

Activity #8 – Grades 5 and 6

Bring this completed paper to class with you on Sunday, February 4 or Wednesday, February 7, 2024.

Name \_\_\_\_\_

# The Corporal Works of Mercy

In the midst of the many issues we are dealing with this winter such as cold, sickness, and restrictions on our daily lives, performing the Corporal Works of Mercy is especially important. Jesus tells us that whatever we do for a person in need, we do for him.

Below are the **Corporal Works of Mercy** and some ways you can perform those works:

# 1. Feed the hungry

- Share your lunch or snack.
- 2. Give drink to the thirsty
  - Talk to someone in your school who is thirsting for friendship.
  - Learn about the needs for clean water from a website such as <a href="https://crosscatholic.org/project-catalog/water/">https://crosscatholic.org/project-catalog/water/</a>

#### 3. Clothe the naked

- Share something you have with a sibling or friend.
- Donate some relatively new clothes you have.

#### 4. Shelter the homeless

 Learn about the problems that many people face and what is done about it from a website such as <u>https://breadandlife.org/</u>.

### 5. Visit the sick

- Call, email, visit, or send a card or note to someone who is sick or is having a hard time.
- Wear your mask or follow COVID protocols without complaining.

# 6. Visit the imprisoned

- Pray for people who are in prison and for their families.
- Pray for people who are imprisoned by drugs or alcohol and for their families.
- Learn about the church's stand on the death penalty at <u>https://www.usccb.org/resources/churchs-anti-death-penalty-position</u>.

# 7. Bury the dead

• Call, email, or visit someone who is missing a person who has died.

You may have other ideas of ways to perform acts of mercy. For this Faith in Action activity, perform a work of mercy in any way you choose.

What work did you do and why did you choose it?\_\_\_\_\_

Ask an adult in your family to tell you about one Corporal Work of Mercy they've done. Write it here.