WELCOME

Dear Potential Youth Ministry Junior Core Member,

I'm glad that you are interested in serving in our youth ministry! I believe that solid ministry is built on relationships between adult volunteers and teens, with that being said having peers that were recently in the teens position will enhance these interactions. Relationships are key to teens feeling loved and accepted so that they can understand the love of God in practical ways. This is when real spiritual growth takes place in a teen's life.

Youth Ministry requires a substantial team of volunteers working at all levels – from Core members who lead small groups to support positions who setup environments and serve food. The challenge of our Youth Ministry is to access the wealth and diversity of resources within our parish so as to provide a meaningful and effective faith formation program for younger and older adolescents which engages their energy, imagination, curiosity, compassion and playful spirit in an exploration and engagement of our Catholic faith.

Thus, the quality of our youth ministry volunteers is very important. I am looking for young men and women who have made a commitment to Christ and a desire to continue their journey in enhancing their faith. With the aid of prayer and consideration, read the enclosed materials. Because I place a great value on this ministry, I place a great value on our Junior Core. Once I have your application, I will schedule a meeting with you. All the information will be kept strictly confidential. Youth ministry is a great way to give of your time and serve the Lord. I'm looking forward to meeting with you and spending some time talking about your hopes and desires for ministry. If you have any need to reach me, please feel free to call.

God Bless, Iliani Perez Youth Ministry Coordinator St. Augustine Catholic Church (407) 695-3262 office youth@saintaugustinecc.org

St. Augustine High School Youth Ministry Junior Core Team Application

Instructions

(Please print legibly)

- 1. Read through all the questions before you begin your answers.
- 2. Answer all the questions that apply.
- 3. Very Important: When answering these questions, be yourself. There are no right or wrong answers. These questions are simply vehicles for the youth coordinator to learn who you are.
- 4. Also Very Important: Rest assured that all information will be held in strict confidence by the Youth Ministry Coordinator.

Here are a few important facts about being a member of the Junior Core Team:

- Team member must be recent a graduate or have been a prior youth member and have completed the sacrament of Confirmation.
- Team members should possess the following qualities: a personal commitment to Jesus Christ, an unconditional love for teenagers, a love for the Catholic Church, regular participation in Sunday worship, a personal prayer life, freedom from serious sin, regular reading of Scripture, and openness to using the gifts of the Holy Spirit. Team members must be open to training and completing all background checks and requirements set forth by the Diocese of Orlando.
- Team members must continue to possess the above-mentioned qualities throughout the duration of their commitment.
- Team members are free at any time to unconditionally terminate their relationship as a Core Team member. At the same time, the Youth Coordinator retains the option to ask you to step out of this ministry if it becomes clear that the Lord is not calling you to this specific ministry, or if mitigating circumstances make it unwise for you to continue in this ministry.

APPLICANTS INFORMATION

Last Name			First	First Name			
Address			State		Zip/Postal Code		
Phone Number							
Birthdate			Age		Gender		
How often do	you attend mass	2					
Weekly	Mon	thly	Rarely	Never			
Which mass o	do you attend?						
Saturday:	5:00pm	6:30pm					
Sunday:	8:ooam	9:30am	11:00am	12:00pm			

DIOCESAN / PARISH INVOLVEMENT

Please check all that apply to you and fill in the requested information. Leave blank those choices which do not apply.

0	I have been a member for	years /	months.	
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O I have worked or volunteered at ______parish.

I have...

- O Taught or assisted in a religious education program in (my home parish) (another parish) Please circle one or both.
- O Assisted in a youth ministry program in my post high school years.
- O Served as a lector, Eucharistic minister, altar server, and/or choir member at a parish. Please circle all that apply.
- Served in a parish or diocese in other capacities (i.e. coordinated or assisted with parish festival, assisted the parish or diocesan office, other ministries, etc.)

I would like to help with the following needs:

0	Planning and organizational s	suppo	rt	0	Catechist (youth nights)
0	Set-up / Clean-up			0	Chaperone Events
0	Hospitality (i.e. Welcome Tab	ole)		0	Kitchen ministry
0	Coordinate Fundraisers			0	Coordinate Service Events
0	Help with Flyer Designs			0	Retreats and Liturgical Events
Please check all of the following skills which you believe are charisms (gifts) that you poses:					
0	Praying with Youth	0	Event Planning/Orgar	nizati	tion O Relating to Teenagers
0	Acting in Skits/Dramas	0	Leading Small Group	Discu	ussions O Teaching the Faith

O Singing/Music O Photography O Other:_____

AVAILABILITY

Please list any activities or commitments, which might prohibit you from being available on Wednesday nights or weekend retreats.

How would you feel if, after having completed the application form, interview, and/or training for the Junior Core Team you were not selected?

When would you be available to meet for an interview?

The information on this document is true and complete to the best of my knowledge.

I am committed to practice my faith as a Catholic Christian, to attend Mass on weekends and Holy Days of Obligation, to faithfully go to the sacraments. I am committed to attending catechist formation sessions, giving religious instruction to the youth in the parish, and seeking certification as a catechist through the Diocesan Catechist Certification Program.

Signatu	re		Date
Office Use:	Date Fingerprinted:	Date Cleared:	
	Safe Environment Training Date:		