

MLK Jr. Day of Service 2020 What Are You Doing for Others? Sponsored by:

The African American Commission and Office of Cultural Diversity Catholic Diocese of Buffalo

You are invited to make MLK a Day on instead of a day off. We prefer the Day of Service to be January 20, 2020 but can be done anywhere between January 12-26, 2020

How to begin???

Invite your youth group or any of the societies at your parish or simply inviting people who are interested in serving at your parish.

<u>Choose Project Coordinator</u> will facilitate planning meetings, brainstorm ideas, recruit volunteers, etc. Create a schedule or timeline on what needs to be done in order to complete the project.

<u>Next Select a Project:</u> Project ideas can come from many places: work in your own parish, for your parishioners who are in need of help with a project, in local agencies, neighborhood, schools etc. Help your volunteers or group or association identify the project they want to work on. Things you may want to consider when choosing your project:

- Does the project serve a real need in the community?
- Can you accomplish it in one day?
- Will the project be meaningful to the volunteers?
- Does the activity have strong media appeal?
- Will bad weather derail the project?
- Will the place you choose be open on MLK day?
- Will you involve people of diverse cultures?

Project ideas:

Help prepare meals at a homeless shelter, clean up a public place, collect clothing, canned goods, collect hotel toiletries or other items for a shelter or baby ministry, fix or paint something that needs to be done at the parish,

Make cheery crafts or cards or blankets for children in a hospital or residents of nursing homes, Visit the sick or shut-ins.

Send us your registration form by January 13, 2020.

MLK Day of Service Project Registration Form

| Name of Parish: | |
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| Address: | |
| City: | |
| Project Coordinator: | |
| Name: | |
| Phone: | |
| Email: | |
| Name of Service Project: | |
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| Name of people participating in the Project: Please attach a list of all those participating in the project. | |
| Please complete and send by fax to (716) 847-2206 | |
| Attention: Office of Cultural Diversity – Diocese of Buffalo | |
| Or Mail to | |
| Office of Cultural Diversity – Diocese of Buffalo | |
| 795 Main Street Buffalo, NY 14203 | |
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Thank you in advance to listening to this call to serve.