CONFIRMATION II SERVICE HOURS EXPLANATION

"If someone who has worldly means sees a brother in need and refuses him compassion, how can the love of God remain in Him? 1 John 3:17

Total Hours Needed = 20

As recommended by the Archbishop, each Candidate seeking the Sacrament of Confirmation is required to complete at least 20 hours of service.

These 20 hours are divided into three different categories. Each category has a required number of hours that need to be completed with the total of all categories totaling at least 20 hours. No activity may be counted in more than one category. Example: you may NOT count assisting in a religious ed classroom as hours for both evangelization and service to church. The categories and explanations for each follow.

The Confirmation program is in no way responsible for providing opportunities for you to complete your service hours. This responsibility belongs to the student and either parents & sponsor. We will try to make announcements if we are aware of any up-coming service activities. You can also watch the church bulletin and Youth Group Newsletter for service activities.

❖ Eucharistic Adoration ◆ Total Needed = 3 hours ◆ must be done with an adult

The Eucharist is the "source and summit of Christian life." Eucharistic adoration is a type of prayer in which one meditates before the Blessed Sacrament, either privately or during a communal prayer such as benediction. In *Dominicae cenae* John Paul II give us these words concerning Eucharistic Adoration:

"The Church and the world have a great need for Eucharistic worship. Jesus awaits us in this sacrament of love. Let us not refuse the time to go to meet him in adoration, in contemplation full of faith, and open to making amends for the serious offenses and crimes of the world. Let our adoration never cease."

Many Catholics never experience this beautiful prayer. Through this requirement we wish to expose the students and their parents and sponsors to Eucharistic adoration. Because it is a very serious and powerful experience, the student must complete these hours of Eucharistic Adoration with an adult. The students will be exposed to Eucharistic Adoration at the Confirmation retreat this October. They may use this time at the retreat to fulfill a portion of these two hours.

Please watch the Youth Group Newsletter and bulletin for additional opportunities. Mother Teresa of Calcutta Catholic Church also provides a Perpetual Adoration Chapel, so, you may at any time take the opportunity to go to Eucharistic Adoration on your own.

You may not use the same activity you used in any other category to fulfill these hours.

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t Evangelization **t** Total Needed = 3 hours

Evangelization is the proclamation of the Gospel of Jesus through word and witness. To fulfill this requirement you may do any activity that accomplishes evangelization; such as the Rite to Life chain, or teaching (not just assisting) in an RE classroom. One activity that we would like to encourage is bringing people to Mass with you, especially fallen-away or non-practicing Catholics. This invitation and follow through can have a great impact on peoples' lives. **Bringing someone to Mass is the only time the person receiving the service may be a family member.** When you do bring someone with you to Mass, please take the time to introduce them to Father or at lease one of your Confirmation instructors or fellow parishioners. This really extends the welcoming love of the Church to people and makes them feel like they have a place in the Body of Christ.

You may not use the same activity you used in any other category to fulfill these hours. (the only exception would be volunteering in Religious Education)

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❖ Service to Community/Church ♦ Total Needed = 14 hours ♦ Must consist of at least four different types of activities

These hours must represent a Corporal or Spiritual Work of Mercy. You must be able to identify what Gift or Fruit of the Spirit that was exemplified in your Works of Mercy. Because you are a member of your family, it is already an obligation to serve your family. Therefore, service hours may NOT include service within your family, i.e. babysitting siblings, cooking/cleaning at your own house, mowing your grandparents' yard, visiting your relatives in the hospital or nursing home.

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