

Sample Letter

Dear _____

The past several years' students from Our Lady of the Lakes, Holy Rosary, St. Mary's Lake Church, Immaculate Conception and St. Peter's and St. Mary's in Port Washington participated in a very powerful, spiritual event, which changed their lives forever. They attended Catholic Heart work camps in different areas of the United States. This summer, I too would like to join their efforts to help others less fortunate than I in **Knoxville or St. Louis, MO**

While at camp I understand that we will be helping the less fortunate. Some of the projects may include visiting the elderly in nursing homes, working in a daycare, painting, cleaning homes, and yard work. At the end of the day, we will all meet together for an evening program to reflect upon our day, the friends we met, and how we saw God working in our lives.

This trip will take place in July. We will travel to **Knoxville or St. Louis** by bus and every evening we will sleep on the floor of school classrooms. We have been fund raising to attend this camp. The money we raise will be used for food, lodging, tools, building supplies, musicians, transportation and chaperones. The total trip to **Knoxville or St. Louis** will cost approximately **(\$700 for Knoxville or \$500.00 for St. Louis) per person.** Despite our best efforts to sell stock, bus tables at Pizza Ranch, make and sell soup and organize a spaghetti dinner and pancake breakfast, we are still in need of funds. Would you consider making a fully tax-deductible contribution to help us reach our goal? Your contribution would be helping me get to **Knoxville or St. Louis** to help the less fortunate people. If you are able to help out financially, please make your checks out to "Youth Ministry" and return them in the enclosed self-addressed envelope by December 15th. Thank you in advance for helping make it possible for me to attend this work camp.

Sincerely,