

# VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

"As each one has received a gift, use it to serve one another as good stewards of God's varied grace." - 1 Peter 4:10

All candidates must complete **three Volunteer Opportunities**, fill out the reflection journal for each opportunity, and turn them in to the Faith Formation Office by **January 5, 2020**. Stewardship is an integral part of the Confirmation journey. Confirmation candidates should be involved in experiences that enable them to use their gifts and talents in service of others. Candidates should serve at each of their volunteer opportunities for 5 or more hours.

"Stewards of God's gifts are not passive beneficiaries. We cooperate with God in our own redemption and in the redemption of others. We are also obliged to be stewards of the Church—collaborators and cooperators in continuing the redemptive work of Jesus Christ, which is the Church's essential mission. This mission—proclaiming and teaching, serving and sanctifying—is our task. It is the personal responsibility of each one of us as stewards of the Church." -USCCB

## SOME VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES IDEAS

- **Vacation Bible School:** June 8th and June 10th-14nd
- **Fall Festival:** October 10th-13th (required)
  - We are asking all candidates to volunteer at the Fall Festival as one way to experience serving the parish. It will also be a great moment for the candidates to work together.
- **Faith Formation Classroom Aid:** Sundays 9am-11am or 10:30am-12pm
- **Edge Middle School Youth Group:** Wednesdays 6pm-8pm
- **Living Nativity Practice/Play:** December 8th and 15<sup>th</sup>, 12:45pm-2pm and Christmas Eve 5pm Family Mass
- **Breakfast with Santa:** December 8<sup>th</sup>, 9am-1pm
- Any Corporal Work of Mercy\*

\* Corporal Works of Mercy are the way in which we extend God's compassion and mercy to the world by helping our neighbors with material and physical needs. They include: Feeding the Hungry, Giving Drink to the Thirsty, Clothing the Naked, Sheltering the Homeless, Visiting the Sick, Visiting the Imprisoned, Burying the Dead

We have several opportunities offered through Our Lady of Lourdes, but candidates can also participate in non-parish sponsored events so long as it is a Corporal Work of Mercy.

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