

ST. JAMES PARISH CONFIRMATION PROGRAM
LETTER TO ATTEST TO COMPLETION OF SERVICE

"Faith in action is love, and love in action is service."

Blessed St. Teresa of Calcutta

DATE(S):

ORGANIZATION/LOCATION/EVENT:

VOLUNTEER'S RESPONSIBILITIES:

This is to certify that

has completed _____hours of service.

Signature/phone# of supervising adult

SERVICE OPPORTUNITIES/SUGGESTIONS

The attached list contains suggestions for service you may choose to pursue. Some of these opportunities are limited and will be first come, first served. Please note the following guidelines when deciding upon your service project:

*** Each project must consist of a day of service, ie. at least 6 hours. This may take the form of a single day, or multiple days for the same location/project.**

*** Should you wish to pursue a project not included on this list, please email [Fillie Duchaine](mailto:FillieDuchaine@stjames-redbank.com) at religioused@stjames-redbank.com for prior approval to avoid possible rejection.**

*** Please remember to fill out the attached "Service Log" completely and have an adult in charge (not a parent) sign at the completion of the service. Always keep a copy for your records!**

*** Prepare a one-page essay reflecting upon your experience, and attach it to the signed service log.**

*** If you have any questions, please contact [Fillie Duchaine](mailto:FillieDuchaine@stjames-redbank.com), Coordinator of Religious Education at 732-446-7050, or your child's catechist.**

- **DUE DATES for completed logs/essays:**

CCD Students: October 27, 2019

St. James Students: October 28, 2019

1. Lunch Break

Website: www.lunchbreak.org

Address: 121 Drs. James Parker Blvd.
Red Bank, NJ

Phone: 732-747-8577

Email: info@lunchbreak.org

Contact: Peg Rizzo at 732-747-8577(ext. 3108) or prizzo@lunchbreak.org

Lunch Break freely provides food, clothing, life skills and fellowship for those in need in Monmouth County and beyond.

As a volunteer, we ask you to come prepared to serve in whatever capacity is needed for the day. You may be asked to prepare or serve food, wash dishes, clean tables and floors, shelve food in the pantry, organize clothing, answer incoming phone calls or even work outside.

2. Best Day Foundation

Website: bestdayfoundation.org

Contact: Tricia Henkes at 908-358-2175 or tricia@bestdayfoundation.org

Best Day Foundation enables children and young adults with special needs to build confidence and self-esteem through adventure activities which stretch their limits, expand their true potential, reinforce their achievement and connect them with diverse populations in their community.

As a volunteer you will participate in activities including beach activities, kayaking, body boarding and snow sports.

3. Oasis tlc

Website: www.oasistlc.org

Address: 1 Morgan Rd.
Middletown, NJ

Phone: 908-601-6158

Email: oasistlcnj@gmail.com

Contact: Liz Smith at 908-601-6158

Oasis tlc promotes inclusion and acceptance of autistic individuals into their local communities by establishing environmentally exemplary farm centers that provide meaningful work, peaceful and healthy residences and community interaction.

Oasis needs volunteers for our community service volunteer days. Volunteers would help clean the yard, trails and gardens. Oasis volunteers also help **Soul Kitchen** setting tables and participating in the dinner.

4. Red Bank Crop Hunger Walk

Website: www.crophungerwalk.org/redbanknj

Contact: Janie Schildge at redbankcropwalk@gmail.com

Red Bank Crop walk will be held on Sunday, October 20, 2019.

Red Bank Crop Walkers raise funds to help hungry neighbors.

Volunteers will assist in the set-up and take-down at Kick Off Rally, set-up and take-down on the day of the walk (usually the second or third Sunday in October), assist in family activities during registration, water stop volunteers to hand out water during the walk, hand out apples and ice cream at the end of the walk and as crossing guards to help keep the walkers safe.

5. Someone Special Needs You

Website: ssny.org

Address: 72 Route 537

Colts Neck, NJ

Phone: 732-431-4033

Contact: vince@ssny.org

We provide a variety of much needed activities for special and handicapped children including various events such as crafts, exercise, singing, dancing, snacking and socializing.

6. iCan Shine Bike Camp

Website: icanshine.org/Lincroft-nj

Lincroft, NJ

Contact: Babette at 732-861-3786

iCan provides learning opportunities in recreational activities for individuals with disabilities. Volunteers will get to make a difference by helping them learn how to ride a bike. Other activities include running, jumping on trampolines, talking, and baking cookies.

7. Fulfill of Monmouth County (formerly of Foodbank of Monmouth County)

Website: fulfillnj.org

Address: 3300 Route 66

Neptune, NJ

Phone: 732-918-2600

Email: main@fulfill.org

We fulfill the needs of our neighbors and win the battle against hunger. Volunteers organize food drives, pack and sort donations, help with office work and mailings and help out at mobile pantries.

8. RallyCap Sports

Website: www.rcscnj.org

Address: Tindall Road

Middletown, NJ

Phone: 419-708-4214

Email: cnj@rallycapsports.org

RallyCap Sports is an all-volunteer organization offering programs for children with disabilities in seven athletic disciplines: baseball, soccer, basketball, flag football, tennis, golf and dance exercise.

9. Jason's Dreams For Kids

Website: jasonsdreamsforkids.org

Address: 20 Monmouth St.

Red Bank, NJ

Email: jasonsdreams@comcast.net

Jason's Dreams for Kids is devoted to granting to children diagnosed with life threatening illnesses through a variety of fundraising events to meet the costs of fulfilling these children's wishes.

10. Project Linus

Website: www.projectlinus.org

Phone: 609-575-2001

Monmouth County Contact: Cynthia R.

We provide love, a sense of security, warmth and comfort to children who are seriously ill, traumatized or otherwise in need through the gifts of new, handmade blankets and afghans.

11. Sunrise Senior Living of Lincroft

Website: www.sunriseseniorliving.com

Address: 734 Newman Springs Rd.

Lincroft, NJ

Email: Lincroft.rc@sunriseseniorliving.com

Contact: Darlene at 732-212-1910

Volunteer to assist seniors in activities such as light exercise, yoga classes, food and conversation events, games and current events discussions. Our programs are designed to bring residents and volunteers together to turn each day into an opportunity for everyone to **Live With Purpose**.

12. Bridge of Books Foundation

Website: bridgeofbooksfoundation.org

Address: 23 Main St.

Holmdel, NJ

Phone: 732-291-4755

Email: info@bridgeofbooksfoundation.org

Our mission is to provide an ongoing source of books to underserved children in order to support the development of literacy skills and encourage a love of reading. We collect books through book drives, individual donations and various other collection methods. "Book sorters" are our biggest hands on volunteer needs.

13. St. James Social Concerns Group

Our own St. James parish holds a week-long food drive each season, collecting non-perishable food and other items for those in need before and after masses. For more information about volunteering for one of the food drive weekends, contact Jim Schmitt at 732-861-3220 or Kathy Panepinto at 732-224-1267.

14. The Barn For the Poorest of the Poor

Website: barnforthe poor.org

Address: 49 Kanes Lane

Middletown, NJ

Phone: 732-671-4163

Email: Barnforthe poor@gmail.com

The purpose of The Barn for the Poor is to collect and deliver a surplus of food from supermarkets/bakeries, etc. and deliver the food to local areas in need such as Lunch Break, Broken Loaves, St. Mark's Soup Kitchen in Keansburg and Project Paul.

15. Camp Oakhurst

Website: www.very special camps.com

Address: 111 Monmouth Rd.

Oakhurst, NJ

Phone: 732-531-0215

Camp Oakhurst is a summer sleep away camp and day respite services to children and adults with special needs including autism and physical and developmental disabilities.

Volunteers gain valuable work experience by helping to plan, organize and help facilitate recreational activities for children and adults with disabilities. Volunteers are needed to start or maintain a camp project such as improving and beautifying

our campus through painting, cleaning or landscaping projects or assisting on a seasonal project such as holiday parties.

16. Pajama Program

Website: www.pajamaprogram.org

Address: NJ Pajama Program

P.O. Box 36

Middletown, NJ 07748

Phone: 212-716-9757

With love and compassion, Pajama Program delivers the magical gifts of pajamas and books, offering children not only an escape from their immediate reality but, more importantly, a good night's sleep and a better tomorrow. And, although we start with pajamas and books, these are just tangible tools that help us deliver love, support and a bedtime ritual that delivers benefits far beyond clothing and reading.

17. Family Promise

Website: familypromise.org

Phone: 732-736-1550

Our mission is to help homeless and low-income families achieve sustainable independence through a community-based response.

Working together, we provide temporary housing, meals, and services to more than 90,000 family members annually. We mentor at-risk families. We teach financial literacy, find jobs and affordable housing, and create programs to meet specific needs in their communities.