

## Project 1000 – Level 1 Confirmation Service Project

Every year, the Level 1 students raise money for and help stuff 1000 stockings. The stockings are sent down to the Christian Appalachian Project and are distributed to needy families, generally with the assistance of the local churches and the St. Aloysius Youth Ministry team.

We ask each student to hand write 10 letters on the attached stationery. Every stocking will include one of these letters.

*Often this is the only gift the children receive!*

The youth ministry team has the following feedback regarding the letters:

- DO NOT USE YOUR LAST NAME OR INCLUDE ANY CONTACT INFORMATION
- The children, who receive the stockings, LOVE these letters.
- These children in Appalachia get very excited about a new toothbrush & toothpaste, a box of Band-Aids and a “full size” candy bar, all things we take for granted.

### **What should I write about?**

- Write about your family!
- Many of the families have dogs and other animals so if you have a pet please talk about it!
- The children in Kentucky do not have & cannot afford video games so please do not talk about your video games or your cell phones/computers.
- Write about your favorite TV show
- Write about school & your favorite subjects

## What should I write about? cont.

- Few children play sports so please DO NOT talk about your sports
- Write about your favorite Bible story
- Do you have a favorite Saint, maybe the Saint you studied in 4<sup>th</sup> grade? Tell them about this Saint.

- Make the letters look **festive**. Write with nice markers or draw a little picture.
- Handwrite & decorate the letters, please do not use the computer!
- DO NOT write one letter and photocopy it nine times!!
- If you write all 10 letters and turn them in on time, you will receive 30 minutes of Parish Service.
- **Please ask your parents to read your letters for you before you turn them in.**

**Project 1,000 letters** are due to your catechist by **Monday, October 14<sup>th</sup>**. They can also be dropped off in the parish office or in the specially marked box in the back of the church the weekend of October 5 & 6 when we are manning the doors for our Project 1,000 collections.

**Our Project 1,000 Collections** will be the **weekend of October 5 & 6**. Level 1 students are needed at all of the Masses. Sign up is at Track it Forward.

**Project 1000** is **Wednesday, October 23<sup>rd</sup>** from 6:45-8:30 pm. Please let your coach, dance instructor or other activity leaders know that you will not be there that evening because you have a mandatory church commitment.

If you have any questions about attendance at the event, please contact Mrs. Osterndorf, [confirmation@starcc.com](mailto:confirmation@starcc.com) or 203-652-1173.