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SIX YEARS OF SUPPORT FOR UNITED WAY THROUGH URSULINE COLLEGE KINGDOM ASSIGNMENT PROJECTS

The Ursuline College *Kingdom Assignment*, now in its sixth year, kicks off another year of giving, through its partnership with United Way Chatham-Kent. In just five years, the *Kingdom Assignment* has raised more than \$55,000 for United Way Chatham-Kent.

“Part of the mission of Catholic education is to help our students grow to become responsible citizens, formed in the Catholic faith,” says Deb Crawford, Superintendent of Education. “The *Kingdom Assignment* is an opportunity to teach young people the value of social justice and the important role they have as future community leaders.”

The *Kingdom Assignment* is based on the parable of the talents from the Gospel of Matthew. In the Scriptures, Jesus tells the story of three servants who are entrusted by their master to take charge over a sum of money. Two servants, who multiply what they have been given, are rewarded; while the third servant, who does nothing, is banished. The moral of the story is that we are to build up what God gives us to enhance His Kingdom.

Through the *Kingdom Assignment*, several groups of students from UCC and its 14 elementary partner schools, will each be given one hundred dollars, with three simple instructions:

1. It is not their money, but God’s.
2. They must use the money to do something outside the walls of the school to further God’s Kingdom.
3. They must return in January and report on what they did with the \$100.

“Our January assembly is always a great time of sharing,” says Mrs. Crawford. “It’s always fun and interesting to hear about the many clever and creative ways in which the students have helped to support the United Way and the people of Chatham-Kent.”

A commissioning ceremony for students involved in Kingdom Assignment 2013 will be held in the theatre at Ursuline College Chatham Catholic Secondary School, 85 Grand Avenue, W., Chatham at 11:00 a.m. on Wednesday, October 16, 2013.

Members of the media are welcome.