

## 7<sup>TH</sup> GRADE COMMUNITY SERVICE PROJECTS

Service to the community is an important way for our students to learn about Jesus' teachings. Every grade has a different project that they are responsible for and each one can provide students with valuable life lessons. Please use these community service projects as opportunities to teach your students the importance of doing something for their Church community as well as for others.

### **BAKE SALE**



Our 7<sup>th</sup> grade classes are responsible for the annual Bake Sale that is held in the new addition on the weekend before Thanksgiving. This is the only fundraiser that we hold for the Faith Formation program, therefore, prior planning is very important for its success.

Students will need to make nice posters containing all of the necessary information and hang them around the church, rectory and church hall. Students will assist with pricing, set-up and clean-up for the event. They will also need to help sell the baked goods after each Mass with the assistance of an adult volunteer.

### **EASER EGG HUNT**



Our 7<sup>th</sup> Grade also hosts the Easter Egg Hunt for our younger students in PK – 3<sup>rd</sup> Grade. This is an opportunity for them to be positive role models for these younger children and they always have fun with this project. They learn how area businesses help support non-profit groups such as the Church and see how their hard work preparing everything for the hunt pays off when they see all of the smiles on Easter morning.

Service outside of the Church is wonderful and always encouraged, but it is also important to get our students actively involved in their Church community as well. As they progress toward the Sacrament of Confirmation, they need to show that they are living their Catholic Faith by class attendance and participation, weekly worship at Mass and regular reception of the sacraments (Eucharist and Reconciliation) as well as service to their parish community.

Every student is expected to participate in at least one of the community service projects that their grade is responsible for. Any student who does not volunteer for their grade project will be contacted to help with another Church community project. The question shouldn't be "Why do I have to help?", but instead "How can I help?" Jesus said, "Serve others as I have served you." As Christians, it is Christ's example we should be following.