

Faith Series Activities

Introduction

Like the Pope John Paul II program, this is excellent for anyone to get started in earning religious emblems, or in cases where a Scout has to wait until he is eligible to earn his next emblem. All youth and adults—Scouts or non-Scouts, Catholic or non-Catholic, male or female—are welcome to participate in this activity. All of these activities may be used by groups, families, schools, or any Cub Scout, Boy Scout, Venturer, Girl Scout, American Heritage Girl, or Campfire USA. Most questions are well suited for discussion around a kitchen table with family, or a small group. The questions are in three age groups and well suited for any youth or adult. Each patch may be earned in one session or shorter sessions over a longer period, and may be earned in any sequence, with no time requirement between patches. Participants may enjoy this program with friends or family, while learning about their faith.



Corporal Works of Mercy

More activities will be added after 6/1/2015

Each January, the Scout Day with the Bishop's Printed Program will list the persons who complete any of these activities and order patches by the first Saturday in December.

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Corporal Works of Mercy Activity Requirements

Requirements for Corporal Works of Mercy Activity

All – Read about the Corporal Works of Mercy.

1st thru 5th Grades - Complete requirements one through five.

6th thru 12th Grades - Complete all requirements.

Adults: Mentor one or more youth to earn patch.



Requirements:

1. After reading Matthew 25:31-46 and Tobit 1:16 – 2:8 answer the following questions:
 - a. In what way is it true that, “Whatever you do to the least of my brothers, you do to Me.”?
 - b. What does Jesus say is the reward for those who do a corporal work of mercy?
 - c. What does Jesus say is the punishment for those who do not?
 - d. In Tobit 1:17 it describes Tobit performing three of the corporal works of mercy. Which ones are they?
 - e. #2447 of the Catechism of the Catholic Church states: “The corporal works of mercy consist especially in feeding the hungry, sheltering the homeless, clothing the naked, visiting the sick and imprisoned, and burying the dead.” In this list, which two of the works of mercy are merged into one?
2. Sing “Whatsoever You Do” from your parish hymnal (Text: Matthew 5:3-12: Willard F Jabusch) with your parents or counselor. How is it the same or different from the scripture readings in question # 1?
3. With help, make and save a list of at least ten individuals or groups in your parish, diocese, or other parts of the world, that practice the corporal works of mercy.
4. Participate in the Scouting for Food or other food drive in your community. Donate the food to St. Vincent de Paul Society, parish or diocesan food bank, or community program that serves the needy.
5. In collaboration with your parents or counselor, volunteer at least one hour of service to one of the groups identified in your list in #3.
6. Create a brief report on one of the following groups. Identify the founder and when and why it was founded. Research how they are funded, the impact of the group, and the number of people they serve. Which of the corporal works of mercy does this group perform?
 - Knights of Columbus
 - Missionaries of Charity
 - St. Vincent de Paul Society
7. With help, make a list of local soup kitchens, homeless shelters, etc. Share this list with your parents or counselor or the rest of your group. Explain how you choose to imitate the actions of the people in these groups.
8. With help, carry out one of the following:
 - a. Devise an activity to raise money and donate the proceeds to a local group that practices the corporal works of mercy.
 - b. If you work or earn an allowance, save at least ten percent over the next two months and donate it to a local charity.
9. Discuss with your parents or counselor, and contact the Volunteer Coordinator at one of the following: local hospital, nursing home, hospice, food pantry, soup kitchen, homeless shelter, pro-life group or clothing bank, and explore ways you can assist in carrying out their mission. Volunteer for at least two hours.

For more information about The Corporal Works of Mercy, check out the websites below:
www.Catholic.org

The answers to the requirements may be found on:
www.cdeducation.org/oym/scouts.htm

Faith Series Order Form

Youth, Adults, Packs, Troops, Crews, Schools, Youth Groups or other groups that provide, with this Order Form, name, address, parish, phone and email, of persons (Catholic or non-Catholic) completing the requirements for one or more of the five patches, will be listed in the printed program, distributed at next January's **Scout Day With the Bishop**. To be included, orders must be received by the first Saturday of December. The back of this sheet or an additional sheet may also be used

The following have completed the activity requirements for this order:

Name	Address	Zip	Parish	Phone	Email

Ordered By and Ship To: Name _____ Unit # _____

Address _____ City _____ Zip _____

Phone _____ Email _____

Group _____ Parish _____

Patch	QTY
Corporal Works of Mercy	
Order Total:	

x \$4.00 =

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Checks Payable to: **Catholic Committee on Scouting**
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