

THE CATHOLIC SCHOOL OF
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Dear Middle School Parents,

I am happy to announce that we will begin instituting a Christian Service hour component to our Middle School. Teaching our students the call to serve others and the spiritual benefits it provides is an important lesson. We hope introducing students to the call to serve others will also prepare them for the requirements of Christian Service they will experience at Bishop McGuinness and Mount St. Mary High School.

Middle School Christian Service Hours Program

Christian Service hours provide concrete opportunities for all students to build community by serving others as Jesus did. Middle School students are required to earn two hours during the Fall Semester and three hours during the Spring Semester. Students must complete their hours and fill out the form below in order to receive credit. Because service is a direct expression of religious conviction, accountability for service projects is maintained through Religion class. All students will receive a grade for this service during their 2nd quarter Religion class and their 4th quarter Religion class. While grades are taken during the 2nd and 4th quarter, service can be completed in the 1st and 4th quarter as well. However, students may not complete their 4th quarter service during the first semester. Since students belong to several communities, the Christian Service Program is directed toward the needs of the school, parish, and local communities, thereby providing students a variety of opportunities through which they may be of service to others. If a student has a question regarding what activities are acceptable for service, they must contact their Religion teacher or Mr. Luetkemeyer. Serving on the weekend are great ways to help the Parish, however, they will not be eligible for Service Hours.

On the next page is an example of the Middle School Christian Service Form. The form can be found on the school website at www.steugeneschool.org under the [Student Life](#) tab.

2016-2017 Middle School Christian Service Hours Form

Name of Student *

Name of Organization you served *

Name of Supervisor *

Description of Service Provided *

Please check the category for the service provided *

- School
- Community
- Faith
- Other:

Date of Service *

Number of Hours Completed *

In five or more sentences, describe your experience at the service site. Tell what, when, where, and how you assisted. *

In five or more sentences, tell what practical skills and/ or spiritual knowledge of yours helped you to perform this service. *

In five or more sentences, describe the ways in which you think the community (school, neighborhood, town, parish, and in some rare cases, family) benefited from your service. *

In five or more sentences, describe how this service has influenced your spiritual life. How has this experience helped you to grow spiritually (affected your relationship with God)? How has this experience helped you to see those in need as Christ sees them? *

