

Family & Small Group Service Projects

This year, we invite you to **choose one of these ten service/evangelization projects** (or come up with your own) to complete as a family. Sponsors are encouraged to participate!

SERVICE

Baby Shower for Pregnancy Center.

Put flyers around your neighborhood to let your neighbors know you are having a baby food and clothing drive to benefit a local pregnancy center. Invite them to leave their donations on their porch on a specified day. Gather all the donations and drop them off at the donation location of your choice.

*Contribute to the needs of the holy ones, exercise hospitality.
Romans 12:13*

Put your faith into action through advocacy. Become a voice for those who can't speak for themselves.

Visit [Catholic Relief Services](https://www.crs.org/sites/default/files/usops-resources/lead_the_way_how_to_advocate.pdf) website for ways to get involved.

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*...do justice and to love goodness, and to walk humbly
with your God.
Micah 6:8*

Collect & donate food.

Put flyers around your neighborhood to let your neighbors know you are having a food drive. Invite them to leave their donations on their porch on a specified day. Gather all the donations and drop them off at the donation location of your choice.

*For I was hungry and you gave me food, I was thirsty and you gave me drink, a stranger and you welcomed me.
Matthew 25:35*

Plan a visit to the cemetery.

Prior to your visit, make small cards or flags that you can leave on the graves. Gather gardening gloves and supplies so you are ready to clean the headstones. Once you arrive, choose a section to begin and do your best to clean and manicure the headstones. As this is done, pray for the repose of the person's soul and for their family.

*It is therefore a holy and wholesome thought to pray for the dead, that they may be loosed from sins.
2 Maccabees 12:46*

Beach clean up.

Choose a day and gather supplies: trash bags, gloves, and any other item to help you clean. Before you head out watch the following video:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=o3Lz7dmn1eM>

*Look, the heavens, even the highest heavens, belong to the LORD, your God, as well as the earth and everything on it.
Deuteronomy 10:14*

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Evangelization happens when the Word of Jesus speaks to peoples' hearts and minds. Our message of faith proclaims an eternally faithful God, creating all in love and sustaining all with gracious care. We proclaim that God, whose love is unconditional, offers us divine life even in the face of our sins, failures and inadequacies.

EVANGELIZATION

Write a note or letter of hope to a family member or friend.

Gather as a family and pick one or more persons you to write to. Prayerfully write a letter that offers hope and love to whomever you chose. Hand-deliver or mail your letter to the person and commit to pray for them throughout the week.

For the Son of Man has come to seek and to save what was lost. Luke 9:10

Go to Confession together as a family.

Schedule a time to go and receive the Sacrament of Confession as a family.

Use this guide for Confession:
<https://www.catholic.org/prayers/confession.php>

Therefore, confess your sins to one another and pray for one another, that you may be healed. The fervent prayer of a righteous person is very powerful.
James 5:16

Family Testimonies.

Learn how to give a 3-minute testimony, prepare one, and have everyone in your family share.

<https://ydisciple.com/free-resources/3-minute-testimonies/>

You will receive power when the holy Spirit comes upon you, and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem, throughout Judea and Samaria, and to the ends of the earth.
Acts 1:8

Use sidewalk chalk to write inspirational messages of hope on your sidewalk.

Share Scripture passages, quotes from saints, and/or drawings. Be creative and have fun sharing the Good News with your neighbors.

Go, therefore, and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the holy Spirit, teaching them to observe all that I have commanded you. And behold, I am with you always, until the end of the age. Matthew 28:19-20

Family Night of Prayer.

Choose a date and invite your sponsor for a night of Scripture and song!

Where two or more are gathered in my name, there I am in the midst of them. Matthew 18:20