

Eighth Grade Service Hours Information and Record

Eighth grade students at Saint Rose continue their journey as disciples of Jesus and their preparation for Confirmation. Part of the journey of becoming a Confirmed Catholic is learning to use his/her God given gifts and talents to perform charitable works. Service hours are designed to give our students an opportunity to explore the various needs of the parish, school and community, and find out which ministries they feel drawn to serve. It is the responsibility of the student, with his or her parents' support, encouragement, and transportation, to identify and perform works of service.

Students are required to complete a minimum of 10 service hours each year. Please do not count service hours that you are doing for other clubs or organizations. Helping around your house—being a responsible member of your family—is not considered service – it is the normal way for you to show respect and gratitude toward your parents. Continue to give to your family more deeply, but also go out to serve!

For an activity to be counted as service, you may not accept any payment.

Hours are served in three areas each year: Liturgical (2), Saint Rose (2), and Community (2) + Student Choice (4). Both years result in a total of 20 hours served during 7th and 8th grade.

Liturgical Hours: Time spent serving at Mass in a Liturgical ministry (altar serving, greeting, basket collection, singing in the choir, etc.), or hours spent in Adoration. (See separate sheet for further details.)

Saint Rose Hours: volunteering to help out with events/activities at Saint Rose of Lima Church or School (or at Saint Luke if that is your parish).

Community Hours: volunteering your time in the local community. Possibilities include raking leaves for a neighbor, babysitting, working at a food bank, visiting a nursing home, volunteering at youth programs, etc... These hours do not include what you do for your immediate family.

Document your hours at the time of service. Take your paperwork with you and ask an adult who is responsible for coordinating the activity to sign your form. Once all service hours for the year are completed, a parent/guardian must sign the completed form before it is turned in.

Hours Checklist

Liturgical - 2 hours		Saint Rose - 2hrs		Community - 2 hrs		Your Choice - 4 hrs			

Liturgical Service Hours

Due Aug 14

Students at St. Rose School who are preparing for Confirmation are required to complete two “liturgical” service hours. Liturgy is the public prayer of the Church.

Why? We want students to know that they are capable and welcome to serve our parish community through assisting in Mass and/or through spending time in Adoration.

Altar Server	Assists the Priest at Mass To serve at Mass, first attend training for servers. Let the parish coordinator know when you are available to serve. The training also counts for hours.	1 hour
Usher	Assists the ushers by welcoming & seating people, taking up the collection, etc. To usher at mass, talk to the ushers at the mass you typically attend (i.e. 11:00 at St. Rose). Ask if you can shadow them for a Mass and help out where they need it.	1 hour
Gift Bearer	Bring the gifts of bread and wine to the altar. This is a sign of the gift of the whole community. To bring up the gifts as a family, come a few minutes early to Mass and then ask one of the Ushers who is coordinating the gift bearers for that Mass.	1 hour (includes practice)
Adoration	Spend time in Adoration outside of school time. Adoration begins after the 7 AM Mass on Thursday and continues until 7 AM Mass on Friday. Sign up for a time at the back or simply come. Parents may sign the service log for these hours.	30 min or 1 hour
Reader	<i>This ministry, of proclaiming the first or second reading at Sunday masses is open to students after they are confirmed. During the school year, students may read at school masses and earn additional service hours.</i>	1 hour (includes practice)

Students who are not Catholic are not required to complete liturgical service hours. However, they are invited to come to Saint Rose for Adoration and/or to get involved in their own churches.

Student Name _____

8th Grade Service Hour Record

Liturgical Hours due August 14

Total hours due January 8

DATE	ACTIVITY, PLACE OF SERVICE	# OF HOURS	TYPE (Liturgical, Saint Rose or Community)	RELEVANT WORK OF MERCY	Supervisor SIGNATURE
			Liturgical due Aug 14		
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TOTAL SERVICE HOURS: _____ **STUDENT SIGNATURE** _____

PARENT SIGNATURE: _____ **DATE:** _____

Challenge: Can you relate your experience to one of the works of mercy?

CORPORAL WORKS OF MERCY

- Feed the hungry
- Give drink to the thirsty
- Clothe the naked
- Visit the sick
- Shelter the homeless
- Visit the imprisoned
- Bury the dead

SPIRITUAL WORKS OF MERCY

- Warn the sinner
- Instruct the ignorant
- Counsel the doubtful
- Comfort the sorrowing
- Bear wrongs patiently
- Forgive all injuries
- Pray for the living and the dead