

CONFIRMATION YR. 2 SERVICE GUIDELINES

According to Diocesan guidelines for Confirmation, the second year of preparation is devoted to reflection, prayer, service and discipleship.

St. Helen Parish requires a service project of each candidate and sponsor for this second year. This requirement flows from our understanding of "catechesis" as including "leading to service."

***Confirmation Sponsor & Candidate should be a team participating in this service together!**
Confirmation candidates will sign up for their choice of Service to the Church:

At our first meeting on 9/15, students will have an opportunity to meet several representatives from ministries of the church. Each leader will have a description of what the student will do in service to that ministry. **The student needs to make a commitment for the school year (& hopefully beyond) to volunteer on a regular basis.** After completing several months of service, the student will write a thoughtful reflection of their service experience. **Their reflection is due by Dec. 8.** *Some examples of service to be offered are: Youth Ministry days of service & Youth In Action days, Church Nursery, teen assistant at religion classes Sun. mornings, becoming a Lector at Mass, A Night in Bethlehem event in Dec., 3 shifts at Harvest Festival, Outreach Ministry to the poor, Respect life events, Vocations ministry assistant, if you play an instrument: Youth gr or Mass.*

Service Project Reflection Guide

After completing your Confirmation Service Project work, you must write about your experience and reflect on how this act of service impacted your life. This reflection should be at least 300 words. Please write neatly and in complete sentences.

The reflection should clearly address the following points:

- * I shared God's love with others by..... (type of service)
- * I chose to do this service because.....
- * Describe the project that you completed.
- * Who benefited from the service? How did you experience God in your service?
- * How did you, the Confirmation candidate feel about the service you performed?
- * How has this service helped you prepare for Confirmation?
- * How do you see service being a part of your life in the future?
- * What was the most memorable part of this Service?