

We are continuing to uncover the ways by which others can see our deep commitment to Jesus Christ as faith-filled Catholics. The disciple James encourages us to go beyond *speaking* about being faithful people; he teaches us to *demonstrate* our faith. This past week some of our Eighth Graders shared the ways they are living their faith:

“I have shown my faith by holding doors for people along with helping people out when serving Mass for my church community.” Kylie Howe

“I have respected those who have not respected me.” Shannon Capasso

“To live my faith, I will try my best to pray for everyone who needs to be prayed for, help around my neighborhood whenever I can, and be a great example to all the younger kids in my school.” Anonymous

“When we were driving, there was a man in a wheelchair walking his dog, but he was bent over his wheelchair and wasn’t moving. I was worried so my Mom pulled over to help. We found out he had an upper body problem and my Mom and another man helped lift him up. We helped someone that day and I’m very proud!” Rachel Carl

“I have helped people by giving away my old clothes to the poor. I have given them money and food. Whenever I see a box for kids or charity, I put money in it.” Emily Wilkening

“For the last 3 years I have been participating in the New Jersey Special Olympics. I help out by helping those with disabilities play the sports that I play. All people should have the same chance to participate in sports.” Phillip Africa

“Since my Pop-Pop died, my Mom-Mom is very lonely. Every month, I go visit her and keep her company.” Isabel Mahan

“I will help others by donating my time making care packages for soldiers and helping the younger children. I will go to Mass and continue Altar Serving.” Julianna Abel

“When I was getting my uniform for school, there was a lady with a baby in a stroller at the top of the steps. I ran up and asked if she needed help and she said, ‘Yes, please!’ I carried the baby in the stroller down 15 steps. She said, ‘Thank you and God Bless you.’ I also do a lot of other nice things like hold the door and help anyone.” Brandon Birkhead

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