



service
community
prayer



Dignity
Justice



Respect
Solidarity

Culture of Encounter

"Whenever we encounter another person
in love, we learn something new about
God."

- Pope Francis



**"We achieve fulfilment when we break
down walls and our heart is filled with
faces and names!"**

A few reasons for service-immersion...

**Meet Christ . Kinship . Encounter . Solidarity
Finding Purpose . Empathy . Faith in Action**



Our Mission

The Agape Service Project fosters service, community, & prayer as participants encounter Christ and uphold the dignity of our migrant brothers & sisters.



Serve 3 Groups under 1 Mission

Farmworkers of Whatcom County

- Direct services:
 - Food bank & food delivery
 - Increased access to health & human services
 - Summer enrichment for children
 - College scholarships
- Uphold dignity of an often invisible population

Middle & High School Youth

- Tangible faith-in-action experiences
- Meet Christ in people, prayer, & gift of self
- Their passions for a better world have a place in the Church
- They have an individual purpose

Young Adults

- Formation in missionary discipleship & servant leadership
- Tangible faith-in-action summer
- Daily experience of prayer & service
- Crash-course in professional lay ministry/non-profit

Summer 2022 Quick Facts

- Culturally-appropriate items served in a bilingual (Spanish-English) setting
- 439 families served on average weekly at both food distribution & food bank
- 111 Youth & adult Agape participants from 7 parishes/schools
- 325 backpacks fully stocked with school supplies distributed
- 40,546 diapers distributed at the Agape Food Bank & Tuesday distribution
- 575 lbs of carnitas served at 5 weeks of the Agape Food Bank taco stand





Agape Food Bank

Set up & run food bank that serves the farmworker community; 2nd food delivery during week



Mutually-Beneficial Service

Summer Enrichment for Children

Build relationships with children of farmworkers through recreational & educational activities



Support Just Agriculture

Support Whatcom County farms that are working towards a just & organic agriculture system



Catholic Social Teaching

Daily programming roots our work in the social teachings of our Catholic faith.



Pray . Learn . Reflect

Daily Reflections

Take time to process the experiences and how it connects to daily life.



Prayer & the Eucharist

Start & end every day connecting with Christ as our reason for our service. Celebrate Mass & Adoration throughout the week.

Agape Logistics

Staff - 6 staff lead and guide the entire week; Everything is covered - service projects, programming, reflections, meals, lodging

- Youth are exposed to the faith & witness of college servant leaders

Cost - \$400/youth + \$500 group fee

- Adults are FREE!

Registration: Opens October 18

Tool Kit & Preparation Support - Resources for promotion, formation, & planning; support to make it as easy as possible for YMs/group leaders

**We take care of logistics,
you get to focus on your youth**



Tentative Week Snapshot

Sunday: arrive to Bellingham at 3pm, intro/community building, BBQ & activities at camp for farmworkers families, opening prayer & reflection

Monday: volunteer farm work, community building, prep for food bank, activities for kids at farmworker housing

Tuesday: volunteer farm work, delivery of food boxes & activities at camps for farmworkers

Wednesday (Food Bank Day): Set up & run the food bank, Adoration

Thursday: Mass, advocacy work, concluding session, depart before lunch

Everyday: prayer, formation & reflection



A vibrant field of sunflowers with bright yellow petals and dark brown centers, set against a clear blue sky. The sunflowers are in various stages of bloom, and their green leaves are visible at the bottom. The background shows a line of trees under a bright sky.

Contact & Questions?

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