



Do you need service hours for school, clubs, or Confirmation preparation? Join us!

Youth Service Opportunities

September 2021-December 2021

Contact youthapostolate@stveronica.net or (703)-773-2005

+ 2021 Drop-in Service Hours: Sundays, 12pm-2pm, 8th-12th Grade

October 10th, November 14th, November 21st, December 5th, December 19th

Drop-in Service Hours Details: Youth in grades 8-12 can earn service hours for school, clubs, or Confirmation preparation by participating in these monthly events on Sundays from 12pm-2pm in the Parish Hall/ Kitchen. Parents, please contact us via email by 9pm on the Friday before to RSVP. We need a current Photo/Medical Form and Covid Agreement on file. These forms can be downloaded from the parish website and submitted to the Parish office. Dates for drop- in Service Hours through December are above. We will continue to offer this through April and an updated calendar will be available in November. Drop in service opportunities are at least one Sunday a month, sometimes two Sundays a month. Activities include supporting local homeless shelters, pregnancy centers, food pantries, senior centers, nursing homes, children's hospitals, and more! Project details available the week before the event. There's no cost to participate but we will ask for donated items. Parents are strongly encouraged to sign up for our email distribution list to get the most up to date information.

+ **Cookie Baking:** Sunday, September 26th from 7pm-8:30pm. Youth in grades 8-12 are invited to join us as we bake chocolate chip cookies for the firefighters and police officers who serve our parish. Parents can RSVP via email by 9pm on Friday, September 24th. No cost to participate but we need a Photo/Medical form and Covid agreement on file. Limit of 10 participants.

+ **Respect Life Sunday:** Volunteering Shifts: Saturday, October 2nd 5:30pm-6:30pm. Sunday, October 3rd 7am-9pm, 9am-10:30am, 10:30am-12noon, 5:30pm-6:30pm. Help staff a pro-life themed booth. Parents RSVP via email for a shift by Friday at 9pm. No cost to participate but we need a Photo/Medical form and Covid agreement on file.

+ **Youth Apostolate Donut Sundays:** Youth in grades 8-12 can earn service hours for assisting with serving coffee and donuts once a month on Sundays. Parents can contact us via email by 9pm on the Friday before to RSVP for a shift. Shifts are 7:30am-9am, 9am-10:30am, 10:30am-12noon. No cost to participate but we need a Photo/Medical form and Covid agreement on file. September 12th, October 10th, November 14th, December 12th, January 9th, February 13th, March 13th, April 10th



+ **Lifeguard's Prayer Vigils:** Youth in grades 7-12 are invited to join us monthly as we stand in prayerful vigil for an end to abortion on the sidewalk outside of the Falls Church abortion facility. Transportation is provided from St. Veronica to the vigil and back. Youth will learn about the Church's teachings on the dignity of human life. Permission slips are required and can be submitted to the Parish Office by 5pm on the Wednesday before. There's no cost to participate but youth are encouraged to pack their lunch. Fall dates: Saturday, October 16th, 10am-12:30pm and Saturday, November 13th from 9:30am-12noon.

+ **Saints Alive, Grotto Visit and Prayer Walk:** Saturday, October 23rd from 3:30pm-10pm we are headed to the Seton Shrine and Grotto of Our Lady of Lourdes in Emmitsburg, MD. Confirmation students can submit this work of mercy as "Praying for the Living and the Dead". We will participate in a prayerful walk in the cemetery at the Seton Shrine. The evening includes transportation, saint walk, Grotto visit, pizza dinner and hot chocolate. Cost of \$30 and permission slips are due to the Parish Office by Wednesday, October 20th.

+ **All Saints Day Celebration:** On Sunday, October 31st, we will be hosting an All Saints Day party for families on the parish grounds from 12pm-1:30pm. Youth in grades 7-12 can earn service hours by volunteering to assist with games, food, and saint-themed activities. Youth volunteers will be required to serve from 10:30am-2pm that day, as they will be assisting with the preparation, set up, and clean up. Parents can RSVP for their youth volunteers via email by Wednesday, October 27th.

+ **High School Work Camp:** Youth currently in grades 9-12 can join our High School Work Camp community as we prepare for camp in June 2022. Our Fall interest meeting is at 6pm on Sunday, November 7th in the Parish Hall.

Parents are encouraged to sign up for our email distribution list for the most up to date information as details of events are subject to change. All youth in grades 6-12 are welcome to our activities at the appropriate grade level. Photo/Medical forms, permission slips, and Covid Waivers can be downloaded on the Youth Apostolate page of the parish website or by contacting us directly. Forms must be turned in as hard copies. We are not able to accept electronic signatures or forms submitted online. Some financial assistance is also available to youth who would like to participate in our activities but for whom the cost is an undue burden. Parents may contact us directly for more details as we do not want cost to prohibit a young person from participating. Our opportunities are open to all young people including those who may need reasonable accommodations due to a disability or language barrier. Parents are encouraged to contact us to discuss!

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