

2017 – 2018 Christian Service Hours Record

Name: _____ Quarter: _____ Due Date: _____

Pre-approval requirements

Christian Service Hours are required by all junior high students as part of the Religion curriculum in order to understand the responsibility to serve their community and those in need as Jesus Christ showed in his example to us. An emphasis on *community service* will be stressed. Household chores, such as washing dishes, are a family obligation and will not count as Service Hours because they do not benefit the community. In order to ensure that students are proactive and will receive proper credit, it is **highly recommended** that each student get pre-approval before starting a service project. Example of service hours that will be pre-approved, include but are not limited to: altar serving, summer clean up, Vacation Bible School, service at St. Vincent de Paul Village to serve lunch/dinner to Village clients, visiting residents at Arbor’s Center for Alzheimer, and serving at the San Diego Food Bank. We hope each student goes beyond the call for service and the required **minimum of 6 hours** of volunteer service each quarter (24 hours total per school year.) Service activities must be freely participated in without compensation (monetary or any other type).

Service opportunities are an overt expression of the themes of Catholic Social Teaching:

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| A. <i>Life and Dignity of the Human Person</i> | D. <i>Option for the Poor and Vulnerable</i> |
| B. <i>Call to Family, Community, and Participation</i> | E. <i>The Dignity of Work and the Rights of Workers</i> |
| C. <i>Rights and Responsibilities</i> | F. <i>Solidarity</i> |
| | G. <i>Care for God’s Creation</i> |

Reflection and Christian Service Hours Record

Upon turning in the Christian Service Record, students will be required to write a short reflection per each service activity listed describing their experience and the impact they made to the community regarding the Catholic Social Teaching. The service hours and reflection(s) will count towards the individual student’s religion grade. This form must be filled out completely, including all signatures, and returned with the reflection essay(s) attached by the assigned date. Failure to complete this form, get pre-approval for project, or turn in this form with reflection by the expected due date will result in the Religion assignment grade being lowered.

Date	Service Activity	Pre-Approval Teacher Initials	Catholic Social Teaching	Hours	Signature (of person you helped)

Student Signature

Parent Signature