



Queen of Angels

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“To stretch [the children’s] intellects, to make them classicists, to form budding scientists and mathematicians, to give them academic excellence will have no worth unless they are also integrated, committed, respecting, loving, and caring individuals.”

Margaret Stephenson, Cosmic Education

Upper Elementary Service Program

Part of the Level III (upper elementary) atrium experience is a service component. This originated when we offered a service day during the final week of atrium one year and the 9-12 year old children responded very enthusiastically to the experience. In fact, when soliciting ideas from the children for atrium, one of the first things they mentioned was the opportunity for service outings.

As children move into adolescence, the desire for service becomes a more and more important characteristic of their spiritual needs. We have found this to be true with our middle school students, and for this reason have established a monthly service program, in which the students spend an entire afternoon at a local agency in service to their mission and clients.

For the upper elementary, we gradually develop the children’s service experience over the course of three years, as follows:

- **6th graders:** Five service days per year, one in each of the following months: November, January, March, May and June.
- **5th graders:** Four service days per year, one in each of the following months: January, March, May and June.
- **4th graders:** Three service days per year, one in each of the following months: March, May and June.

The children go to one of three local agencies: Rose Garden Mission, the Madisonville, Education and Assistance Center, or Starfire U. on the following dates. They are able to indicate their preference as to where to go (although children are not guaranteed to get their first pick). A brief description of each agency follows:

Rose Garden Mission

1800 Madison Ave. Covington. KY 41014.
Mother Seraphina. (859) 491-7673.

Clientele: Poor, people in need.

Work: Assembling food and care packages for the poor; serving the poor directly; assisting Franciscan sisters with various tasks. Very friendly place for students to work.

Starfire U.

5030 Oaklawn Dr. 45227 www.starfireu.org
Krista Clinebell (281-2100 ext. 104) Krista@starfirecouncil.org
Candice Jones, Community Coordinator,
Rachel Mecklenborg, Volunteer Coordinator

Clientele: Adults 18-30 with developmental disabilities (autism, Down Syndrome, etc.).

Work: Help with community service projects (arts and crafts, cooking/baking). Members of Starfire U. also host luncheons.

Madisonville Education and Assistance Center

Jessica Wabblers (Executive Director), 233-2498 (home); 379-8695 (cell); 271-5501 x 12
4600 Erie Avenue; Office Phone: 513-271-5501; Pantry Phone: 513-271-2215

meac1@fuse.net

www.meaconline.org

Clientele: Poor individuals, families. MEAC serves the poor who reside in Madisonville and surrounding areas.

Work: Stocking shelves for food pantry; sorting clothing for clothing closet to distribute to clients; assist with mailing center's newsletter; filling backpacks with items to distribute to children.