and donate**

Little Flower Homeless Ministry: Help provide meals for homeless (4 opportunities per year): Ms. Sharon Douglas 443-994-5432.

March for Life (January in Washington, DC) & Respect Life (various opportunities)

New Providence Senior Housing - Senior Citizen Center:

101 Academy St · (908) 464-6131

Oasis, Paterson: Jim Walsh (973) 881-8307 x 123 Jim.Walsh@oasisnj.org, Evelyn Innocenti 881-8307 x 124, Evelyn.Innocenti@oasisnj.org

St. John's Soup Kitchen, Newark: Mr. Jim Gallo 908-464-1861

St. Joseph Social Service Center: 118 Division St., Elizabeth, NJ 07201-2736 908.352.2989, info@sjeliz.org

Saint Martin Soup Kitchen, Jersey City:

Peter Ingrassi (201) 493-0870 Pingrasci@optonline.net

SHIP (Summit Helping Its People): Weekdays: 6:00 - 7:45 am at Calvary Episcopal Church (Prepare lunches). Weekends: 2:45-4:30pm Oakes Memorial (prepare / serve dinner). shipofsummit@gmail.com, info@ShipOfSummit.org

TryCan Special Needs: Camps, Peer Mentors. 100 Morris Avenue, Summit, NJ 07901, Phone: 908-277-2932, summitcan@gmail.com

Examples of what we are NOT looking for:

- CYO Basketball
- Household chores
- *A fundraiser for all 12 hours (may use for 4 hours)
- *Service to animal shelters
- *Trash pick-up

**We are looking for works of mercy to be performed directly for people*