



SERVICE TO OTHERS

"Your spirit is a spirit of charity which makes you wear yourselves out in the service of your neighbor."
— St. Vincent DePaul

"Love your neighbor as yourself" is the second of the two great commandments that Jesus taught. It calls every Christian to a commitment to action. The commitment of concern and care for others is an integral part of the charism of the Sisters of Charity and the Mount community has influenced attitudes and activities on campus since the founding of the College.

Through the years Mount students and faculty have responded both individually and as an institution to the needs of others both locally and beyond. Distributing Christmas baskets filled with food and toys for needy families and responding to the needs of local seniors have been some of the Mount's demonstrated in culture of caring in our Cincinnati area. Students also might be found caring for the elderly, poor of their home on Saturdays in our city Bible Center, and volunteered during their summers in a number of areas. Graduates served as lay missionaries and Extension lay volunteers.

For a number of years, students held the annual "Job-Ten" to benefit local charities such as Working in Neighborhoods, Tom Geiger House and S.S.A.V. Service to Area Youth. In recent years students have worked on service projects such as Habitat for Humanity and Peoples Service Day. Students volunteer their time and talents during annual service trips to New Orleans and rural Kentucky, and through a variety of opportunities available with the Service Learning program – part of their academic curriculum. Because of the Mount's commitment to service, learning occurs on a variety of levels – intellectually, emotionally, relationally, and spiritually. Relationship building is at the core of all service at the Mount.

COLLEGE OF MOUNT ST. JOSEPH
MISSION & HERITAGE DISPLAY

30" x 40"

COLLEGE OF MOUNT ST. JOSEPH COMMUNITY SERVICE

18" x 24"

Class of '44

COLLEGE OF MOUNT ST. JOSEPH

11" x 14"

DIVERSITY OF CULTURE AND BELIEFS

"This motherhood of Mary in the order of grace continues uninterrupted. . . . By her maternal charity she cares for the followers of her Son, who still journey on earth surrounded by dangers and difficulties."
— Lumen Gentium 62

Encouraging a wide range of cultures, viewpoints and experiences is an essential part of a liberal arts education. Our Christian values call us to create a welcoming spirit toward people of all cultures and beliefs. This kind of learning environment challenges students to examine their own beliefs and broadens a student's openness toward the world around them. It becomes an avenue for building a more inclusive community.

From its inception the Mount has strived to foster this environment by inviting speakers to campus and promoting student involvement in the mission activities of the church, thus raising awareness of our global responsibilities as Christians and citizens of the world. In the 1920s, when the Sisters of Charity opened a hospital and orphanage in China, the students at the Mount became involved in mission-related activities. In the post-World War II period, the Mount began to welcome students from other countries and encouraged students to undergo of exchange courses. By the 1950s Black students enrolled at the College, as well as an increased number of foreign students. More recently, students have had opportunities to experience diverse cultures and beliefs by travel abroad and cultural immersion trips. The immersion trips began in 1981 when students traveled to Argentina, Montevideo, Chile, Costa Rica, Canada, New Delhi (South India), Lima (Peru), Mexico City, and Ireland.

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30" x 40"

COLLEGE OF MOUNT ST. JOSEPH GLOBAL PERSPECTIVE

18" x 24"

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11" x 14"