



Youth Ministry Orientation Meeting

August 22nd, 2010

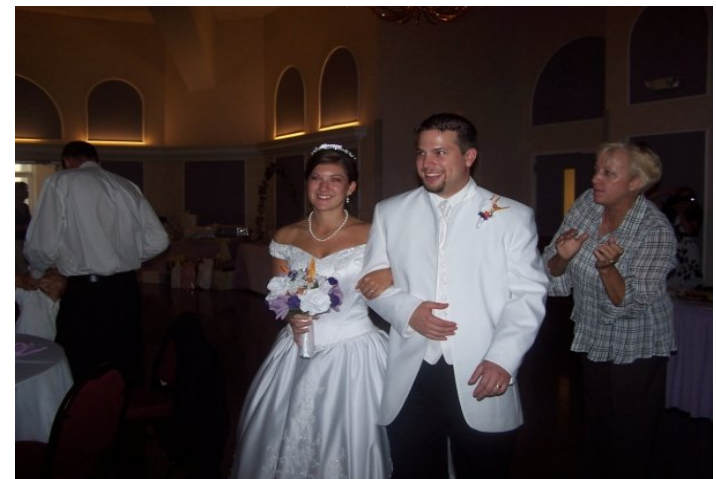


About Me

- Grew up in the Libertytown Area (Liberty Elementary, New Market Middle, Linganore)
- Went to college at Dickinson in Carlisle, PA. Earned a B.A. in Early American History with a minor in film.
- Officially converted to Catholicism on the feast of Christ the King 2005.
- Married my beautiful wife in August 2009.
- Have been involved in youth ministry for seven years, four of those years professionally. I am certified in YM by the Archdiocese
- I enjoy movies, video games and running.



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Why are you here?



- What is our new approach to Youth Ministry?
- What does your YM tuition money go towards?
- What will we be doing this year?
- How can you get involved?

What is our new approach to YM?

- Teaching the faith vs. Social fun.
- The strength of youth ministry is experience.
- Merging 6th, 7th and 8th grade together.
- LIFE TEEN and EDGE youth ministry programs.

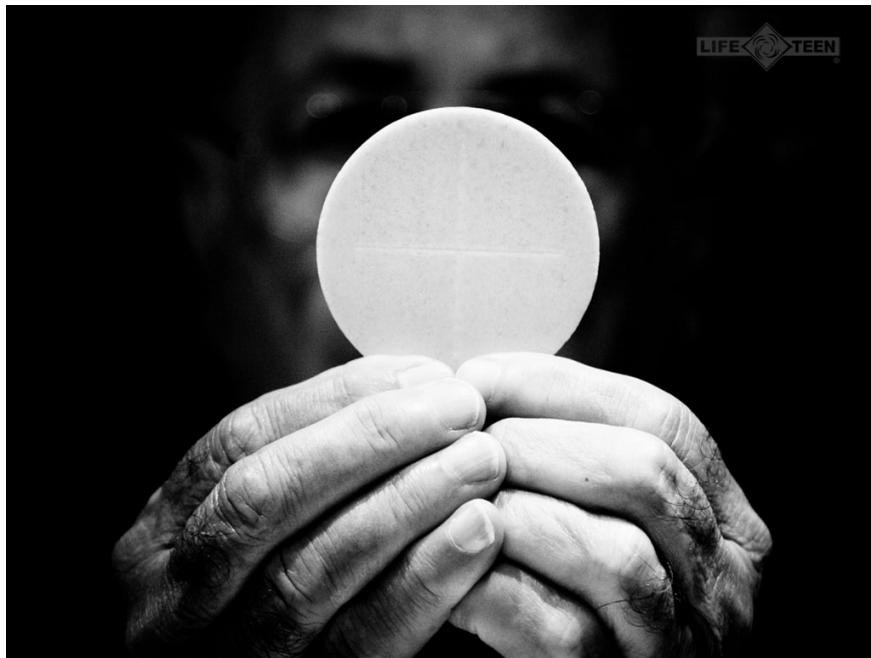


We must translate the message of Jesus into their language with patience and wisdom, without betrayal. Remember that these young people have within them even though in a confused way, not just a readiness of openness, but rather a real desire to know Jesus, who is called Christ.”
- Catechesis Tradendae #40

What is



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LIFE TEEN is currently in over 1500 parishes worldwide!

- a Eucharist-centered movement of the Holy Spirit, joyfully obedient to the Magisterium of the Roman Catholic Church and consecrated to the Blessed Virgin Mary. Jesus Christ is at the center of the LIFE TEEN movement.
- LIFE TEEN offers a 4-year curriculum for high school based on the USCCB's high school framework of catechesis and a middle school curriculum to prepare teenagers for the High School curriculum.

What is



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- Offers fun, engaging and relevant nights rooted in the Church's teachings.
- Offers relevant training for adult volunteers.
- is relational. LIFE TEEN strives to connect teens with other teenagers and with trained, caring adults who are trying to live out their faith in a safe environment.
- Can change teenagers, parishes and culture.



Being Christian is not the result of an ethical choice or a lofty idea, but the encounter with an event, a person, which gives life a new horizon and a decisive direction."

- Pope Benedict XVI

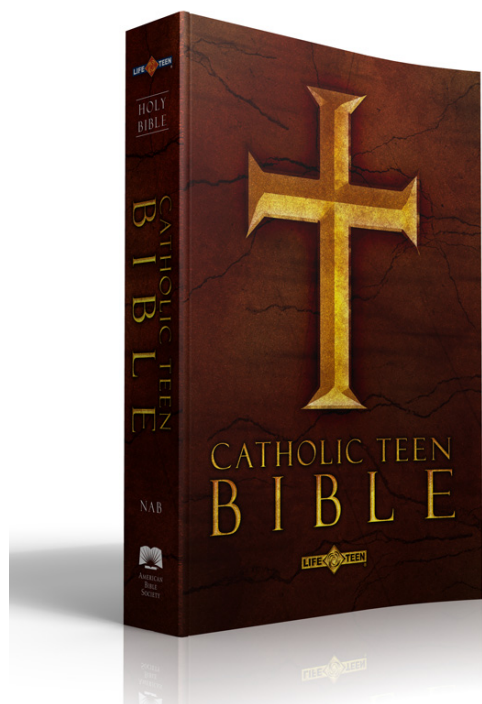
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- Begins with a Youth Centered Mass (5:45 pm). A Life night follows immediately following the Mass.
- Three kinds of nights:
 - *Educational*: Nights based around the semester theme
 - *Issue*: Nights based around a current issue teenagers are dealing with or is currently effecting our world.
 - *Social*: Nights geared towards connecting teens with other teens.
- Each night has a theme which is built into an environment.
- The rhythm of a typical life night:
 - *GATHER*: Games with a purpose!
 - *PROCLAIM*: Concise, relevant and truthful teaching
 - *BREAK*: "What do you think about that?"
 - *SEND*: "Put the bow on the package"

What does your YM tuition money go towards?



Even if your teen has a Bible, this Bible has over 100+ pages of appendixes which really help teens unpack scripture

- LIFE TEEN and EDGE resource subscription.
- a copy of the "Catholic Teen" Bible from LIFE TEEN for your teenager.
- "Parent Connect" Resources, which will be available on our parish youth ministry website, to help you further unpack the semester theme, educational nights and issue nights at home.
- A Guest Pass card for your teenager.

What does your YM tuition money go towards? Continued...

- The St. Peter “Epistle” e-newsletter and more exciting online content.
- Funding for outside events
- Snacks, snacks and more snacks!
- Getting Kenn a sweet sports car



In October, our CORE teams will be attending a CMU to receive ongoing training in Youth Ministry. Your tuition helps pay for this

What is YM doing this year?



A lot of teens have a hard time understanding the Bible and they wonder why it's considered "Sacred." The goal of our fall semester is to answer that question.

- Our fall theme is called "Discover the Sacred" and is geared towards giving the teenagers a better understanding of Sacred Scripture and how to use it in their daily lives.
- YM nights every Sunday (except a few, see calendar) from 7:00 – 8:30 pm. EDGE meets in Parish Center. LIFE TEEN meets in Sappington.
- Retreat: LIFE TEEN: November 12th – 14th (Cost will be between \$60 - \$80) EDGE: January 7th – 8th (Cost will be between \$40 - \$70)
- Fundraisers to offset costs and give your teens a "bank account" for YM
- We'll begin rolling out the Winter/Spring Semester in late November/Early December

What is YM doing this year?

Polices & Procedures

- We will only be using one door for entry/exit for drop off and pick up for safety reasons.
 - Parish Center: The main door by the statue of the Holy Family.
 - Sappington: The door facing the parking lot.
- We will not have Youth Ministry if there is a "Winter Warning" in effect from 5:00 pm onwards. You will receive e-mail confirmation for this.
- Your teen may bring a cell phone, but they must turn it off at the start of the night.
- We will be taking attendance, but for your benefit!



Sometimes even that
doesn't work...

How Can You Get Involved?

- CORE member
- Parent LIFE member
- Small Group Leaders
- Guardian Angel
- Videographer/Photographer
- Cooks
- Graphic Design/Web Design
- Technology Team
- Shoppers
- Fundraising Team
- Retreat Support Team
- Other ideas?



Want to get involved?
Just contact Kenn!

Thank You For Coming!

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