



**On the way to
Summer Work Camp
July 4-10**

January 6, 2010

Dear Parents,

For many years, Sister Linda has been hoping that St. C's would offer a "work camp" experience for our youth. For many reasons, this project has been put on the back burner. A few months ago Sister Linda asked parishioners to step up and form "think tanks" for many areas of ministries. Richelene Morey, Jackie Evansky, Sharie Blydenburgh, Jane Sorko, and Krista Gangsaa joined with Sister and me to discuss the area of Youth/Service.

After two meetings and much research on the possibilities of planning a "work camp" experience, we have found a great trip to offer to our rising (2010) 7th graders and up. There were many reasons that this particular camp jumped out to us.

- The camp includes rising 7th graders and up. All our youth would have the opportunity to attend our first experience.
- The location of this camp is Charlotte, NC. I know the hosting school and the area very well.
- Parents are invited to come and have the same experience.

This packet will answer many of the questions you might have. The web site is very easy to use and I encourage you to visit the web page. Definitely click on "In the News" and check out the news stories from around the United States about the work of the Catholic Heart Work camp participants.

Being that this is our first experience of this kind, there are some details which will need to be worked out, hopefully with your input. (Transportation, fundraising to help cover 50% of the cost for each participant.) First, we need to see if there is any interest. Please check out this packet and visit the website. Then let us know if this is something you would consider for your youth and /or as an adult chaperone. In order to make sure there are spaces open, we need your response within two weeks. We hope to learn from this experience if St. C's is interested in pursuing more camp and/or mission experiences for all ages.

A \$75.00 nonrefundable deposit with the registration form is required to lock in a space. Each camper and adult participant will be responsible for 50% of the cost of the camp and a transportation cost to be determined. (\$315.00 is the camp fee/less the registration deposit.)

The Youth/Service Ministry Team is very excited about this trip and look forward to planning more service opportunities for our youth in our local areas when they return.

Peace!

St. C's Youth Service Think Tank