

MISSION IN OUR OWN BACKYARD

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 10 -
SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 12

LEARN — GROW — SERVE

We're looking for youth in grades 8-12 (and their chaperones) & young adults to join us in making a difference for their neighbors here in northern NJ. This is an amazing & affordable opportunity for young people to engage in fun, interactive community service and explore how caring for our neighbors helps us live out our faith. This is a great opportunity to earn community service hours for:

- Confirmation preparation
- School requirements
- Community service clubs
- Scouting badges

Using **Cross Roads** (our diocesan camp & retreat center) as our base, we'll go out in groups to work with our neighbors, including Christ Church in Budd Lake, the Church of the Messiah in Chester, North Porch, and St. John's Church in Dover (see descriptions on reverse).

The \$120 fee includes lodging, 5 meals, snacks, and transportation to & from worksites. Scholarships are available upon request. Contact Kaileen Alston, diocesan Director of Youth & Young Adult Ministries, at kalston@dioceseofnewark.org or (973) 430-9991 or visit www.dioceseofnewark.org/youth for more information.



Description of Worksites

Rank (1st Choice; 2nd Choice, etc.).
We will try our best to accommodate
your preference.

Christ Church in Budd Lake

Youth (and their chaperones) who enjoy painting and being able to “leave their mark” on a ministry will paint the parish hall. This offering will help Christ Church provide a better welcome to community groups, outreach recipients and parishioners who visit the congregation. Bring clothes, shoes and baseball caps for Friday that you don’t mind getting permanent paint on.

Choice #

The Church of the Messiah in Chester

There are several opportunities to serve here! Participants can sort and hang clothes for the church’s thrift shop, decorate Christmas trees that will be sold at a later fundraiser for the Senior Resource Center, bake and cook for Homeless Solutions (a Morris County social service agency) and rake leaves on the church’s property.

Choice #

St. John’s Church in Dover

Youth will speak with two 20-something year old Venezuelan refugees about their stories (inc. why they left their country, what they found here, the role they feel God has had in their journey). Youth will also bake with the refugees who are trained pastry chefs. Lastly, they will sort supplies for North Porch—a ministry that provides emergency diapers, formula & wipes to women with young children.

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