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There are many acts of service and kindness that I have done for others in my life. I love showing and using my talents to serve others and the community .

One of the main acts of stewardship includes going caroling for the sisters of MSJ and Oldenburg Academy, as well as residents of nursing homes. Every year during the Christmas season, I prepare a piece of music for the piano and the trumpet to help lift the spirits of those who are disabled or are just becoming frail and lonely, and I enjoy serving and making them feel loved. My family and I always talk to them afterwards, and learn about them. It always makes them smile to see and hear us.

The second act of kindness I do for my community is helping my parish and school. Every Christmas for the past three years, I have played my trumpet for the 8 o'clock Mass. It really makes the music for that Mass match the high spirits of Christmas. I also play violin for almost every Friday school Mass. I started playing last year, and I love serving my school as well as God. The next thing I do for my community is helping out at our Summer Festival. The past many years, my family and I have worked the chicken dinner. It always makes the people I serve smile to see me, and I am always very polite to them. My final act of stewardship is serving for Sunday Mass. Ever since fifth grade, I have served almost every Sunday Mass. It is a good way to serve God and the Church, and every time after Mass, people thank me and show very much appreciation.

I have also done many small acts of kindness in school and at home. I always try to be very respectful to my parents and my siblings. I try to help out whenever I can, whether it be plucking chickens with my dad, doing my chores, or scrubbing the floor. I also hold the door for people at school when they have walkers or when they are carrying books. I am also very respectful to my teachers. I try to be as helpful as I can to the people around me, whether it be helping my classmates understand their homework or running errands for my teachers.

I love being helpful and showing kindness within my community and parish. It is amazing seeing the appreciation and happiness on the faces of those who I help and care for. I will continue to do these acts because I know that every act of kindness, big or small, helps me get to Heaven!