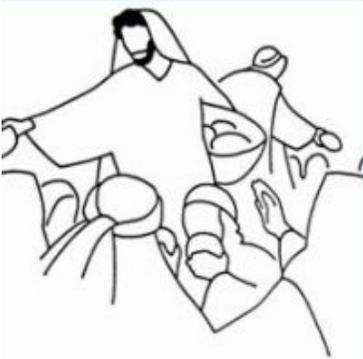


Senior Christian Service Project Packet

CHRISTIAN SERVICE PROJECT



"Service is a sign of love. Those who love know how to serve others." - Pope Francis



Know Truth. Love God. Serve Others. The Christian Service Project (CSP) exists at St. Michael to further the mission of the school. Engaging people in Christian service has forever been a fundamental piece of Catholicism and a crucial need to upholding the dignity of all persons. Serving the poor, the oppressed, and marginalized groups of people gives students an opportunity to grow in virtue, encounter Christ through the spiritual and corporal works of mercy and expand their worldview to see the many tangible ways they can be the hands and feet of Christ.

Included in Packet:

- General Requirements for Service
- General CSP Presentation Requirements
- CSP Part 1 Guidelines and Rubric
- CSP Part 2 Guidelines and Rubric
- Suggestions for Success

CSP Service Requirements

General Requirements for All Students

- A minimum of 25 service hours with ONE social service organization/agency each year.
 - Students may do their service in the summer.
 - Students who choose an agency from the [approved list](#) do NOT need to receive approval to begin their service hours.
 - If an agency is NOT on the list, students must obtain approval. Please send all approval requests to either Mrs. Burns or Sr. Jude Andrew, OP.
 - Students must work with agencies outside the SMA community and outside their ordinary obligations. (For example: volunteering with your sports team summer camp or service for scouting badges or an Eagle Scout project do not fulfill CSP requirements.)
 - Agency changes mid-year must be approved, and students must obtain 25 hours with the new agency.
- A mission trip may fulfill the CSP service requirement. Mission trips offered by an organization other than SMA need prior approval.
- Students may work with the same agency for several years, provided they are able to fulfill each of the grade level specific requirements below.
 - Students working at the same agency for several years must exhibit an increase in responsibility as well as more direct service with persons in need as the years go on.
- By the end of September, theology teachers will check in with students regarding their CSP. All students should have a commitment to a service agency by the end of September.
- Proof of Service: In the second semester, when the CSP service hours and CSP presentation are due (date set by the theology department), the student must submit proof of service.
 - This should be an official email or letter from the student's supervisor at the agency confirming that the student has completed 25 hours of service at that location since June of the previous year. This email or letter should be submitted to your theology teacher.
- CSP Grading: In second semester, the CSP is worth 10% of the final grade. There will be three grades entered for the CSP:
 - Proof of Service: 100 points
 - Reflective Paper: 40 points
 - Presentation: 60 points
- If a student fails to complete his/her service hours, that student will receive an incomplete in theology until the hours and the presentation are completed. Seniors will not receive their transcript or participate in graduation should service hours and/or the CSP project is not completed.

Grade Level Specific Service Requirements

Freshmen & Sophomores

- Freshmen and sophomores must fulfill the general guidelines listed above. They are highly encouraged to work with people, or with an organization that assists people (like a food bank, etc.), but they may work with animals.
- Important: Look at the reflection questions and presentation requirements. Choose an agency that will give you the service experience to be able to answer those questions thoughtfully.

Juniors & Seniors

- Juniors and seniors should work in agencies where they can have direct and personal encounters with those whom the agency serves.
 - Thrift stores, food pantries, etc. that offer service to those in need, but in which you would not have DIRECT CLIENT CONTACT are not acceptable for upperclassmen.
- Juniors and seniors may not work with animals.
- Important: Look at the reflection questions and presentation requirements. Choose an agency that will give you the service experience to be able to answer those questions thoughtfully.

CSP Presentation Requirements

Each year, students are required to give a presentation about their CSP service hours in their theology class. This is an opportunity for students to share with their peers about their experiences, challenges, lessons learned, and how they grew in virtue. Student presentations will include a paper and presentation and account for 10% of their second semester theology grade. Students will be graded on:

- Proof of Service: 100 points - Due April 1, 2021
 - Proof of service may be a self-reported time-log sheet signed by the service site supervisor or may be an email from the service site supervisor verifying the student served 25 hours. Proof of service emails should be sent to theology teachers.
- CSP Part One (Reflective Questions): 40 points - Due March 12, 2021
- CSP Part Two (Presentation): 60 points - Due April 1st, 2021

These projects will build upon one another each year to create a portfolio of information to utilize for their final Senior CSP presentation. Presentations will reflect on the [Corporal and Spiritual Works of Mercy](#) as well as [Christian Virtue](#).

Senior CSP: Hands & Feet of Christ

Your Task: This presentation is in two parts: 1) a reflective paper on the Christian understanding of service and how it relates to your 4 years of service due March 12, 2021 2) a video due April 1, 2021. The questions will be submitted directly to your theology teacher, and you will present your video to the whole class. Both are required. Please do your best work on both.

The focus of the senior CSP Presentation is answering the questions: "How does Christ want to serve in me?"

Senior CSP Part One: Reflective Homework Questions (40 points) Due March 12, 2021

As members of the Body of Christ, the Church, we are incorporated into Christ so profoundly that we can become channels of His love, mercy, and grace to the world. Through us, Christ desires to continue His saving mission on earth, that is why the mandate to love and serve others is an essential element of the Christian life and is a uniquely Christian motive of service. This is why "serve others" is part of our mission and identity here at St. Michael the Archangel Catholic High School.

In these reflective questions, you need to explore this theme - why Christians are called to serve and how Christ wants to serve through us. Please write a full paragraph for each question. A paragraph is 4-6 sentences, with a topic, supporting evidence and explanation, and a conclusion. You will be graded on evidence of thought, careful attention, and clarity of topic. Answering these questions well - completely and thoughtfully - will help prepare you for your video. Each question is worth 5 points.

1. Where did you serve? Why did you choose your service site?
2. Describe the service work you accomplished. What were your duties? What did you do?
3. What did you enjoy about the service work?
4. Look up the Bible passages: 1 Corinthians 12:12-27, Romans 12:1-21, 1 John 2:1-6, 1 John 4:7-21. How do these passages relate to your service work at SMA over the past 4 years
5. What did you find difficult or challenging about the service work? How did you overcome that challenge?
6. You have discussed the Dignity of the human person and dignity of the body through your years in Theology class. How did this central ideal of the Catholic faith play out in your years of service? Use the CCC 1701-1742 as a resource to answer this question
7. What are you most grateful for or appreciative of because of this experience of service? How did it make you a better disciple of Christ?
8. Describe a memorable story or a positive interaction you had with someone because of this service work.
9. As you look back on your 4 years of service what is the most important thing you learned from this experience? How did you grow as a person?
10. Where might you like to do your service in the future? Why?

Senior CSP Part Two: Video and Class Presentation (60 points) Due April 1, 2021

This video and presentation should be a capstone of your 4 years of Christian service at SMA. You will present before a panel of teachers and staff from SMA on Holy Thursday. Your presentation is in two parts: 1) a 3-4 minute verbal presentation and 2) a 5-7 minute video. Both should highlight your 4 years of Christian service at SMA, how it impacted you, and what makes Christian service unique and distinctive. Use 3-4 major points from your reflective questions but do not read your paper in the presentation or on the video. Rather make it engaging and creative. Use the rubric below as a guide as you prepare your video and your presentation before the panel.

Senior CSP Video Grading Rubric

Category	Criteria	Points
General	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> On time, professional dress, appropriate manner <input type="checkbox"/> Complete (proof of service, questions, and video) 	____/4
Video - Content <i>Be sure to address each of these topics, use the Slides, your own explanation, and pictures.</i>	<p>Your 4 years of service</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> Where did you serve each year? <input type="checkbox"/> Why did you choose your sites? <input type="checkbox"/> Describe your work each year? <input type="checkbox"/> How were they an expression of service, or a work of mercy, or virtue? <p>Reflection - choose 3-4 core concepts, such as:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> Relevant passages from the <i>Catechism of the Catholic Church</i> <input type="checkbox"/> Examples and lessons from the saints about Christian service <input type="checkbox"/> Core concepts from theology class about Christian service <input type="checkbox"/> Meaningfully answers the question: WHY do Christians serve? 	<p>Your Service ____/12 (3 points per year)</p> <p>Core Concept 1 ____/6</p> <p>Core Concept 2 ____/6</p> <p>Core Concept 3 ____/6</p>
Video Presentation	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> If using embedded Powerpoint Slides: they contain bullet points (not paragraph text copied from reflection!) <input type="checkbox"/> Includes pictures <input type="checkbox"/> Clearly communicates content, logical sequence <input type="checkbox"/> Free of grammatical errors <input type="checkbox"/> Student is present in video, appropriately dressed <input type="checkbox"/> Video is well edited, organized, appealing, clear evidence of effort and creativity <input type="checkbox"/> 5-7 minutes long 	____/10
Panel Presentation - Student Delivery	<p>Before Showing the Video to the panel:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> Student shares a 3-4 minute verbal presentation that does the following: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> Describes where they completed the 4 years of service <input type="checkbox"/> Answer these questions <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> Why was completing 100 hours of service during your high school career impactful? <input type="checkbox"/> What is distinctive about <u>Christian</u> service? <p>After Showing the Video to the panel:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> Is able to answer questions about his/her service, the project, and elaborate on required content 	<p>Impact ____/5</p> <p>Christian ____/5</p> <p>Answers questions well ____/6</p>
TOTAL POINTS		____/60

Senior CSP Suggestions for Success

THE VIDEO:

GOOD OVERVIEW

- <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=3OoQ7H0vZmg>
- <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=U1Hd60lwOyA>

ADD AUDIO

- You can record on your phone using “voice memos” and then upload the file to your desktop. You can use garage band, or just google “record audio” and there are multiple free entities to do so.

MUSIC

- <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=daiPmmOzle4>

EMBEDDING POWERPOINT

- <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Ob4T9r6XqPg>

EMBEDDING GOOGLE SLIDES

- https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=AEZln_A56CM

ADD PICTURE

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

ADD TEXT TO VIDEO

- https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=tswHos_UsAs

CUT VIDEO

- <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=xE5vSRDtQa8>

SEPARATE SOUND FROM PICTURE

- <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Mlg2BGh0Ajw>