

Confirmation I Service Project Reflection

Once you have completed your Service Project (8 hours of service), you will be required to complete a Reflection Paper for the project(s) you completed. Please complete **one** Reflection Paper encompassing all 8 hours of Service you completed. All reflection papers should be attached to the Service Verification Forms and are to be turned into the Office of Religious Education and Youth Ministry by **April 3, 2012**.

Before choosing a service project, think about the following questions:

- What gifts do you especially possess now and how can you use those gifts to assist the Church in its mission to serve others?
- Does the project offer a service to a person, the parish, or the community, and is it being done out of love/charity, without pay, without counting the costs?
- Is it charitable service primarily to the poor, the disadvantaged, elderly, or handicapped?
- How is the Body of Christ being strengthened through the service you chose?
- Is this an area in which you can grow in service?

Preparing to write your Confirmation Service Project Reflection:

- While you are performing the service, record your experiences of serving others in a journal.
- When the period of service has been completed, use your journal to write about the effect this service has had on your life.
- Your Service Project Reflection should be about **one page** in length.
- Be sure to answer all of the questions required.

Writing your reflection paper:

The Confirmation I Service Project Reflection Paper should clearly address the following points:

- ✓ I shared God's love with others by... (type of service, name of Agency, etc.)
- ✓ I chose to do this service because...
- ✓ Describe the project that you completed.
- ✓ Who benefited from the service?
- ✓ How did you feel about the service you performed?
- ✓ How did the service help you to build up the Church (i.e. the people of God)?
- ✓ How has this service project helped you prepare for Confirmation?
- ✓ How do you see service being a part of your life in the future?
- ✓ What did this experience teach you about yourself?

Remember to attach your reflection paper to your service verification forms. Papers should be typed or clearly printed and about one page in length. Please remember to include your name on your reflection paper.

"In this life we cannot do great things, we can only do small things with great love"
~Bl. Mother Teresa of Calcutta~