



## Works of Mercy and Service Opportunities

### December 2017

**CHRISTMAS CAROLING AT SUNRISE ASSISTED LIVING CENTER:** Wednesday, December 6<sup>th</sup> (6:00-8:00 p.m.) Students, families, Scouting Troops and friends are welcome to join us for this annual St. Paul Night of Caroling at Sunrise Assisted Living Center. Carolers and their drivers will gather in the St. Paul School Cafeteria for a quick rehearsal between 6:00-6:30 p.m. and then depart for the Sunrise Assisted Living Center located at 21260 Mack Avenue in Grosse Pointe Woods. The group will carol for several groups of residents between 6:45-8:00 p.m. Carolers are welcome to bring sugar cookies or clementines to present to the guests while visiting. *The leader for this event is Mr. Jim Bartoletti. Please contact Jim to sign-up at (586) 306-8377 or email him at [allstatejimb@aol.com](mailto:allstatejimb@aol.com)*

**CARD MAKING FOR THE ST. PAUL BEREAVEMENT GROUP AND HOMEBOUND:** Tuesday, December 12<sup>th</sup> (5:35-7:00 p.m. following R.E. class time) in the St. Paul Cafeteria. Spread some Christmas cheer to a member of our own parish family that has recently lost a loved one or is not able to leave their home during the holiday season. Volunteers will share a message of love and kindness by decorating Christmas cards for these parish groups. *The leader for this event is Mrs. Lisa Ulbrich. Please contact Lisa to sign-up at (313) 804-5500 or email her at [laulbrich@gmail.com](mailto:laulbrich@gmail.com).*

**CALLING ALL COOKIE BAKERS AND DECORATORS (ALL AGES ENCOURAGED) FOR THE ANGEL TREE PROGRAM:** On your own schedule, but prepared and delivered by Friday, December 15<sup>th</sup>. Volunteer/Groups are needed to make 5 dozen cookies, bars, or whatever your Christmas specialty sweet treat is each year. Baked items must be packaged by dozen in a snap lid plastic/tin container. In past years, many volunteers purchase pre-made sugar cookie dough at Gordon Food Service and gather friends or service groups together to bake and decorate. \***WHAT IS THE ANGEL TREE PROGRAM?** This project delivers Christmas love and joy in the form of wrapped presents, food, treats and Christmas cheer to hundreds of needy children who have an incarcerated parent at Christmas time each year. Volunteers should visit the following Sign-Up Genius for additional program information or to sign-up: <http://www.signupgenius.com/go/60B0F4EAEAE2AA31-angel4>. *The leaders for this project are Mr. and Mrs. Eric and Lisa Thams. Please contact Lisa at (248) 515-6832 if you have any questions after visiting the Sign-Up Genius link*

**ST. MARY'S NURSING HOME:** This community truly enjoys when the students come for a visit. Organized groups are needed to visit residents: play cards or board games, organize an activity or just enjoy conversation. Several groups in the past hosted a tea social for the residents. They served tea and cookies, and visited with the elderly. *This facility is located on 9 Mile Road in St. Clair Shores. Please contact Tina Hein, the Activities Coordinator to sign-up and volunteer (586) 772-4300.*

**PARISH REPORTER MAILINGS/STUFFING PROJECT:** Each month, several youth volunteers are needed to assist with stuffing the SERF Vicariate Newsletter into the Parish Reporters before weekend masses. This project will take place on Friday afternoons immediately following school dismissal. A different date will be set each month, and volunteers will report to Mrs. Sheri Campbell in the Parish Office. *Please contact Mrs. Campbell at (313) 885-8855, ext. 141. if you would like to sign-up for a future service date.*

# **Raise your hand and say, “I’ll help the older citizens in my community”!**



Services for Older Citizens (SOC) is looking for Student Volunteers in lots of fun areas. SOC is a non-profit organization dedicated to helping older citizens in the Grosse Pointes and Harper Woods maintain their lives in independence and dignity. You can:

- Play games
- Walk a senior's pet
- Bake desserts for a special Event
- Deliver “Meals on Wheels”
- Write letters
- Help with special events
- Teach a computer lesson
- Make a birthday card
- Do a little yard work
- Assemble holiday baskets
- Share a Talent

**For more information, contact:**

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**Raise your hand. You'll be glad you did!**