Application

for

Saint John Society

Volunteer Missionaries

Year of Mission

In the New Evangelization

Applicant Information

First Name _____ Last Name _____

Preferred Name: _____

Gender: Male ☐ Female ☐ Date of birth: (mm/dd/yy)

Phone: _____ Email: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ ZIP: _____

Education

College or University Attended: _____

Major Field of Study: _____

Minor Field of Study: _____

Degree Obtained (or in process): _____

Degree Completed? Yes ☐ No ☐

Expected Graduation Date: _____(mm/yyyy)

Faith and Sacraments

Have I been baptized in the Catholic Church? _____ Date of baptism: _____

Place of baptism: _____

Have I been confirmed in the Catholic Church? _____ Date of Confirmation: _____

Place of Confirmation: _____

Do I regularly attend Mass on Sundays and Holy Days of Obligation? _____

Do I meet the obligation to go to confession at least once a year? _____

Name of Campus Ministry if you have participated in one: _____

Where do I regularly attend Mass?_____

Name of priest at my regular parish: _____

Background and Recommendations

Have you ever been convicted of a criminal offense? Yes ☐ No ☐

If yes, what was the nature of the offense? _____

What was the date of the offense? _____(mm/yyyy)

For this application,you will need recommendation letters from three people who know you,at least one of whom must be a priest. Please list below the names,phone number,and email address for each of your recommenders,as well as a note about your relationship to the person.

After submiting your applicarion, please download the recommendation form, send it to your references, ask them to complete it,and email it directly to us at ***vmprogram@socsj.org***

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Recommendation 1

Name: _____

Phone: _____ Email: _____

Position: _____ Place of Work: _____

For how long, and in what capacity, have you known this person? _____

_____

Recommendation 2

Name: _____

Phone: _____ Email: _____

Position: _____ Place of Work: _____

For how long, and in what capacity, have you known this person? _____

_____

Recommendation 3

Name: _____

Phone: _____ Email: _____

Position: _____ Place of Work: _____

For how long, and in what capacity, have you known this person? _____

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Applicant Commitments

SJS Volunteer Missionaries raise 100% of the cost of their living expenses. We need to understand the extent of the financial commitments you bring to the staff.

Do you have any debt? Yes ☐ No ☐

Are you currently making payments on your debt? Yes ☐ No ☐

If not, when will you begin? _____(mm/yyyy)

Are you willing to fundraise? Yes ☐ No ☐

Being a SJS Volunteer Missionary is about making a total commitment to both one's spiritual and personal growth, as well as that of the programs. Missionaries must invest their lives in their service. We ask that missionaries make a 10-month commitment to the mission and be willing to serve in whatever capacity is asked of them.

We also ask our missionaries to take an Oath of Fidelity to the Catholic Church, indicating their desire and intention always to speak and teach in accord with what the Church proclaims. To be effectively prepared for mission work, all missionaries must attend volunteer missionary training and dedicate themselves to their personal support-raising efforts.

I am willing to make a 10-month commitment to serve as a volunteer missionary.
Initials: _____

I am willing to take an oath of fidelity to the Catholic Church.
Initials: _____

I am able to attend all the volunteer missionary training. (Date TBD)
Initials: _____

I am willing to devote myself during the summer to my personal support raising.
Initials: _____

Professional and Ministry Experience

If you have, please share a brief overview of your professional experience. Please share any ministry-related leadership roles you have held. Examples may include student leadership, program teams, parish leadership, or retreat leadership.

Preferred Location

Please rank the four locations below from 1 (Most Preferred) to 4 (Least Preferred) by entering a number in each box.

Location Options & Ministry Tracks

Corvallis, Oregon – SSJ VM Corvallis

- Primary Track: OSU College Campus Ministry
- Secondary Track: High School Ministry (Cenaculo Program)

Rank: 1

Portland, Oregon – SSJ VM PDX

- Primary Track: Homeless Ministry
- Secondary Track: PSU Campus Ministry, Young Adult Ministry, High School Ministry (Cenaculo Program)

Rank: 1

Washington, D.C. – SSJ VM Washington, DC

- Primary Track: AU College Campus Ministry
- Secondary Track: High School Ministry (Cenaculo Program)

Rank: 1

Stirling, Scotland – SSJ VM Stirling

- Track: College Campus Ministry AU College Campus Ministry

Rank: 1

Brief Explanation (Required)

Please provide a short explanation (2-4 sentences) describing why you selected your No. 1 location.

Please note: SJS cannot guarantee placement in your top location choice: however, your preferences will help guide the placement process and ensure the best possible fit.

Personal Assessment

1-5 selection for each (5 being the most, 1 being the least)

I follow through with responsibility and commitment	1
I am a leader to others	1
I follow peer leadership	1
I have the ability to listen to opinions contrary to my own	1
I am responsible	1
I am dependable	1
I have self-control	1
I have a cooperative, friendly, and courteous disposition	1
My peers respect me	1
I am organized and efficient	1
I have initiative and self-motivation	1
I am comfortable with public speaking	1
I am passionate about evangelization	1
I am trustworthy	1
I can empathize with others	1
I have charisma and am outgoing toward people I don't know	1
I can find common ground with others	1

From the list above, discuss one strength and one area that needs improvement.

Short Essay

Based on the following questions, write an essay (500-750 words):

- Please explain why you are interested in becoming a volunteer missionary.
- Please describe your short-term and long-term goals, including educational, professional, and personal objectives.
- How has your relationship with Jesus Christ changed in the past six months?
- Have you lived in community in the past? If so, how was the experience for you? How do you feel about living in an intentional Christian community? What challenges will community life afford you?
- Is there anything else you believe we should know or take into consideration about yourself?

By signing below, I certify that the information included in this application is true and accurate to the best of my knowledge and ability.

Signed: _____ Date: _____

Submit your application by sending it to ***vmprogram@socsj.org.***