

# St. Dominic School

## YOUTH STEWARDSHIP PROGRAM

“Do not waste your youth. Do not seek to escape from it. Live it intensely. You, young people, are not just the future of the Church and of humanity...The Church needs you, as young people, to manifest to the world the face of Jesus Christ, visible in the Christian community.” --*Pope Benedict XVI*





# Stewardship of Time and Talent

**6th grade (10 hours)**

**7th grade (20 hours)**

**8th grade (30 hours)**

## Guidelines:

1. Balance your time and talents as equally as possible between the summer months and those months when school is in session.
2. Think about all the ways that you could help others, and try to do a variety of service projects for your church, school, and community. Challenge yourself! See the suggestions below.
3. The required service hours listed above are **MINIMUM** documented hours. Remember that stewardship is about a lifetime commitment to God in praise and thanksgiving for His many blessings. Even though there will be a deadline for completing the minimum hours, one should never look on stewardship as meeting a minimum requirement and reaching a stopping point.
4. Whenever you complete a service activity, document it on the Stewardship Record in the back of this booklet. Keep your Stewardship Record in a safe place.
5. Turn in your completed Stewardship Record to your Religion teacher by the deadline.
6. See your Religion teacher or the school office for additional copies of the Stewardship Record.
7. Talk to your Religion teacher about any ideas you have about a service project you want to do.

## Suggested Activities:

- Visit the sick, elderly, and lonely in hospitals, nursing homes, or in your own neighborhood
- Volunteer your time helping out at a community event
- Fold church bulletins at the parish office when school is not in session
- Help out at school during the summer months
- Volunteer your time at school, church and PTO functions
- Serve your church as a musician, cantor, server, greeter, lector, etc.
- Do landscaping work (planting, weeding, raking) at church, school, or for an elderly neighbor
- Volunteer at Dominic's Closet
- Tutor a younger student before or after school or on weekends
- Help with Religious Education (CCD) on Wednesday nights
- Help with Kids for Jesus programs each month
- Be a youth leader in the After School Program
- Help a teacher make flash cards or bulletin boards
- Help out for a few hours at a soup kitchen
- Prepare care packages for soldiers



## Stewardship of Treasure

**Penny Days • Spirit Days • Church Tithing**  
**Food Bank Donations • Disaster Relief • Parish Fundraisers**  
**School Fundraisers • Community Fundraisers • Operation Rice Bowl**

### Suggestions:

1. Make it a habit to set aside part of your earnings, birthday money, or allowance to help out your church, school, community and people around the world. Whenever you receive money from babysitting, farm work, moving yards, etc., you might set aside a portion of your pay in a “Treasure Jar” and draw from it for weekly church tithing, Spirit Day dollars, and other programs and events that can benefit from your charitable donations.
2. If you are given an allowance to spend on snacks, pizza, movies, etc., spend a little less than you normally would and put the savings into your “Treasure Jar.”
3. If you find coins on the sidewalk, don’t walk past them. Pick them up and save them for Penny Day or Spirit Day, or put them into the church collection plate.
4. Develop the habit of contributing *your own money* to charities, to church, and to school events.
5. Set goals with your parents about how much you will pledge as a family to Operation Rice Bowl each year.
6. Talk to your parents about their church stewardship and the programs, projects, and organizations to which they give of their time, talent, and treasure. You will appreciate all the ways in which they serve God by helping others, and you will learn about being good stewards from their example.



# Stewardship Record

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Grade: \_\_\_\_\_

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