

Youth Service Opportunities

Grades 7-10

2011-2012



Important Information Enclosed

Now God gives us many kinds of special abilities, but it is the same Holy Spirit who is the source of them all. There are different kinds of service to God, but it is the same Lord we are serving. There are many ways in which God works in our lives, but it is the same God who does the work in and through all of us who are His. The Holy Spirit displays God's power through each of us as a means of helping the entire Church.

- 1 Corinthians 12: 4-7



Service as a Christian is giving back to God those gifts of time, strength, caring and talents with which we are entrusted. In the Old Testament, we read of sacrifices of the best of their flocks. We too, must give our best, not our leftovers. Our service is not to be thought of as something to complete, get over with, be finished with, or a task to be done with, but rather a new way of life.

And so as CHURCH, we are called to serve, to be faith-filled servants, stewards of our time and talents. Your participation is a sign, a way of new life, an example to all of us that you are prepared to live out your Catholic Christian Commitment.

Christian Service Minimum Requirements

7th Grade	5 hours
8th Grade	5 hours
9th Grade	10 hours
10th Grade	10 hours

Students will be asked to complete Christian Service hours each year. If a student completes more hours than required, they should record all hours. **Contracts of Christian Service are included at the end of this booklet. Each time you perform a service, please have the organization that you served or a parent sign one of the contracts. Return completed contracts to Youth Ministry Office.**



LEARNING TO SERVE SERVING TO LEARN

Service is considered a valuable learning experience and is an integral part of your total youth ministry experience. It takes planning and commitment on your part but you will be surprised at the joy and fulfillment experienced as you serve. You will meet many grace-filled people at the different service locations.

PARENTS—You have been so generous with your support of the service activities. These service opportunities could not happen without your help. Please take some time and look at the wonderful opportunities for whole families to serve together. We also need adult supervision on many projects, so please make this a year to get involved. You will come away with a real sense of joy. Please visit our website at www.swparish.org to view service opportunities. For all other opportunities, please call the contact number listed. Please call or email the Youth Ministry Office should you have any questions.

Barb Gawlik, Youth Minister,
547-2763 Ext. 211 or bgawlik.cf@tds.net

Julie Dennert, Youth Ministry Associate,
Ext. 220 or jdennert.cf@tds.net

We're here to serve.

Rummage Sale

Youth are asked to help set up and/or take down tables that hold donated items. Youth may also volunteer during the sale either after school or on the weekend to help sort and organize the donated goods.

FALL RUMMAGE SALE

Set Up: Thursday , Sept. 22 @ 7:00 –8:00 p.m.

Take Down: Saturday, Oct. 1 @ 3:00-4:00 p.m.

Place: St. William Gym

Contacts: Cindy LaHue, 408-5390

SPRING RUMMAGE SALE

Set Up: Thursday, April 12 @ 7:00 –8:00 p.m.

Take Down: Saturday, April 21 @ 3:00-4:00 p.m.-

Place: St. William Gym

Contact: Cindy LaHue, 408-5390



St. William Christian Women's
Craft Fair

Youth are asked to help set up and/or take down tables for the craft fair. Help is also needed during the craft fair in the kitchen, serving food and beverages, greeting, as well as, clearing tables.

Place: St. William Gym

Setup: November 4, 5:30 - 7:30 pm

Help at Fair: Saturday, November 5th
8:30 a.m. to 11:00 am
11:00 am to 1:30 pm
1:30 pm to 4:30 pm

Sunday, November 6th
8:30 am to 11:00 am
11:00 am to 1:30 pm
1:30 pm to 3:30 pm

Contact: Shannon Neubauer, 549-6482



Come Work With Us

Come and spend a few hours helping us give the Church a heavy duty cleaning in preparation for the Advent and Christmas Seasons. We will be washing the pews, doors, window sills, and anything else that could stand a good cleaning. We will provide all the cleaning supplies except for buckets and gloves.

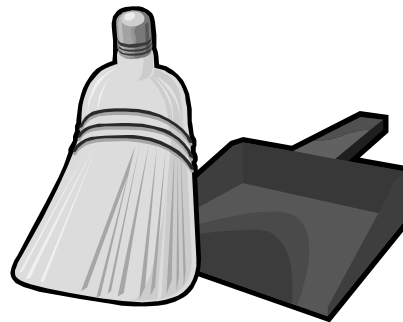
Date: Wednesday, November 23th
(Thanksgiving Break)

Time: 9:30 a.m. - Noon

Place: St. William Church

Contact: Julie Dennert, Youth Ministry
Associate, 547-2763 Ext 220

GREAT FAMILY SERVICE OPPORTUNITY



This opportunity can not happen without parent chaperones.

First Reconciliation Ice Cream Social

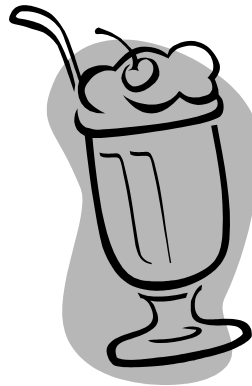
Youth are needed on two occasions, December 4th and December 6th to help setup, serve and clean up for our First Reconciliation Ice Cream Social. These events are a special celebration for the children who receive First Reconciliation and their families. One adult volunteer is also needed for each time.

Date: Saturday, December 3th
9:15 am to 11:15 am

Monday, December 5th
6:15 pm to 8:15 pm

Place: St. William Parish Hall

Contact: Pat Sennott, 547-2763 ext 225
Child Ministry Associate



Child Ministry will send reminders to confirm help 2 weeks prior to the event.

This is a family opportunity for service.

Box City

Youth collect pledges for the homeless shelters in Waukesha, then they experience what being homeless is like by spending the night in a box.

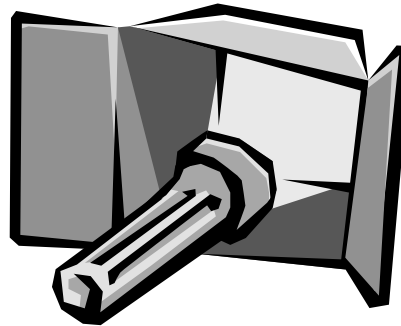
Look for sign up in Spring.

Date: Friday, May 18th

Time: 5:00 pm - 8:00 am

Place: St William Grounds

Contact: Barb Gawlik, 547-2763 Ext 211
Director of Youth Ministry



This opportunity can not happen without parent chaperones.

Assistance with Mass **at Linden Grove**

The residents at Linden Grove need our help to attend Mass on Sundays. You would be asked to assist residents to and from their rooms, assist residents in wheelchairs to Communion, and any other assistance that may be required during Mass time.

A brief orientation would be required and you are asked to commit to more than just one date. You will also be asked to notify Linden Grove of the dates that you will commit to so that they will know how to schedule their staff. A minimum of two youth would be asked to help for a Mass but they could use up to four youth. Masses take place at 1:15 on Sundays.

Dates: To be determined at Linden Grove Orientation

Place: Linden Grove
425 N. University Dr.

Contact: Jolene Lawrence, 524-6400



Souper Bowl Sunday

Youth are asked to hold soup pots at all entrances to the church as parishioners leave Mass. A courteous thank you as people donate is all that's needed. A half hour of service is given. Funds collected will be sent to a St. William Parish sponsored charity.

Date: February 4 & 5

Time: All Masses

Place: Main Entrance
Gym Entrance
Glass Lobby Entrance

Contact: Julie Dennert, 547-2763 Ext 220
Youth Ministry Associate



Living Stations of the Cross

Join us in this production of the Way of the Cross. The entire parish will be invited to pray with us. Youth will take roles of the main characters and disciples. Youth are also needed to greet and hand out programs. Production will be performed for the residents of Oak Hill Terrace on Palm Sunday, CF classes and for the parishioners of St. William on Good Friday.

Dates & Times:

Practices will be scheduled at first meeting

Palm Sunday, April 1st - Oak Hill Terrace

12:30 pm practice at St. William

2:00 pm - 3:00 pm performance

Good Friday, April 6th - St. William Parish

11:00 am - 1:00 pm



This opportunity can not happen without parent chaperones.

Spring Cleaning

Come and spend a few hours helping us give the Church a heavy duty cleaning in preparation for Easter. We will be washing the pews, doors, window sills, stations of the cross, and anything else that could stand a good cleaning. We will provide all the cleaning supplies except for buckets and gloves.

Date: Thursday, March 8th
(This is an early release day from school)

Time: Pizza lunch from 12:45-1:00 pm
Cleanup from 1:00 pm - 4:00 pm

Place: Church

Contact: Julie Dennert, 547-2763 Ext 220
Youth Ministry Associate

GREAT FAMILY SERVICE OPPORTUNITY



This opportunity can not happen without parent chaperones.

Mother's Day Rose Sale



Youth are needed to sell roses before and after Masses for Mother's Day. All proceeds after costs will go to St. William Life Committee. Some youth may be needed to cut roses in preparation for sale sometime on Saturday. If you are able to cut roses, please call.

Date: Saturday, May 12th
Sunday, May 13th

Place: Main Lobby & Glass Lobby
St. William Parish

Times: Before and After All Masses



Bingo at Linden Grove Nursing Home

Each youth is asked to **bring five prizes** for the residents who will be playing bingo. Youth will assist the residents in marking their cards and choosing from the prize tray. A few adult helpers are always needed. Parents, you are responsible for transportation of your own youth.

Bingo Prizes options:

- Candy bars
- Hard candies in baggies
- Small stuffed animal (beanie baby size)
- Trial size lotion, perfume or toothpaste
- Box of Kleenex
- Deodorants
- Seasonal window clings
- Costume Jewelry

Dates: Sunday, October 16th
 Sunday, November 13th
 Sunday, January 15th
 Sunday, February 19th
 Sunday, March 11th



Place: Linden Grove
 425 N. University Dr.

Time: 2:15 p.m. - 3:45 p.m.

Contact: Julie Dennert, 547-2763 Ext 220
 Youth Ministry Associate

This opportunity can not happen without parent chaperones.

Games at Oak Hill Terrace Nursing Home

Join the residents for an afternoon of games! What a special treat for the residents to have fun with our youth. Parents, you are responsible for the transportation of your own youth.

Dates: Saturday, October 8th
Saturday, October 29th
Saturday, November 12th
Saturday, January 14th
Saturday, January 28th
Saturday, February 11th
Saturday, March 10th
Saturday, March 24th

Time: 1:30 p.m.– 2:30 p.m.

Place: Oak Hill Terrace
1800 Kensington Drive

Contact: Julie Dennert, 547-2763 Ext 220
Youth Ministry Associate



This opportunity can not happen without parent chaperones.

Soup With Substance Kitchen Help

Youth are asked to help in the kitchen with cleanup at Soup With Substance. You will have the opportunity to enjoy a delicious bowl of soup during your service time.

Dates: Thursday, October 13th
 Thursday, January 12th
 Thursday, February 9th
 Thursday, March 1st
 Thursday, March 29th

Time: 6:00 p.m. - 7:30 p.m.

Place: Parish Hall

Contact: Mary Thiel, 547-2763 Ext 210
 Adult and Family Ministry Associate



Adult and Family Ministry will send reminders to confirm help 2 weeks prior to the event.

Childcare for Soup with Substance

Youth are needed to provide childcare services for children who attend Soup with Substance with their families. There is an adult to supervise the teens providing childcare. **You will be contacted prior to the event; if no one has registered for childcare, your service will not be needed.**

Dates: Thursday, October 13th
 Thursday, January 12th
 Thursday, February 9th
 Thursday, March 1st
 Thursday, March 29th

Time: 6:30 pm - 8:00 pm
 (Please plan to stay until all children
 have been picked up by their parents.)

Place: Parish Hall / APR

Contact: Mary Thiel, 547-2763 Ext 210
 Adult and Family Ministry Associate



Adult and Family Ministry will send reminders to confirm help 2 weeks prior to the event.

Green Power Garden

Green Power Garden is a community project that provides fresh produce to the homeless clients of the Hope Center and for needy families utilizing the Waukesha Food Pantry. Help is needed for harvesting in the fall and planting in the spring. Plenty of summer work is also available. The farm is located on Milky Way Road in the town of Waukesha, and spring pre-planting takes place at the Carroll University greenhouse. Sign up for one of the following times, or call or email Sandra at 262 385 8099/sroback@wi.rr.com, to work on your own schedule.

Fall Harvest Dates:

Saturday, October 15th and Saturday, October 22nd

Spring Seed Starting Dates:

Saturday March 31st, and Saturday April 14th

Contact: Julie Dennert, 547-2763 ex. 220

Youth Ministry Associate



Childcare for Parish Events

Every so often, we need to provide childcare for an event being held here at St. William's. Many of these events are hosted by our Child, Youth or Adult and Family Ministry Offices. We would like to assemble a list of reliable youth who would be willing to be called several weeks in advance to help with childcare. If you are one of these willing youth, please find the sign up sheet for event childcare.



The following pages of opportunities are not set up in advance. You do not sign up for these. These are opportunities that are year round and you do on your own, with parents or friends. Parents, you should read through these and talk with your youth before calling the various organizations.

PARISH OPPORTUNITIES

LECTOR TRAINING

Anyone who is interested in this liturgical ministry can be put on a list for training. To have youth visible and active in many ministries during Liturgy is such a sign of new life for the parish! Please consider this important way of growing in faith. Contact Person: Barb Gawlik, 547-2763 ext. 211

ALTAR SERVERS

If you have served in the past and would like to return, or if you have never served before but would like to give it a try, then you might want to consider this as an area of service. Contact Person: Pat Sennott, 547-2763 ext.225

MINISTERS OF HOSPITALITY/USHERS

Greeters/Ushers are needed at each of the weekend Masses to greet people, help seat them and take up the collection. Contact Person: Barb Gawlik, 547-2763 ext. 211

FAITH IN ACTION SERVICE DAYS

The dates are set for our parish service days - October 8th and April 21st. Join others within our faith community and make a difference at local area service sites. This is a family opportunity.

Contact: Adult and Family Ministry, 547-2763 ext. 210

WCSS ATHLETIC ASSOCIATION

Help is needed throughout the year with scoring and sales in the concession stands at athletic events held at St. William, St. Mary, or St. Joseph Parishes. This is during the volleyball and basketball seasons. Scorekeepers will not be paid if you are using this opportunity as service. **This service opportunity is limited to youth in Grades 9 and 10.**

Contact Person: Tom McElmeel, 896-2938 or email @
mcelmeelt@archmil.org

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY

St. Vincent De Paul is involved in a number of activities that help the poor and needy. Your services could be utilized in the following areas: serving at Waukesha meal programs, sorting and stocking the St. William food pantry, and packing food baskets at St. William for holiday distributions. There is also a Summer Bag Lunch Program that could use assistance.

Contact Person: Jim Mathie 521-1567



FAMILY OPPORTUNITIES

It is through the example of the adult community of St. William that our youth learn. If the adult community is alive, vibrant, and responsive to serving those in need, so too, will our youth. There are various ways and opportunities in which parents can show interest and be involved. Listed below are some family based opportunities. Read through and find an opportunity that works well for your family and go with your young person and serve. (Some opportunities below are suitable for young people 16 and older to serve on their own.)

IN THE WAUKESHA COMMUNITY

WAUKESHA DEPARTMENT OF SENIOR SERVICES

We affirm the dignity and value of our older citizens through services, support and opportunities which promote choice, independence and community involvement. There is a wide variety of tasks available for volunteering.

Contact: 262-548-7848 or
www.co.waukesha.wi.us/departments/aging



There are many health care facilities for the elderly and specially challenged. These opportunities, close in location, are listed below:

OAK HILL TERRACE

Check out the many needs of the residents and choose what you would like to do.

Contact: Carol, Activity Coordinator, 262-548-1457

LINDEN GROVE

So close to North High School, stop in after school to provide service in many ways. Help is also needed for Mass times assisting residents to and from their rooms and to Communion. This would require an orientation so you would be asked to commit to more than just one visit. Other times to serve are also available.

Contact: Jolene Lawrence, Activity Coordinator, 262-524-6400

WAUKESHA SPRINGS HEALTH & REHABILITATION CENTER

Many opportunities exist to assist the elderly. Come early and help escort residents to 1:45 p.m. Mass on Sunday, assist during meals, activities, special seasonal events, do letter writing and gardening. At home projects are also available.

Contact: Activity Coordinator, 262-548-1400.

THE SALVATION ARMY

Sorting food donations, packing food baskets, picking up donations and meal servers for the community meal are some of the opportunities available. Also needed are seasonal bell ringers, food sorters and toy sorters. Call first to schedule.

Contact: Marcy Stuzman, Volunteer Coordinator
262-547-7367 ext 231

LITERACY COUNCIL OF GREATER WAUKESHA

Help with mailings, computer data entry, and general office duties. Dr. Seuss Birthday Celebration is a special event held each year. Volunteers spend time during the day or evening sharing Dr. Seuss books at various facilities. Collection of new Dr. Seuss books is always welcome.

Contact: 262-547-7323 or www.waukeshaliteracy.org

HABITAT FOR HUMANITY WAUKESHA COUNTY

Provides affordable housing for families in need. Participants need to be 16 years of age or older.

Contact: www.hfhwaukesha.com.

HEBRON HOUSE OF HOSPITALITY

A resource agency responsible for the following shelters: Hebron House, Siena House and Jeremy House. Family service is welcome but you must be 16 years or older to volunteer on your own.

Contact Person: Volunteer Coordinator 262-549-8720 Ext 112

PLOWSHARE CENTER

A non-profit organization that serves as a marketplace for underprivileged countries. Help is needed as store clerks and at offsite activities such as booths at church festivals.

Contact: 262-547-5188

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL THRIFT STORE

Located at 305 E. Main Street, Waukesha, this facility provides clothing, household items and furniture to those in need. Help is needed doing housekeeping and light office duties at the facility, helping customers and donors, or hanging/stocking clothing.

Contact Person: Julie McIntyre at 262-547-3281

INTERFAITH SENIOR PROGRAMS

Provides services to the elderly and disabled in the area. Youth and families are needed for Make A Difference Days held in the beginning of November and Spring Ahead Days held in the beginning of May. Other seasonal yard services including snow removal and lawn care are also needed. Youth could also volunteer to do computer data entry at their office.

Contact: Carrie Lee Anderson, Program Manager 262-549-3348 Ext 228 or email carriellea@interfaithwaukesha.org

COOPERATING CONGREGATIONS OF WAUKESHA COUNTY

Many opportunities for service exist through CCWC. The Outreach Center at 502 N. East Ave. houses many projects. The Clothes Closet is always in need of helpers. Youth are needed to assist with childcare, yard clean-up and to help in The Donut Shoppe. Email: ccwc@ccwcweb.org
Contact Person: Director 262-549-8726 Ext 205

WAUKESHA CATHOLIC WORKER

Youth are invited to interact with patients that are here from other countries for medical treatment. Play games, take walks, or just offer some time and comfort. Also needed is help maintaining games and toys, lawn upkeep, catalog and organization of library and a host of other minor jobs. Located at 615 Lake Street, Waukesha.
Contact Person: Judith Williams, 524-8278.

LIFESTRIDERS THERAPUTIC RIDING CENTER

Volunteer to help with special needs children during equestrian therapy and training. Classes take place Tues.-Friday at 4 and 5 p.m. and Saturday mornings.
www.lifestriders.org
Contact Lori or Liz at 565 6124

ARCh

Come make a difference...join the ARCh Youth Team! This awesome group of middle and high school students (ages 13 and up) believe that everyone has the right to be treated with dignity and respect. Make a ton of new friends and have a blast while doing presentations (acting, singing, or helping behind the scenes) in schools, K5 through high school. Work together with teens who have disabilities to do service projects in the community and save children's lives by education the community about Shaken Baby Syndrome and other preventable causes of disabilities. For more info on how you can open hearts and change lives —
 Contact Person: Jennifer Horth at 262-542-9811 or email at mightyyouthteam@yahoo.com.

THE VOLUNTEER CENTER OF WAUKESHA

There are many more opportunities for service in the broader Waukesha community. One way of discovering what some other needs in the community are would be to contact The Volunteer Center of Waukesha. They match volunteers with their selected areas of interest and find places which need those skills. Some of the agencies which might need teen helpers include:

- Adult Daycare Centers in Waukesha
- Big Brothers Big Sisters
- ElmBrook Humane Society
- Food Pantry of Waukesha County
- La Casa de Esperanza
- National Multiple Sclerosis Society
- Retzer Nature Center
- Senior Facilities in Waukesha County
- Waukesha and Oconomowoc Memorial Hospital

Contact Volunteer Center @ 262-547-8459 or
www.volunteerwaukesha.com
 Located at 1717 Paramount Ave, Waukesha

THE MILWAUKEE COMMUNITY

EASTER SEALS

Summer opportunities include Adult Recreation Program Holler Park, Milwaukee, Recreation Program for Students at various locations and Birth to Three Early Intervention Program on N. 53rd Street, Milwaukee.

Contact: Volunteer Coordinator, 414-482-0133 or volunteers@easterseals-sewi.org.

HUNGER TASK FORCE

Work to stamp out hunger in Milwaukee. The Hunger Task Force supplies food to pantries, meal programs, and shelters. Youth can help sort food, pack emergency food boxes, pull orders and make deliveries in the warehouse, stock shelves or work in a food pantry, or serve in a meal program.

Contact: 414-777-0483 or www.hungertaskforce.org.

HOPE HOUSE

An emergency and transitional homeless shelter for single adults and families. It houses a food pantry and counselors are available to help its residents and the community. This is a 24 hour shelter. Saturday mornings from 9am-noon, help is needed in the food pantry.

Contact Volunteer Coordinator, 414-645-2122 or www.hopehousemke.org

REPAIRERS OF THE BREACH

A non-profit organization dedicated to making a difference in the lives of the homeless. Help with pancake breakfast, friends group, tutor program, sponsor brown bag lunch, clothes sorters, and many other opportunities. Limited to students in Grades 9 - 12.

Contact: Volunteer Coordinator at 414-934-9305 or www.repairers.org

NEIGHBORHOOD HOUSE OF MILWAUKEE

Provides childcare, child and family services, a family resource center and English as a Second Language program. Help in after school program, assist coaches in sports programs, assist in art room and help with childcare is needed.

Contact: Volunteer Coordinator, 414-933-6161
or www.nh-milw.org

SPECIAL OLYMPICS WISCONSIN
GREATER MILWAUKEE AREA

Provides year round sports training and athletic competition for children and adults age 8 and up with cognitive disabilities. Youth can help in a variety of ways at competition and special events.

Upcoming Events:

Regional Bowling Tournament, 10/16/2011 at AMF Bowlero, Wauwatosa
Sectional Bowling Tournament, 11/6/2011 at AMF Bowlero
District Basketball Skills Tournament, 3/11/2012 at Hartford Union High School
Team Basketball Competition, 3/4-5/12 at Homestead HS, Mequon
District Aquatics Competition, 4/21/2012 at YMCA Pabst Farms, Ocon.
Area Athletics Competition, 5/12/12 at Muskego High School
Area 8 Soccer Tournament, 5/5/2012 at West HS, Waukesha
Dist Softball, TBall, Bocce Competition, 7/14/2012, Wick Field, Milw

Be advised that there are registration deadline dates.

**This service opportunity is limited
to youth age 14 or older.
Family participation is welcomed
but only if youth meet age requirement.**

Contact Person: Sidny Harker 262-241-7786 ex. 12,
email sharker@specialolympicswisconsin.org website
www.specialolympicswisconsin.org



Why is it important to record Service Hours with the Youth Ministry Office?

Service to others is an important part of our Christian Formation. Jesus called us to serve others as He served us.

I am asked on occasion to write recommendation letters for young people to help them in receiving a scholarship, a college application, a reference for a job, the National Honor Society Application, or even to join a sorority or fraternity. With the hours on record that we maintain in the Youth Ministry Office, I am able to give a very detailed recommendation letter.

A young person had put down on their college essay the service they had performed and received \$5000 a year off all four years of school!

Record all your service with the Youth Ministry Office even if it is more than you are required. You never know what might be required to help your promising future.

*Barb Gawlik
Director of Youth Ministry*

