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**St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Roman Catholic Church, Las Vegas, Nevada  
YOUTH MINISTRY - CONFIRMATION PROGRAM**

**Service to Others and Reflection of Service Report Guidelines**

To serve others is a true gift for both the recipient and the giver. Our Catholic faith calls us to be in relationship with those who are in any way poor or marginalized. Solidarity and companionship are staple elements of our service. In turn, our hearts and lives are transformed by this unique encounter with Christ through the relationships built at our service sites.

The connection between Confirmation and service is that each confirmed Christian has a calling and a responsibility to serve as a living example of Jesus' teachings---to serve one another. God calls us to serve and we say, "Here I am, Lord!"

This is also an opportunity for the youth to explore ways in which they can be of service to our parish and the community at large.

**Requirements:**

- Minimum of 20 hours of service to the parish or community.
- Youth must document their hours on the Service to Others Hours Form which is due Sunday, April 17, 2016.
- Reflection on Service to Others is due on Sunday, April 17, 2016.

**Guidelines:**

- The service hours and reflection report should always be in fulfillment of the Corporal and Spiritual Works of Mercy.
- Service hours should reflect work done beyond one's usual duties.
- The service should not have financial rewards or be part of normal family duties.
- Service should be carried out with a willing heart and a generous spirit.
- It is the Confirmandi's responsibility to fulfill the requirements of this project.

**Examples of Opportunities to Serve:**

- SEAS Junior High Ministry
- SEAS Youth Ministry projects
- Altar server, choir, lector or usher at Mass
- Catholic Charities
- Opportunity Village
- Ministry to Nursing Homes and shut-ins
- Shelter Meals
- School Volunteer Activities such as a food or clothing drive
- Faith Formation - assist children to learn their prayers
- Heart Walk - one walk per year may be counted for a maximum of 2 hours.

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**Service to Others Reflection Report**

The Service to Others Reflection Report should be a typed one-page report that answers, but is not limited to, the following questions pertaining to the service hours:

1. The reflection should indicate how these service hours fulfilled the Corporal and Spiritual Works of Mercy. While explaining each project please tell us how the Corporal and Spiritual Works of Mercy were integrated into your project.
2. What was your service project(s)?
3. Describe your experience(s) in detail.
4. Was it a new experience? If it was a returning experience, why did you return?
5. Was it difficult/easy? What made it difficult/easy?
6. Do you think you made a difference? How do you think you made a difference? How can you continue to make a difference from what you learned at this service site?
7. What did you learn about yourself in doing these projects? How did this project shape you?
8. Did service enhance your experience of Confirmation? Why or why not?

**Corporal Works of Mercy**

Feed the hungry.

Give drink to the thirsty.

Clothe the naked.

Shelter the homeless.

Visit the sick.

Visit the imprisoned.

Bury the dead.

**Spiritual Works of Mercy**

Counsel the doubtful.

Instruct the ignorant.

Admonish the sinner.

Comfort the sorrowful.

Forgive injuries.

Bear wrongs patiently.

Pray for the living and the dead.

Attach the Service to Others Hours worksheet to this report and submit to your Catechist by Sunday, April 17, 2016.



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APPROVED CHRISTIAN SERVICE AGENCIES

as of 10-21-13

Below is a list of Christian agencies who you may contact if you if you would like to volunteer with them.

LAS VEGAS CATHOLIC PARISHES:

**Christ the King  
St. Francis Assisi  
Guardian Angel Cathedral  
St. Francis de Sales  
Holy Family  
St. James the Apostle  
Holy Spirit  
St. Joan of Arc  
Our Lady of Las Vegas  
St. John Neumann  
Prince of Peace**

**St. Joseph Husband of Mary  
St. Anne's  
St. Peter the Apostle  
St. Anthony of Padua  
St. Thomas Aquinas  
St. Bridget  
St. Thomas More  
St. Christopher  
St. Viator  
St. Elizabeth Ann Seton  
Shrine of the Most Holy Redeemer**

Other Approved Christian Service Agencies:

CHILDREN:

**Adam's Place  
Infant Bereavement Gowns  
Baby's Bounty  
Kids Co-Op  
Big Brothers & Big Sisters of NV  
Operation School Bell  
Boys Town of NV  
Positively Kids  
Caring for Kids  
Safe Nest  
Child Haven**

**St. Jude's Ranch in Boulder City  
Club Christ Ministries #1 Ferrekk St. LV  
Salvation Army Youth Club  
Club Christ Ministries #2 Center St. HDSN  
Spread the Word Nevada  
Desert Reign  
Three Square  
Girls & Boys Town of NV  
Variety Early Learning Center  
I Have A Dream Foundation**

TEENS:

**First Choice Pregnancy  
Students Helping Out Teens  
Nevada Partnership for Homeless Youth  
Teens Helping Teens**

**Project 150  
TRENDZ Youth Center  
Street Teens**

ADULTS:

**English Language Program of Catholic Charities  
Shade Tree Shelter**

**Migration and Refugee Services of Catholic Charities**

ELDERLY:

**Absolute Circle of Care Home  
Desert Springs Assisted Senior Home  
Atria Seville Senior Living**

**Grand Court Assisted Living  
Atria Sunlake Senior Living  
Helping Hands of Vegas Valley**

MILITARY:

**Blue Star Mothers  
U.S. Veterans—Feeding our veterans  
Honor Flights**

**Veterans Cemetary upkeep  
Operation Homefront**

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**HOMELESS:**

**Broken Chains Ministry  
Las Vegas Rescue Mission  
Calvary Chapel  
Matthew's Closet Free Clothing Bank  
Catholic Charities Food Pantry  
Nevada Homeless Alliance  
Catholic Charities Thrift Store #1  
New Genesis Program for Men**

**Catholic Charities Thrift Store #2  
St. Vincent's Lied Dining room  
Catholic Worker  
Salvation Army  
Central Christian Church Cares  
Salvation Army Warehouse  
Fr. John McShane -Feeding the Homeless**

**ILLNESS:**

**Candlelighters of Nevada  
Nathan Adelson on Swenson  
Comfort Hospice  
St. Therese Center for HIV/AIDS**

**Muscular Dystrophy Association  
Solari Hospice  
Nathan Adelson on Tenaya**

**DISABILITIES:**

**Best Buddies  
New Vista Community  
The Blind Center of Nevada  
Opportunity Village #1 on Oakey**

**Joy Prom  
Opportunity Village #2 on Buffalo  
Miracle League**

**MISSION WORK:**

**Catholic Heart Workcamp  
Other Mission Work**

**ALL:**

**Adam's Place for Grieving  
Help of Southern Nevada  
American Red Cross of Nevada  
L.V. Natural History Museum  
Gaels Give HOPE  
Matthew 25 Board**

**Goodwill Industries  
UMC Family Resource Center  
Gourmet Gaels  
United Way  
Habitat for Humanity**

**ANIMALS:**

**Heaven Can Wait  
Noah's Animal House  
Horses 4 Heroes**

**Spirit Therapies  
Lied Animal Foundation Shelter**

**ENVIRONMENT:**

**Clean the World  
Gorman Goes Green**

**Ecology Dives and Desert Clean Ups  
Students United in Recycling Schl. Supplies**