

## **Our Lady of Mount Carmel Christian Service Program**

The 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> grade students are required to complete 15 hours of Christian Service. The purpose is:

- To increase student awareness of community life
- Develop the student's individual, family, and community responsibilities
- Prepare the student for the sacrament of Confirmation

To ready oneself for Confirmation, one should strive to waken a sense of belonging to the Church of Jesus Christ, the universal Church as well as the parish community.

- Catechism of the Catholic Church

Christian service hours can be obtained when a student provides a service they would not normally do. For example, volunteering at:

Nursing homes  
Gleaners Food Bank  
With the Handicapped  
Assisted Living Centers  
Soup Kitchens  
K of C functions  
Vacation Bible School  
Parish festival

Family responsibilities such as looking after younger siblings, taking out the trash for your mother, etc...are not considered Christian Service hours. When in doubt please check with your teacher or with Mrs. Cameron.