SERVICE HOURS

Gairifuke Catholic Church

We are the salt of the earth. We are a city on a hill. We're never gonna change the world By standing still – Matthew West "Do Something"

Twenty-One (21) Required Service Hours

WHAT ARE SERVICE HOURS?

They are hours spent sharing your love of Jesus Christ with others who may or may not be as fortunate as you are. It is your opportunity to show that you believe in Jesus and what He taught us by your actions and deeds.

WHY DO WE HAVE TO?

Because Jesus told us to in **Matthew 25:40** -And the king will say to them in reply, "Amen, I say to you, whatever you did for one of these least brothers of mine, you did for me." The service project is an answer to the Gospel challenge to love our neighbor as Jesus loves us. Jesus gave us many examples of loving service.

WHY DO WE DO THEM?

Because, like Jesus, we must love our neighbor and trust that God will always be there for us. To have the promise of salvation fulfilled in us, we much choose to live our faith in both word and action. **James 2:14-17** - What good is it, my brothers, if someone says he has faith but does not have works. Can the faith save him? If a brother or sister has nothing to wear and has no food for the day, and one of you says to them, "Go in peace, keep warm, and eat well," but you do not give them the necessities of the body, what good is it? So also faith of itself, if it does not have works, is dead.

WHY DO WE DO IT FOR CONFIRMATION?

Because it is not enough that you know about your faith. How do you put your faith into practice? How often do you go out of your way to help others? Read the Beatitudes in **Matthew 5:3-12**.

HOW DO I START?

Think about what some of your God-given talents are and then list ways that those talents can help in the church, community, and family. Read 1 **Corinthians 12:1-11**. Ask God for guidance. He won't let you down. Open your heart and your mind to His help. Remember you service hours need to be special and not something already being done as a part of your daily routine.

WHAT DO I DO?

Before making your decision and commitment: Pray to the Holy Spirit for guidance. Talk to your parents and sponsor to discuss ideas. Find out the needs of people in your family, neighborhood, parish, school or community. Make phone calls and ask what you can do to help. Schedule yourself to help. Prepare yourself for the service project by praying and asking for God's help. (Some of your projects might be uncomfortable for you. Ask God to give you patience and compassion. Read and reflect on some of the scripture listed in this information.)

There is a tracking form for Confirmation service hours. Keep this tracking form at home and record your service hours regularly. The service hours tracking form is to be turned in by the fall before your confirmation. This form will be reviewed for completeness and accuracy.

Seven (7) hours are required in each category. It is the responsibility of the Confirmation candidate to get his/her <u>Service Hours Form</u> signed by the supervisor of each service project. Forms that are signed by just parents or are left blank will not be accepted. <u>We do</u> contact project coordinators and supervisors to verify service work, so please make sure information is accurate in recording your hours. Completed Confirmation Service Hours Forms are due at the beginning of the Confirmation Celebration Class year, but forms can be turned in as hours are completed.

<u>Church</u>: These hours must be done to benefit St. Luke Church. Some examples of Church service hours would be Room at the Inn, helping with the blood drive, working at the Fall Festival, spring cleaning day, etc. There are many, many opportunities for Church service hours. Opportunities will be listed on the Faith Formation website and in the parish bulletin. Seven (7) Church service hours are required.

Community: Many of you may already assist in your local community. Some examples of community service hours would be tutoring younger students at a local school, starting a clothing or food drive in your neighborhood, etc. Seven (7) community service hours are required.

<u>Family</u>: These are hours done to benefit the members of your family. An example would be babysitting a younger sibling. Family service hours are only valid if the candidate is NOT paid to do the work. Seven (7) family service hours are required.

Example of Complete Service Hours Log Entry

Date of Service: 16/15/16 Number of Hours: Three (3)			
Description of Service Performed: Helped with the St. Luke Blanket Banquet -			
Greeted guests, helped setup, and helped cleanup after.			
Why Did You Choose This Project? I chose this project because I wanted			
to help out in a ministry that services the poor and			
underprivileged.			
Project Reflection - What did this project mean to you? There were so many blankets			
that were donated and it made me feel good to know			
that I helped keep families warm this winter.			
Supervisor Name: Jone Smith Parent Name: Anne Summers			
Supervisor Signature: Jame Smith Parent Signature: Anne Summers			
Supervisor Phone #:			

CHURCH SERVICE HOURS – 7 HOURS

Your Name:	<i>C</i>
Project #1 Date of Service:	Number of Hours:
Description of Service Performed:	
Bible Verse related to Project:	
Why Did You Choose This Project?	
Project Reflection – What did this project mean to you?	
Supervisor Name:	Parent Name:
Supervisor Signature:	Parent Signature:
Supervisor Phone #:	Parent Phone #:
Project #2 Date of Service:	Number of Hours:
Description of Service Performed:	
Bible Verse related to Project:	
Why Did You Choose This Project?	
Project Reflection – What did this project mean to you?	
Supervisor Name:	Parent Name:
Supervisor Signature:	Parent Signature:
Supervisor Phone #:	Parent Phone #:

CHURCH SERVICE HOURS — 7 HOURS

Your Name:		Ou
Project #3 Date of Service:	Number of Hours:	
Description of Service Performed:		
Why Did You Choose This Project?		
Project Reflection – What did this project mean to yo		
Supervisor Name:		
Supervisor Signature:	Parent Signature:	
Supervisor Phone #:	Parent Phone #:	
Date of Service:	Number of Hours:	
Description of Service Performed:		
Why Did You Choose This Project?		
Project Reflection – What did this project mean to yo	ou?	
Supervisor Name:	Parent Name:	
Supervisor Signature:	Parent Signature:	
Supervisor Phone #:	Parent Phone #:	

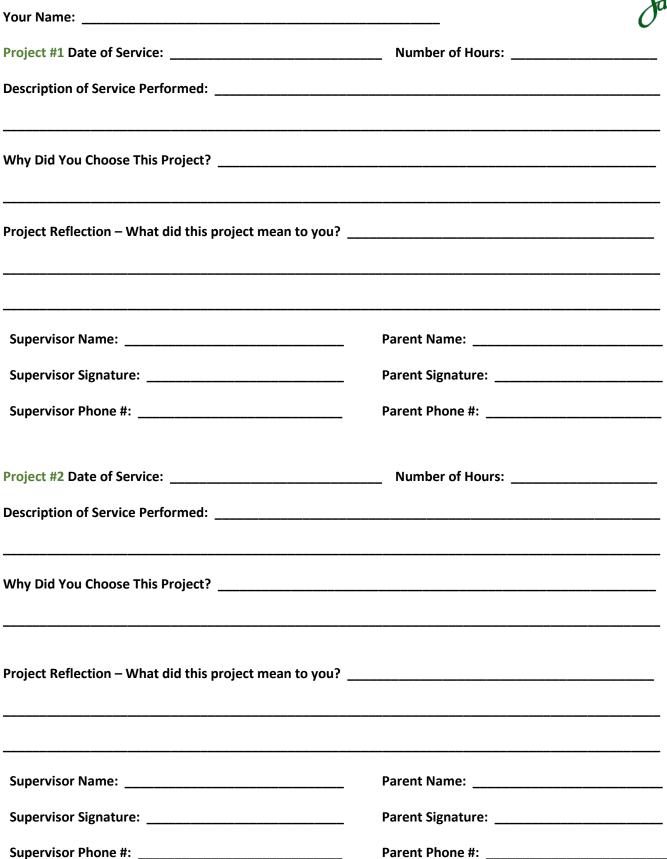
COMMUNITY SERVICE HOURS - 7 HOURS

Your Name:		
Project #1 Date of Service:	Number of Hours:	
Description of Service Performed:		
Why Did You Choose This Project?		
Project Reflection – What did this project mean to you? _		
Supervisor Name:	Parent Name:	
Supervisor Signature:	Parent Signature:	
Supervisor Phone #:	Parent Phone #:	
Project #2 Date of Service:		
Description of Service Performed:		
Why Did You Choose This Project?		
Project Reflection – What did this project mean to you? _		
Supervisor Name:	Parent Name:	
Supervisor Signature:	Parent Signature:	
Supervisor Phone #:	Parent Phone #:	

COMMUNITY SERVICE HOURS — 7 HOURS

Your Name:		d
Project #3 Date of Service:	Number of Hours:	
Description of Service Performed:		
Why Did You Choose This Project?		
Project Reflection – What did this project mean to you? _		
Supervisor Name:	Parent Name:	
Supervisor Signature:	Parent Signature:	
Supervisor Phone #:	Parent Phone #:	
Project #4 Date of Service: Description of Service Performed:		
Why Did You Choose This Project?		
Project Reflection – What did this project mean to you? _		
Supervisor Name:	Parent Name:	
Supervisor Signature:	Parent Signature:	
Supervisor Phone #:	Parent Phone #:	

Family Service Hours – 7 Hours



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