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A YOUTH & YOUNG ADULT MINISTRY E-ZINE FOR THE ARCHDIOCESE OF NEW ORLEANS

## CLI Registration—Limited Space Remains!

Catholic Leadership Institute, a nationally recognized program, has been empowering the young church for over twenty years to become leaders in their parish and high school settings. While there are many leadership training opportunities available through other programs such as student council, CLI is unique in that leadership principles and practice are presented through the lens of Gospel teaching and values. While this is not a retreat, it involves some of the same community dynamics familiar at adolescent retreats. The five days of intense learning and training will include skills training, prayer and worship, and "learning by doing" where participants become responsible for leading others during the institute. A team of young adults and youth ministers from across the archdiocese lead this week -long leadership training.

OPEN TO ANYONE WHO HAS COMPLETED THE 8th - 11th GRADE
Date: June 11-15, 2012
Location: Baton Rouge, LA
Cost: $285.00 (SCHOLARSHIPS AVAILABLE)

Visit www.cyo-no.org, go to events/programs and click on CLI to register.

## Camp Abbey News

There is some space remaining for summer camp sessions. Visit www.campabbey.org for registration materials or call the camp office at 985-327-7240.

The office is currently accepting retreat reservations for the next school year. Many weekends are already taken, so don't wait to reserve your preferred dates. We are willing to work with you on your event budget.

## 2012-2013 Calendar

The 2012-2013 Calendar of Programs is currently being finalized. If you need specific dates before publication, please call the office so that we can assist you. A few important dates to note now…

August 18, 2012 - Annual Youth Ministers' Forum
October 28, 2012—World Youth Day New Orleans (Grades 8 -12)
November 10, 2012—Junior High Rally (Grades 6-8)

## NCCYM 2012

It's time to start thinking about the National Conference on Catholic Youth Ministry. This national gathering of adults working in Catholic youth ministry takes place in even-numbered years and was last held in December 2010 right here in New Orleans. If you attended, then you are familiar with the inspiring keynotes, informative workshops, the networking opportunities, and an amazing resource exhibition. NCCYM 2012 will be in Orlando, Florida, at the Walt Disney World Swan and Dolphin Hotel and Conference Center. With either a full-day drive or a quick direct flight to Orlando, the destination is easier than most for us in greater New Orleans. Please see the attached flyer, mark the dates on your calendar, and start thinking about attending. The CYO Office will send information to pastors over the summer to advise them of this great opportunity. We will assist in organizing your travel and participation as well.

## Relay for Life—

We are happy to report that 14 parishes were represented at the first planning meeting on May 17. It's not too late for your group to get involved. E-mail cyo@arch-no.org today!. The Relay for Life is held as a collaboration of the parish youth ministry programs; the CYO Office provides communication and logistical support.

Next Meeting— Thursday, June 21, 2012, at 7:00 PM at St. Clement of Rome.

Registration/Bank Night—Wednesday, July 11, 2012, at 7:00 PM at St. Clement of Rome

**Relay For Life**— Friday, July 13, 2012 – Saturday, July 14, 2012, at St. Clement of Rome

## Clarification on Archbishop's Letter

We have received several inquiries from parish youth ministry confused about the archbishop's letter regarding scheduling activities on Sundays. This letter was addressed to the HIGH SCHOOLS, asking them to schedule fewer activities on Sundays would be better reserved for PARISHES and FAMILIES. So having parish youth ministry events on Sundays is FINE! Please call the office if you have any questions.

# Meeting/Event Reminders

6/3—Summer at Camp Abbey opens
6/4—Coed Cabbageball season begins
6/11-15—CLI in Baton Rouge
6/18 - Teen Cross - 7pm (Knights of Columbus Hall in Lakeview)
6/19-Father's Day

# Youth Ministry Events

## Catholic Charities SERVE Program - Summer Service Opportunity for High School Students

Catholic Charities Archdiocese of New Orleans and the Office of Religious Education are offering a summer service camp, SERVE, or **S**tudents **E**ngaging in **R**eflective **V**olunteer **E**xperiences. SERVE is an opportunity for high school students to give back to the community and achieve the service hours required by many parochial high schools. Sessions run for two weeks with 40-hour sessions, 20-hour session, or 12-hour session. SERVE sites are day camps, food bank, homeless shelter and Head Starts. **North Shore SERVE has been added for SERVE 2012.** Students must be incoming freshman. Registration is non-refundable – $30.00 for SERVE and $15 for Mini-SERVE. Registration is open now until full. Limited slots are available.
All participants will receive a t-shirt. For more information contact Shannon Murphy, Director of Volunteers at (504) 310-6962. Register online at http://www.ccano.org/volunteers/high-school-service/

## Come and See the Beauty of Carmel

- For single women ages 16-35 interested in learning more about the religious life on Saturday, June 16, 2012, from 11am-3pm at the Carmelite Monastery, 73530 River Rd, Covington, LA. Archbishop Gregory Aymond will celebrate Mass, followed by lunch, vocation talks from the sisters, and prayer time. Those who have been to previous Come & See events are invited to attend and/or volunteer. There is no cost for the day, but please sign up by email or phone- Sr. Edith: ocdedith@aol.com or Sr. Grace: srgraceocd@yahoo.com ; (985) 898-0923.

## Corpus Christi Procession

will be on June 10th. Mass will be celebrated at 9:30am at Our Lady of Prompt Succor Shrine with Eucharistic Procession to begin at 10:45am to Holy Name of Jesus Church. Benediction will be at Noon. This is an excellent opportunity for families and young people to come together, and a unique time to see the Mystical Body of Christ with Archbishop Aymond carrying Christ as our head leading youth, religious, and families in a powerful display of Catholic identity. Parking is at the West Garage between Holy Name of Jesus Church and Tulane University on St. Charles Avenue and continual shuttles will take participants to where the procession will begin. Water will be provided, and Plum Street Snoballs will be giving out free snoballs outside after Benediction at noon. This day of evangelization will equip participants with a faith experience to bring back to their parishes.

## Joshua Leadership Institute:

July 15-19, 2012, Bishop Robert Tracey Center ;1800 South Acadian Thruway , Baton Rouge, LA 70808
JLI is a week-long program that educates students on ALL life issues and gives students the chance to dialogue with new friends and some of the top pro-life leaders of the nation! Not only do the students who attend Joshua Leadership Institute become a new generation of pro-life leaders, but they also have the time of their lives! The cost of JLI is $199, and scholarships are available for students with financial need. To apply, visit the online application page at www.campjoshuala.org or to download a paper application. You can see the online video for a better idea of what goes down at JLI and also download a flyer about JLI! If you have any questions, please contact Kacie Hampton, the Youth Programs Director at Louisiana Right to Life, at 1-866-463-5433 or khampton@prolifelouisiana.org.

## TEC Retreats this summer

There will be two Teens Encounter Christ retreats this summer : July 28-30,and September 1-3, 2012. Applications are available at www.tecneworleans.com.

## Annual UNITY Skate Party

The annual youth ministry UNITY Skate Party will be Sunday, August 12, 2012, from 7:00 PM—10:00 PM at Airline Skate Center in Metairie. Please consider brining your youth group; the enclosed flyer has additional details.

**Christ in the City—** Tuesday, June 5, 2012 - 7:00 pm at Notre Dame Seminary. Christ in the City is an evening of Eucharistic Adoration for young adults in their 20s, 30s and 40s, including music, silent worship, Benediction and Confession. We will gather afterwards at Ye Olde College Inn. Email: Christ.In.City@gmail.com for more information.

**Theology on Tap -** The Northshore Theology on Tap Summer 2012 dates have been announced! It's all happening on the following Thursdays at 6:30pm at Abita Brewery (not the pub) at 21084 Hwy 36, Abita Springs, LA 70420.
June 28—Putting on your Armor: The Virtuous Life with Paul George
July 12—HHS Mandate: Women's Health or Religious Freedom with Rev. Jose Lavastida, S.T.D.
July 19—Pick your Poison: Vices and Virtues and Purity of Heart with Fr. Jude Isreal, O.S.B.
July 26—Hope in the Vow with Jan an Loyd Tate

**World Youth Day 2013 Brazil** – The Office of Youth and Young Adult Ministry in the Archdiocese of New Orleans will be hosting an informational meeting for persons interested in making a pilgrimage to Rio de Janiero, Brazil for the International World Youth Day in 2013. Anyone planning to go on this trip must be 18 years old by July 1, 2013. If you would like to learn more please come to the CYO/Youth and Young Adult Ministry office at 1007 Airline Park Blvd in Metairie at 7pm on Tuesday June 26. This meeting will provide an overview of the World Youth Day experience, discuss potential costs and outline the steps individuals need to take if they plan on making the pilgrimage. If you are unable to attend the meeting, contact Rachel Longest by July 20, 2012.

# Jobs, Resources, & Training

## Training

### Office of Religious Education—Catechist Certification Courses

The Office of Religious Education is announcing its summer line-up of catechist certification courses. Please call them at 504-861-6270 for more information. All youth ministers should have a basic catechist certification.

**The Institute for Black Catholic Studies** is a school of ministry for clergy, religious and laypersons working in the Black community and Catholic church that convenes each summer at Xavier University of Louisiana in New Orleans. The 2012 session will run June 22-July 14, 2012. The Master's Program is a three-week course of study; Certificate & Enrichment courses (for Catechists, Youth/Young Adult Ministers, Parish Leaders, Elders) are held in three one-week modules. Mr. Rawn Harbor will offer an intensive workshop for parish musicians and liturgists. A week-long seminar for priests and pastors ministering in African American parishes will be conducted by Fr. Freddy Washington, CSSp. For more information and application, check the IBCS website **www.xula.edu/ibcs** or call (504)520-7961.

**Instituto Fe y Vida's eighteenth annual National Summer Program**.
This year, in addition to three programs focused on formation for Pastoral Juvenil Hispana (Hispanic youth and young adult ministry), they are offering a training for ecclesial leaders and young adults. You can download the flyer with all the details and information about these exciting formation opportunities. You will see how they will help you and other leaders you work with to grow personally and as a community, and thereby to improve your ministry! The flyer contains information about partial scholarships. You can also download a Sponsors Sheet to organize the process of raising funds to participate.
If you have any questions, please contact: - Walter F. Mena • Tel (209) 598-5145 • email: wmena@feyvida.org or Joe Matty • Tel (209) 951-3483 • email: jmatty@feyvida.org

## Resources

**Recording Artist/Speaker**—Kara Klein, a local Catholic recording artist and dynamic young speaker seeks to bring the message of where authentic love, freedom and joy can be discovered: in Jesus Christ. With her original music and personal testimony, Kara proclaims to the youth that true love is found in a life of chastity, real freedom in virtue, and genuine joy in service. She is available to present her message to schools and churches of the archdiocese on a sliding scale, and may be reached at 985-373-8102 or karacklein@gmail.com.

**The Sojourners Film**
Ghost Rider Productions is now scheduling screenings from coast to coast in theaters, churches, school auditoriums and many other venues. If you are thinking about hosting a screening event in your parish, please visit our website www.thesojournersmovie.com and click on the "participate" link or any of the numerous "screening" links on the site. You may also contact Nancy Lococo by calling 504-329-5621 or emailing her at nancylee47@gmail.com . They are looking forward to hearing from you and will work with you to make your "Sojourners" screening an unforgettable fundraising event.

**Join or Renew NACYML now!**
NACYML is preparing to celebrate its tenth anniversary in 2014 with many exciting changes and developments.
In 2012 membership benefits include:

- Discounts to speakers and youth ministry resources
- Participation in the NACYML Membership Meeting
- NCCYM registration discount ($20)
- Opportunity for national certification
- Monthly member updates
- Registration discount for OnCourse Webinars and Youth Ministry Specialization Certificate

Registration for NACYML takes place online at http://www.nacyml.org/join.

NACYML
National Association of Catholic Youth Ministry Leaders

## Job Openings

**Coordinator of Religious Education and Youth Ministry Coordinator**
St. Clement of Rome Parish is seeking to hire a Coordinator of Religious Education and a Youth Ministry Coordinator. Both are part-time positions. If an applicant has the background and desire for both positions, however, a full-time, full-benefit position combining the responsibilities of each is possible. Applications should be submitted to Fr. Luis Rodriguez at the St. Clement of Rome Parish Center (4317 Richland Ave. Metairie, LA 70002). A detailed job description of each position can be found on the website (http://www.scrparish.org/staff-positions.html).

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