

# Works of Mercy

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The works of mercy are charitable actions by which we come to the aid of our neighbor's spiritual and bodily necessities. There are Spiritual and Corporal Works of Mercy.

## **Spiritual Works of Mercy**

The Spiritual Works of Mercy are acts of compassion by which we help our neighbors with their emotional and spiritual needs.

1. To instruct the ignorant.
2. To counsel the doubtful.
3. To admonish sinners.
4. To bear patiently those who wrong us.
5. To forgive offenses.
6. To console the afflicted.
7. To pray for the living and the dead.

## **Corporal Works of Mercy**

The Corporal Works of Mercy are these kind acts by which we help our neighbors with their material and physical needs.

1. To feed the hungry.
2. To give drink to the thirsty.
3. To clothe the naked.
4. To shelter the homeless.
5. To visit the sick.
6. To visit the imprisoned.
7. To bury the dead.