

# Most Frequently Asked Questions About our St. Jude of the Lake SERVE-A-THON

## When is our SERVE-A-THON?

Our SERVE-A-THON will take place on **Friday, October 27, 2023**. Our month-long calendar will kick-off on Friday September 29, 2023 at 2:30pm.

## How does a SERVE-A-THON work?

A SERVE-A-THON is a SERVICE & FUNdraising effort. Starting right after the kick-off event, **students are asked to reach out to family and friends asking them for pledges and donations to help our school**. During the month of October, each class will be participating in **30-Days of Random Acts of Kindness** and preparing for a daily service opportunity. On the day of the event, all classes will be “sharing their blessings” out in the community.

## What will the students be doing during the SERVE-A-THON?

Each class will be participating in **30-Days of Random Acts of Kindness** and will decide, as a class, on any other service opportunity they would like to participate in. The final service activity will be an all-school community event.

## What should my student wear for SERVE-A-THON on Friday, October 27, 2023?

Please have your student dress in their uniform or St. Jude of the Lake School Serve-A-Thon t-shirt (provided) with uniform bottoms.

## How much time will the students be devoting to the SERVE-A-THON?

We have devoted part of each day to working on our random acts of kindness. The time spent on each community service project will vary, there might be some preparations to do done beforehand but the activities will not impact their core subjects learning time.

## What is the St. Jude of the Lake School Blessing Box?

As a school and parish, the idea of the Blessing Box is that anyone who passes by it, that is down on their luck, can take what they need to get through the day. The box will be filled with non-perishable food and personal hygiene items. This is not a food shelf. Tough luck hits everyone at one time or another, sometimes only lasting a day or two. Each classroom will be assigned and responsible for 1-month to make sure the box is taken care of and has plenty of “blessings” to share. They will also write personal notes and decorate prayer cards. We want to stress to our students that showing little and random acts of kindness really can make a huge difference in someone’s life.

## Do we have a FUNdraising goal in mind?

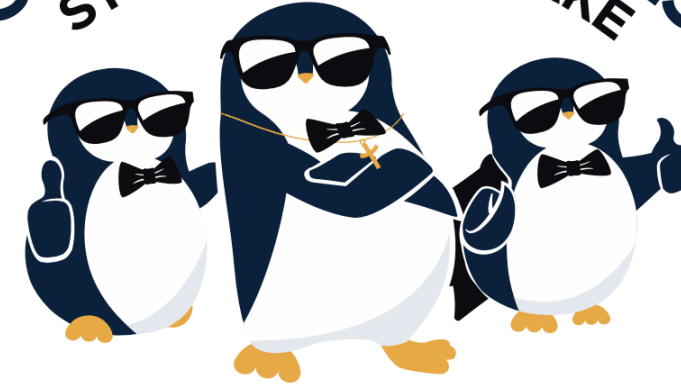
We would love to raise \$15,000. Please keep in mind that donations can be made on-line, in person, or through the mail. Payments of cash, check, charge, or stock are welcome. Another great way to hit and exceed our goal would be if your company offers an employer match program.

## What does the money go towards?

The money we raise go towards tuition assistance and items on the school wish list. This year we are working toward sport uniforms and additional equipment.

## SERVICE & FUNdraiser Project

**SERVE-A-THON 2023**  
ST. JUDE OF THE LAKE



**LICENSE TO SERVE**

**7th Annual**



**St. Jude**  
OF THE LAKE  
CATHOLIC SCHOOL

**SERVE-A-THON**

**St. Jude of the Lake Catholic School** invites you to join us for our 7th Annual SERVE-A-THON on **Friday, October 27, 2023**, coinciding with the Feast Day of St. Jude. We start things off on **Friday, September 29, 2023**, with a celebratory Kick-Off.

**In our effort to make great disciples and develop Christ-likeness in each of our students, we believe active participation in service is a critical part of our students’ learning experience.** Our SERVE-A-THON is a vital part of nurturing Christ-like qualities in our students. We believe active service is integral to their education, providing practical applications of classroom teachings. Over the years, our students have engaged in various service projects, investing their time, talents, and treasure to impact our community and beyond.

This year our students will participate in a school-wide project as well as preparing items for the **Blessing Box** that we sponsor throughout the year. Again this year, our school project is a daily **Random Acts of Service calendar** in which each day presents a different prayerful service opportunity that is designed to cause a powerful ripple effect of joy in the lives of others.

**As a school community, we hope you will consider support of our school financially.** This is the only **FUN-draising** activity our school does that seeks out sponsored donations.

**When our students share their gifts with others, they are putting their faith into action, being doers and not just hearers; serving others, not just themselves.** I look forward to all that God will do in the life of our school through service, not only financially, but in the lives that we will touch. Please keep our school, students, and the lives that we will touch in your prayers.

In Christ and Prayer-  
Carrie Hackman, Principal

**God Bless you and your families!**

# 30 Days of Random Acts of Kindness

In-School Activities during September - October 2023

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
24	25	26	27	28	29 Serve-A-Thon kick-off at 2:30pm in the gym Decorate Thank You Banner for Church Pop-Up	30 Parish pop-up 4:30pm
1 Parish Pop-Up after 9am & 11am Masses	2 Make paper sunflower bouquets for Encore, St. Andrew's & Hospice Center	3 Make Staff & Parent Appreciation Day Cards	4 Special intention prayers for basket	5 Letters to the women and men in service	6 Rosary Pilgrimage Field Trip - Grades 3-8	7
8	9 Spiritual Bouquets to the St. Paul seminarians, Matthee Fitzsimmons & Joe Wappes	10 Teach a buddy a new skill/game/craft	11 Teach a buddy a new skill/game/craft	12 Special intention prayers for basket	13 Trash pick-up/weeding/raking the campus	14
15	16 Trash pick-up/weeding/raking the campus	17 Class - Sprinkle Kindness Everywhere	18 No School	19 No School	20 No School	21
22	23 Decorate white bags for Blessing Box	24 Decorate white bags for Blessing Box	25 Filling Blessing Bags & Special prayer intentions for the basket	26 Food Shelf - Class - Sprinkle Kindness Everywhere - St. Jude Project	27 Feast day of Saint Jude Serve-A-Thon ALL DAY Event! Blessing Box Prayer	28

## Donation Wishlist by Grade

All donations will go to our ongoing school wide service project, **The Blessing Box**, and our 2023 Random Acts Of Service Project.

St. Jude Discovery Center	Bar soap
Kindergarten	Toothbrushes & toothpaste
1st grade	Hand warmers
2nd grade	Socks (child or adult sizes)
3rd grade	Combs/brushes
4th grade	Deodorant
5th grade	Travel size hand lotion
6th grade	Gloves/mittens
7th grade*	Men & Womens Underwear (all sizes)*
8th grade	Dental Floss

**There will be bins available outside of all classrooms, the school office, and church gather space.**

The bags will be put together during our Serve-A-Thon event on Friday, October 27th starting at 1:30pm. Please feel free to contact your student's classroom teacher with any additional questions.

We have divided up our donation wish list by class. However, please feel free to donate any of the items regardless of grade assignment.

**\*7th Grade's Requested Items:**  
Special Request from St. Joseph's Coat: We urgently need Small, Medium, & Large sizes in both men's and women's briefs. Please scan the QR code to help provide these essential items.

\*Men's Style briefs:



\*Women's Style briefs:



# SERVE-A-THON 2023

## St. Jude of the Lake

Support our Students & School!



To Donate Online, visit:

<https://bit.ly/SATfundraising2023>  
Choose Serve-A-Thon in the dropdown menu.



Or use the Pledge Form Insert.

Make checks payable to St. Jude of the Lake School.  
Ask your employer if they will match donation.

All pledge sheets must be turned in by November 10, 2023.

All Donations Are Tax Deductible.



## Serve-A-Thon T-Shirt Days

Wear your  
Serve-A-Thon T-Shirt  
w/ UNIFORM bottoms

Friday, September 29

Fridays, October 6, 13, 27

★ MEA Weekend! Oct 18-22: ★ Wear your Serve-A-Thon T-Shirt out in the world during MEA break and have your parents email a photo to [socialmedia@stjudeofthelake.org](mailto:socialmedia@stjudeofthelake.org) for a chance to win one of three Spirit Wear sweatshirts! By Email submission only!

Unless parents have indicated otherwise, photos will be used on social media at a future date.



Can you help Snowflake find the fish for Serve-A-Thon?

★ Turn in your maze outside the office for a chance to win a prize during the daily raffle!

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Grade: \_\_\_\_\_

