

Discipleship Display

HUNTER MELTON



When

- On March 18th, 2023, the Santa Margarita baseball program hosted a little league challengers' event
- This event is specially designed for kids who want to play baseball but struggle with physical and mental disabilities
- My teammates and I each partnered up with a young kid and we taught them the basics of baseball



Where

- We played on the Santa Margarita varsity field to give them a more authentic feel
- The game lasted about an hour, and each kid got to hit twice
- We played in the field with them and ran around the bases with them after they got a hit
- My buddy, AJ, hit two doubles and played very well



Why

- Helping these kids helped me realize how fortunate I am that I get to play baseball almost every day
- I loved helping them out. Doing things for young kids, especially those with disabilities, helps me feel rewarded and happy
- Within the 7 catholic social teachings, the themes of respect for the human person, care for the poor, and the common good were represented in this work
- Despite their struggles, we treated the kids with respect to make sure they had a fun time. We cared for them and helped them do something they couldn't normally do. Finally, we performed good works for the community, which in doing so helped more than just the kids playing, but us, their parents, and others present.

