Confirmation Service Hours

Due Date: March 2, 2026

"Amen, I say to you, whatever you did for one of these least brothers of mine, you did for me."

Matthew 25:40

As a part of your preparation to receive the sacrament of Confirmation, you are required to complete <u>5 service hours</u> and fill out the provided *Serving in the Joy of the Spirit* service hours journal. Service hours are not just about getting them over with, they are about experiencing living and loving as Christ. Anything you are paid for, or responsibilities already expected of you at home (ie chores) do not qualify as service hours.

Service Hour Ideas

- Serve with Families in Action at Hands Against Hunger (November 1st at 9:30am). Contact Jacilyn Jackson (<u>ijackson@smoy.org</u>) for more information and to sign up.
- Assist at the Advent retreat for those preparing for First Communion (December 3rd at 6pm).
 Contact Jacilyn Jackson (jjackson@smoy.org) for more information and to sign up.
- Serve with Families in Action at SMOY'S Donut Sunday (January 18th at 8am). Contact Jacilyn Jackson (jjackson@smoy.org) for more information and to sign up.
- Serve with Families in Action at Matthew 25 Ministries (February 7th at 9am). Contact Jacilyn Jackson (jjackson@smoy.org) for more information and to sign up.
- Assist at the 1st Reconciliation retreat for those preparing for First Reconciliation (February 25th at 6pm). Contact Jacilyn Jackson (<u>jjackson@smoy.org</u>) for more information and to sign up.
- Check the bulletin or weekly parish newsletter for parish service opportunities
- Take part in Mass by bringing up the gifts, altar serving, or being a part of the choir
- Hand out donuts at a Donut Sunday (Contact Birgitt Hacker (bhacker@smoy.org) to sign up)
- Offer services such as babysitting, gardening, mowing, shoveling, or cleaning to a neighbor
- Get a group of friends together to make sandwiches for the Our Daily Bread soup kitchen in Over the Rhine
- Volunteer at a nursing home
- Tutor a younger student after school
- Pick up trash at a local park
- Volunteer at an animal shelter
- Volunteer with local organizations such as Mary Magdalene House, Matthew 25 Ministries or Tabitha's Closet
- Organize a food or baby item drive to fill our parish Food Pantry or Pregnancy Center boxes