



UNDERCLASSMEN

Christian Service Requirements

WHAT IS CHRISTIAN SERVICE?



One of the cornerstones of Xaverian Spirituality, caring for God's people through **direct service**, is an essential part of what it means to be part of the Malden Catholic community. Here at MC, you are required to dedicate a portion of your time each year to meeting the needs of those on the margins of society.

WORKS OF MERCY

Corporal

- Feed the hungry
- Give drink to the thirsty
- Clothe the naked
- Welcome the stranger
- Bury the Dead
- Visit the imprisoned
- Minister to the sick

Spiritual

- Pray for the living and the dead
- Counsel the doubtful
- Comfort the sorrowful
- Forgive injuries
- Bear wrongs patiently
- Educate the young
- Encourage Repentance

WHAT IS DIRECT SERVICE?



PEOPLE ON THE MARGINS

Your service must meet the needs of the elderly, poor, marginalized, disabled, disadvantaged, excluded, or underserved.



PERSONAL CONNECTION

During your service, you must interact with the people served by your organization in some way.



NONPROFIT ORGANIZATION

Your service must be done for an organization that does not profit from the services it provides. They should have the title of 501(c)(3). These are charitable or public organizations.



EXAMPLES

- City or town sports leagues
- Public or Catholic Schools
- Churches
- Food Banks or Pantries
- Soup Kitchens
- Certain Nursing Homes
- Organizations for People with Developmental Disabilities

RESTRICTIONS

INFORMAL SERVICE

You cannot simply tutor your cousin, shovel for a neighbor, or make Christmas gifts for your family, to name a few examples. While these are lovely gestures, they cannot count as service.

EMPLOYMENT FOR NO MONEY

You cannot do a job for which you would otherwise be paid and simply forfeit the money.

FOR-PROFIT ORGANIZATIONS

You cannot work for a private sports league, dance school, company, school, or other institution that profits from its client.

WORSHIP ATTENDANCE

Attendance to your weekly worship service does not count.

ASSISTING WITH SPORTS AT MC

Helping with MC sports clinics, camps, or other sporting events at MC without prior approval from the administration does not count.

WORSHIP PARTICIPATION

LITURGICAL SERVICE

If you are an active leader in your worship service, such as lector, altar server, Eucharistic Minister, you may receive 1 hour for every three Masses at which you serve. You may not exceed 5 hours in total with this form of service. Someone in authority (priest, parish administrator, music director, etc.) at your parish must verify your service.

BASIC REQUIREMENTS

FRESHMEN

- 15 hours of direct service
- Hours entered into MobileServe
- Reflection paper at end of year submitted to theology teacher

SOPHOMORES

- 25 hours of direct service
- Hours entered into MobileServe
- Reflection paper at end of year submitted to theology teacher

JUNIORS

- 35 hours of direct service
- Hours entered into MobileServe
- Reflection paper at end of year submitted to theology teacher

HOW DO I COMPLETE MY SERVICE?

CHOOSE A PLACE TO VOLUNTEER

Choose a place that works with those on the margins, is a non-profit, and allows you to have some direct contact with the clientele.

PERFORM THE SERVICE

Contact the organization; set up a time to do your work; go and perform the service.

LOG THE HOURS

When you have completed your hours, go on to mobileserve.com and enter the hours you have worked. Your theology teacher will approve or reject these hours throughout the school year.

COMMON QUESTIONS

CAN I VOLUNTEER AT MORE THAN ONE PLACE?

Yes, you can. You can volunteer with as many organizations as you would like.

CAN MY FAMILY MEMBERS VERIFY MY SERVICE?

No, they cannot. You cannot work directly for a family member, nor can they be the supervisor for any service opportunity. If a family member works at or is affiliated with the agency, someone else must verify your service.

DOES MY SUMMER SERVICE COUNT?

If you have a question about whether your summer service fits the MC parameters for service, please email Mrs. Connolly prior to beginning the service.

CAN I DO MY SERVICE OVER THE SUMMER?

Freshmen: all hours done during the school year
Sophomores and Juniors: Up to 10 (Soph) or 15 (Jr) hours of service can be counted towards your yearly requirement. You may begin summer service on, but not before, **the end of the previous school year.**

WHAT ABOUT SERVICE AT MC?



SERVICE FOR MC

You may do up to 5 hours of service for MC. Service for MC refers to anything that helps keep the doors open.

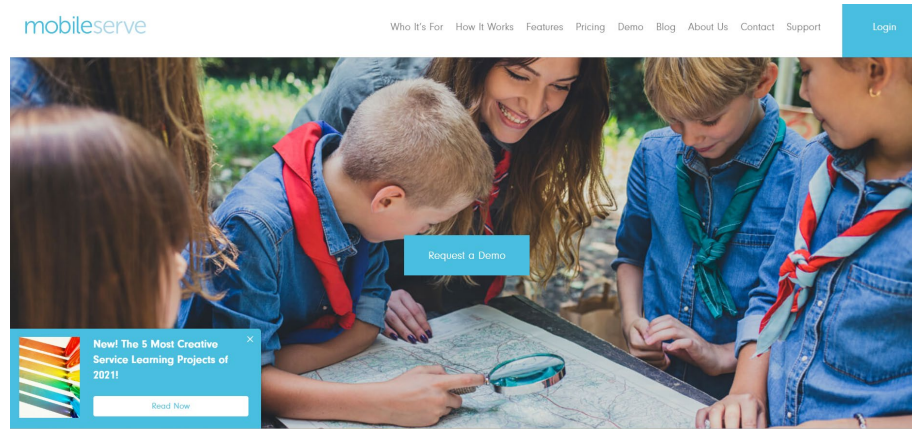
- Examples:
 - Admission Events
 - The Gala
 - Work for the Advancement Office

If MC does things for the betterment of others your participation in these services gives you unlimited hours.

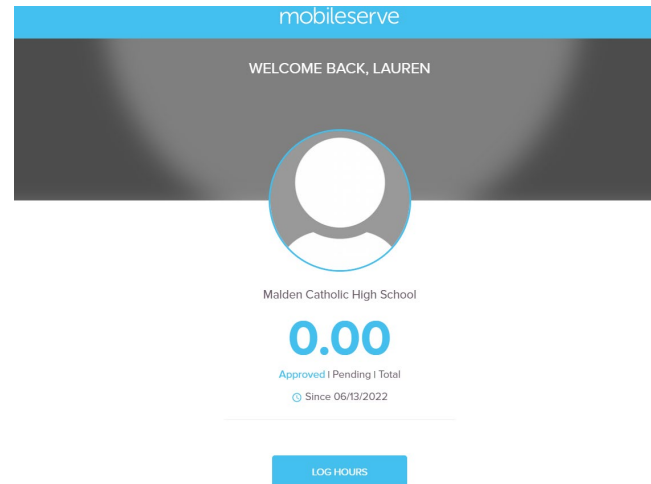
- Examples:
 - Campus Ministry events
 - Charity drives
 - Walks
 - Work with outside organizations

HOW TO USE MOBILESERVE

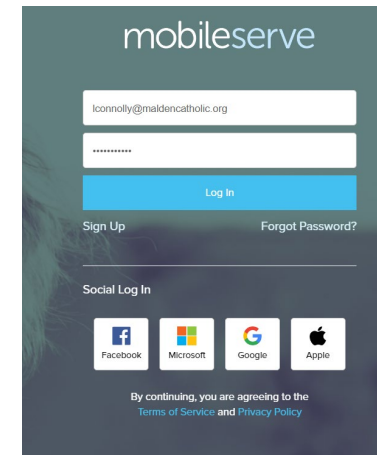
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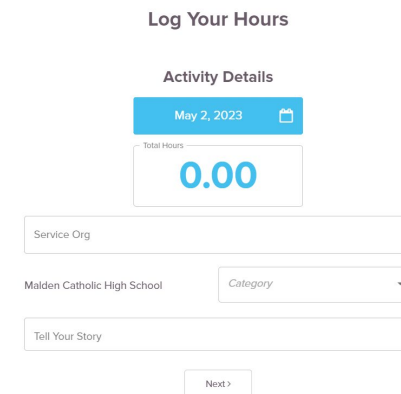
CLICK ON LOG HOURS



LOG IN WITH YOUR MC EMAIL



ENTER ALL REQUESTED INFORMATION



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QUESTIONS?



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