

Youth Ministry Formation Program

Are you a minister of youth in a parish or school setting?

This program is designed for you. It will provide you with a foundation in youth ministry in conjunction with the vision of the U.S. Bishop's documents. This formation in youth ministry will give you an opportunity for spiritual and professional formation, and for growth as a youth minister.

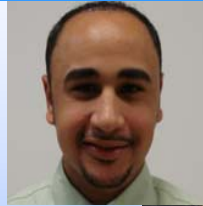
How would I benefit from this program ?

The purpose of this program is to provide:

- Preparation and training
- Support and networking
- Competence and confidence
- Affirmation of the call to youth ministry
- Spiritual nourishment

How will the youth benefit? **This program provides the fundamentals for developing a youth ministry program that enables youth to:**

- Nurture a Catholic identity that lives out discipleship
- Foster the development of spirituality
- Witness effective models and mentors
- Participate in effective ministry



Why Training and formation? "A comprehensive youth ministry program...includes the dimension of structured or formal catechesis. Coordinators of youth ministry therefore should have theological formation as well as competence and experience in catechesis. They should be able to lead and guide young people to grow in the knowledge of the Catholic faith in the practice of the faith in light of the principles of Christian morality and social justice in the celebration of the sacraments and in the development of their spiritual lives".

National Directory for Catechesis, 54.B.6(NDC)

Five Days/Ten Topics

1. Vision of Youth Ministry
2. Understanding Adolescents Today
3. Catechetical Methodology
4. Practices of Youth Ministry
5. Professional Practice
6. Catholic Identity and Community
7. Developing a Moral Compass
8. Fostering Justice and Service with Adolescents
9. Fostering Prayer with Adolescents
10. YM as Adult Believer and Catechist

Additional Requirements

(To be fulfilled before, during, or after the ten sessions)

- Completion of coursework with application to teens in parish
- Retreat experience
- Supervision in Parish
- Catechist Formation Levels 1 and II

Location – Dutchess County

St. Denis Church
602 Beekman Road

Hopewell Junction, NY 12533

9:00am-3:30pm

Day #1 Oct. 24, 2009

Day #2 Jan. 23, 2010

St. Mary, Mother of the Church

103 Jackson Street
Fishkill, NY 12524

9:00am-3:30

Day #3 Feb. 20, 2010

Day #4 Mar. 13, 2010

Day #5 June 5, 2010

Course fee

- \$20 per session /\$60 for books and materials
- \$260 for ten sessions, books and materials
- \$100 Deposit due with registration (Parish assistance may be available)

“The future of humanity is in the hands of those who are capable of providing coming generations with reasons for living and hoping.”

Gaudium et Spes



Who should attend this program?

Youth Ministry Coordinators, Prospective Youth Ministry Leaders, Directors of Religious Education, High School Campus Ministers, Youth Ministry Teams, Junior High Ministry Leaders, Catechists and Youth Retreat Coordinators

Contact us today to find out if this program is right for you:

Visit our website for more information
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Registration for Youth Ministry Formation Program

Mail completed registration form together with check payable to Catechetical Office to:

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Catechetical Office

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Name _____

Address _____

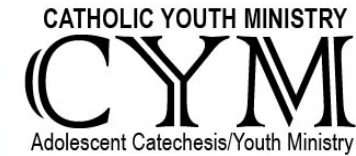
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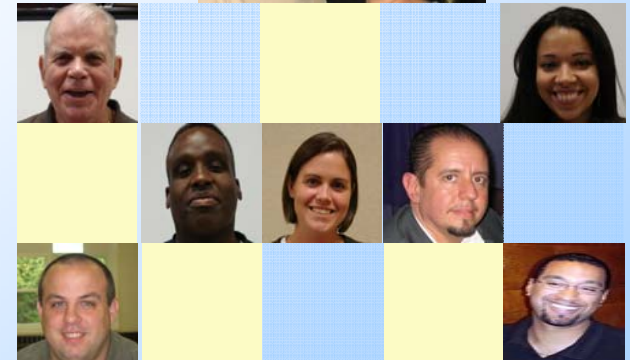
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A Basic Training Program
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