



**GOOD SHEPHERD CATHOLIC CHURCH
JULY 28 – 31, 2019**

*Open to all students currently in grades 6-8
(Rising 7, 8 & 9)*

“For I was hungry and you gave me food, I was thirsty and you gave me drink, a stranger and you welcomed me, naked and you clothed me, ill and you cared for me, in prison and you visited me.” Then the righteous will answer him and say, “Lord, when did we see you hungry and feed you, or thirsty and give you drink? When did we see you a stranger and welcome you, or naked and clothe you? When did we see you ill or in prison, and visit you?” And the king will say to them in reply, “Amen, I say to you, whatever you did for one of the least of my brothers and sisters, you did for me.”

--Matthew 25:35-40

What is WorkCamp?

WorkCamp is an experience of service and fellowship designed to help students live out their Catholic faith. This is accomplished through direct service with people in need, communal prayer and worship, small group discussions, talks, and much more. The work you do depends on what work site you are assigned but is typically light home improvement, painting, yard work, or some similar task. All work is well supervised and safe.

WorkCamp Schedule

Sunday, July 28:

- 7:00-9:00 pm
- Intro to WorkCamp

Monday, July 29 & Tuesday, July 30:

- 8:45 am check in
- 9:00 am Mass
- 9:45 am leave for work sites
- 12:30 pm lunch and prayer
- return to GS at 4:00 pm
- games and fun
- 5:00 pm dinner
- Evening Program
- finish by 6:00 pm

Wednesday, July 31:

- 8:45 am check in
- 9:00 am Mass
- 9:45 am leave for work sites
- 12:30 pm lunch and prayer
- return to GS at 4:00 pm
- games and fun
- 6:00 pm - Dinner and Closing Program*
- finish by 7:00 pm

**families are invited to join us for the closing Mass, dinner, and Program*

If you are open to God working in you and through you, and if you are interested in serving your brothers and sisters in Christ, then WorkCamp will likely be an amazing experience for you. Just fill out the attached application form and turn it in by Sunday, July 14 with your payment of \$50.

Adult Volunteers: Get Involved!

WorkCamp is a huge undertaking and will require help from the entire community to be successful, so we are asking all parents of WorkCamp participants to please consider volunteering in some capacity. It is also a fantastic way to grow in your own faith and to share a meaningful experience with your child. Help is needed for every aspect of WorkCamp:

- ***In the Kitchen***: coordinating meals, shopping for food, making bag lunches, making and serving dinners, etc.
- ***Crew Leaders*** (must be/become child safety compliant): accompany a group of teens throughout the day and share in the work on site
- ***Home Base***: help with logistics and behind the scenes necessities
- ***Trouble Shooters***: driving between the sites, checking in with work crews, communicating with home base, etc.
- ***Photo/Video***: taking pictures and/or video of all aspects of WorkCamp

PARTICIPANT APPLICATION – DUE SUNDAY, July 14

Name _____ **Date of Birth** _____

Grade _____ **School:** _____

Age you will be at WorkCamp _____ **Youth E-mail** _____

Home Phone _____ **Youth Cell Phone** _____

Parent(s)/guardian(s) Name _____

Parent E-mail _____ **Parent Cell Phone** _____

Do you have any health/medical concerns or special needs that we should be aware of?

Please answer honestly: Why do you want to participate in WorkCamp?

Please answer honestly: Why is service important?

Please answer honestly: How would you describe your faith in God?

Please answer honestly: If you could have any super power, which would that be and why?

Covenant for Youth

I, _____, have read the WorkCamp Participant Information Packet fully, and I understand what my participation in WorkCamp entails. I am aware that this is a commitment to serve God and to serve others. I promise to enter into the experience with an open heart and open mind. I will behave in a manner appropriate to a maturing Christian. And I will share my experience with others when WorkCamp is over.

Signature: _____

Date _____

Covenant for Parents/Guardians

As the parent/guardian of the student named above, I have read the WorkCamp Participant Information Packet fully, and I understand what my child's participation in WorkCamp entails. I am aware that this is a commitment for her/him to serve God and to serve others. I pledge to give my child full support throughout this journey. I will support her/him in meeting all of the commitments listed above.

Signature: _____

Date _____

Signature: _____

Date _____

*[This second signature line is for families with two parents/guardians.
If your household only has one parent/guardian, please disregard.]*

I am also interested in volunteering in the following capacity (for information on each position, please see the descriptions included in this packet or contact youthministry@gs-cc.org):

- In the Kitchen*
- Crew Leader* (must be/become compliant per diocesan guidelines)
- Home Base*
- Trouble Shooter*
- Photo/Video*



CATHOLIC CHARITIES

Diocese of Arlington

Legal Guardian Consent Form (for Minor Volunteers)

I, _____, residing at
(Name of Adult)

(Street Address, City, State, Zip Code)

give consent for _____, who resides at
(Name of Minor)

_____, attends
(Street Address, City, State, Zip Code)

School at _____ and who was born on _____,
(Month / Day / Year)

to volunteer with Catholic Charities of the Diocese of Arlington (CCDA). My relationship with
said minor is _____. My child is or is not looking for service hours.
(Parent, Guardian, etc.) (Circle one)

I understand that this volunteer activity may expose my child to some risks as outlined in the attachment. I release CCDA of any liability and agree to hold them harmless from any and all claims, demands, actions and proceedings of any kind or nature by or in favor of my child or myself in connection with this voluntary service.

Signed,

(Parent/Guardian Signature)

(Date)

(Children Ages 12 and under) As the Parent/Legal Guardian of the above-mentioned Minor, I understand that CCDA is unable to supervise youth volunteers and agree to accompany my child during their service until such time as he/she reaches 13 years of age.

(Parent/Guardian Signature)

(Date)

GENERAL OFFICE VOLUNTEER

Statement of Program Specific Risks

St. Martin de Porres Senior Center

Volunteer Do's and Don'ts:

- **Do** follow the safety precautions provided to you.
- **Do** wear modest clothing and shoes. Please have all undergarments appropriately covered.
- **Do** behave in a manner consistent with Catholic Social Teaching. Treat all you meet with respect and dignity. Be proud of your work and service to the poor.

- **Do not** share very private information with any participant.
- **Do not** accept gifts from or bring anything as a gift for a specific participant.



City of Alexandria
Department of Recreation, Parks, and Cultural Activities

Volunteer Waiver of Liability/ Assumption of Risk / Sign-In Sheet / Photo Release

To participate as a volunteer in the **July 29, 30, and 31, 2019 Good Shepherd Catholic Church Middle School Volunteer Work Camp** with the City of Alexandria Department of Recreation, Parks, and Cultural Activities (RCPA), Natural Lands Management Section, the undersigned does hereby agree to the terms described below:

The undersigned understands and acknowledges the potentially dangerous nature of activities involved in participating in park maintenance activities and stream cleanups. In their duties, volunteers may encounter rough and uneven terrain, stinging insects, poisonous or thorny plants, open bodies of water (streams/marshes), wild animals, litter and refuse, dirty and/or wet conditions, etc. Accordingly, the undersigned hereby assumes all risk of bodily injury, personal injury, death, or property damage/loss, from whatever cause, arising out of the participation of the undersigned in this volunteer activity.

The undersigned agrees to release, indemnify, and hold harmless the City of Alexandria, Department of Recreation, Parks, and Cultural Activities, all sponsors, partners, site leaders, and their officers, employees, agents, a member of representatives from any and all liability, claims, demands, expenses, fees, fines, penalties, suits proceedings, actions and costs of actions, including attorneys' fees for trial and appeal, arising from or connected in any way with bodily injury, personal injury, death, or property damages/loss arising from the participation of the undersigned in this volunteer activity. The undersigned agrees that this agreement includes, but is not limited to, any claims based on the negligent acts or omissions of indemnified parties, and that it is made on behalf of the undersigned and his/her heirs or assignees.

The undersigned also agrees that photographs taken during the event may be used for media and outreach use including inclusion in publications.

Parents / legal guardians must sign for volunteers under the age of eighteen

Volunteer Full Name: _____

Phone: _____ Email: _____

Address: _____

(Volunteer Signature)

(Date)

(Parent/Guardian Signature for volunteers under 18.)

(Date)