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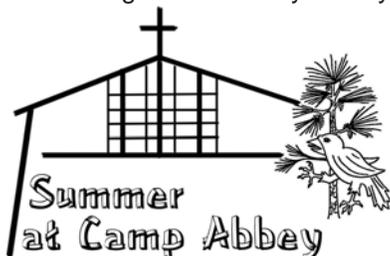
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A YOUTH & YOUNG ADULT MINISTRY E-ZINE FOR THE ARCHDIOCESE OF NEW ORLEANS

### Camp Abbey News

There is limited space remaining for summer camp sessions for girls with start dates of July 8, July 15, and July 22. Registrations are accepted until the week prior to a requested session. Walk-up registrations are strongly discouraged as some of these sessions are nearly full. Visit [www.campabbey.org](http://www.campabbey.org) for registration materials or call the camp office at 985-327-7240.

The camp 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 for your event. We are willing to work with you on your event budget.



### Youth Ministers Forum

This annual meeting of all youth ministers in the Archdiocese of New Orleans will be Saturday, August 18, 2012, at Camp Abbey Retreat Center in the morning. Complimentary bus transportation from the south shore will be provided. Archbishop Aymond will address the group, so be sure to mark your calendar and plan to attend this great opportunity for information, networking, and more.

### Relay for Life

We are happy to report that 16 parish youth groups will participate in the annual CYO/ACS Relay for Life. If your parish wants to participate, e-mail [cyo@arch-no.org](mailto:cyo@arch-no.org) before July 6! The Relay for Life is held as a collaboration of the parish youth ministry programs; the CYO Office provides communication and logistical support.

**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 from 8:00 PM—6:00 AM.



### 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 (the largest of its kind) 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, especially because the archdiocese benefits from a tax exemption on hotel sales and occupancy taxes with the State of Florida.

### 2012-2013 Calendar of Programs

The CYO Office 2012-2013 Calendar of Programs will be published the week of July 9 on our website. Copies of the glossy calendar booklet will be distributed at the Youth Ministers' Forum on August 18, 2012. Some key dates are:

- August 18—Youth Ministers' Forum
- October 28—World Youth Day New Orleans
- November 10—Junior High Rally
- Nov 29-Dec 1—NCCYM in Orlando
- Jan 4-5 - Hofinger Conference
- January 22-27 - March for Life Pilgrimage
- February 24—Youth Revival
- March 9 -Abbey Youth Fest
- March 16—Slam N Jam
- April 12-14—Habari Gani
- April 21—Leadership Celebration at St. Louis Cathedral

## Meeting/Event Reminders

7/1-6 - ECHO at Camp Abbey; [www.dumboxproductions.com](http://www.dumboxproductions.com)  
7/9 - Teen Cross - 7pm (Knights of Columbus Hall in Lakeview)  
7/11 - Relay for Life registration meeting 7pm at St. Clement of Rome  
7/13 - Relay for Life 8pm-6am at St. Clement of Rome  
7/14 - TEC Community Prayer & Social 5-9pm at Camp Abbey  
7/17 - CYO Office Staff Meeting 2pm  
7/18-22 National Black Catholic Congress in Indianapolis  
7/25-30 CYO Youth Trip to Walt Disney World



## Youth Ministry Events

### Summer Youth Trip

The CYO Office is coordinating a trip for four parish youth groups to Walt Disney World on July 25-30, 2012.

### 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](http://www.tecneworleans.com).



### Annual UNITY Skate Party

The 6th Annual Youth Ministry UNITY Skate Party will be Sunday, August 12, 2012, from 7:00 PM—10:00 PM at Airline Skate Center (New Location!) 6711 Airline Drive in Metairie. Please consider bringing your youth group; the enclosed flyer has additional details. This event is a fundraiser for scholarships for youth to attend CYO Office sponsored events. For more information, please contact Ansel Augustine at [aaugustine@archdiocese-no.org](mailto:aaugustine@archdiocese-no.org).



### 'Love Loud,' Ignite 2012—

St Margaret Mary College Ministry presents 'Love Loud,' Ignite 2012, on Wednesday, August 1, 2012 at St. Margaret Mary. The night kicks off with a block party at 5:00 p.m. in the parish gym, with free food and fellowship. Praise and worship begins at 7:00 p.m., in the church, led by Christian Strickland. The night will include a talk by national Catholic speaker, and past Steubenville Atlanta host, Paul George, of Adore Ministries, Eucharistic Adoration and confession. Ignite is free and open to the public, so please invite family and friends. Don't miss out! For any questions, directions, or for more information, please contact SMM College Ministry at [smmcollege@gmail.com](mailto:smmcollege@gmail.com)



### Dodgeball Tournament

SANYO (St. Andrew the Apostle Youth Ministry) will be hosting its 4th Annual CYO Dodgeball Tournament this year! All CYOs are invited to attend, so spread the word and begin forming teams now. Non-CYO members are allowed to play in the tournament, so feel free to invite your friends from school as well. Come out and join us for a day of fun on Saturday, August 11. For more information call Clare Messina 504-208-0851 or Kevin Yokum at 504-481-6457.

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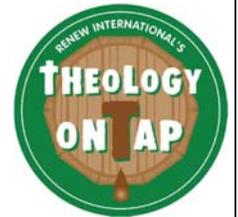
**Christ in the City**— Tuesday, June 3, 2012 - 7:00 pm at Notre Dame Seminary. Christ in the City is an evening of Eucharistic Adoration for young adults in their 20s, 30s and 40s, including music, silent worship, Benediction and Confession. We will gather afterwards at Ye Olde College Inn. Email: [Christ.In.City@gmail.com](mailto:Christ.In.City@gmail.com) for more information.

**Theology on Tap** - The Northshore Theology on Tap Summer 2012 is happening this month! 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.

July 12—HHS Mandate: Women's Health or Religious Freedom with Fr. David Kelly

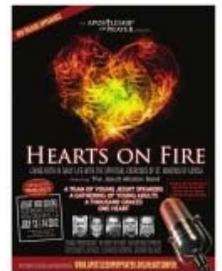
July 19—Pick your Poison: Vices and Virtues and Purity of Heart with Fr. Jude Isreal, O.S.B.

July 26—Hope in the Vow with Jan and Lloyd Tate



## **Hearts on Fire is Calling You**

New Orleans will host a team of young Jesuits traveling through the South this summer to present the "Hearts on Fire" retreat to young adults. The New Orleans retreat will be hosted at Jesuit High School, July 13 & 14. Participants will go home on Friday evening and return Saturday morning. The retreat will include presentations by the team of Jesuits, adoration, reconciliation, quiet prayer, discussion groups, Mass, and more! The suggested donation for the weekend is \$20. for more information, please contact Rachel Longest at 504-227-3229 or [rlongest@archdiocese-no.org](mailto:rlongest@archdiocese-no.org). You may register online by going to <http://www.apostleshipofprayer.org>.



## **Social Justice Advocacy at your Fingertips**

Young Adult Ministry of the Archdiocese of New Orleans will be hosting an advocacy workshop July 24 at 7pm at Loyola University. This interactive presentation will offer ways you can be involved in advocacy on behalf of social justice in a world of so much rich digital content. Nick Albares will provide an interactive presentation on **Catholic Advocacy in the Digital Age** that will present the theological foundations of advocacy and provide you several concrete options of how you can engage in advocacy in our tech savvy world. Please bring a WiFi enabled device (laptop, smartphone, tablet, etc.) in order to fully engage in the presentation to be held in the Audubon Room of the Danna Student Center. Contact Rachel Longest at 504-227-3229 with questions.

## **St. Louis Cathedral Tour - Behind Closed Doors**

Join us on **Tuesday, July 31 at 7pm** for a special, private tour of St. Louis Cathedral, guided by fellow young adult Brandon Briscoe. Come explore this iconic symbol of New Orleans and learn its amazing history! Mark your calendars because you don't want to miss this! Contact Rachel Longest at 504-227-3229 with questions.



## **MAGNIFICAT HOUSE OF DISCERNMENT**

Is there a young lady in your parish that you think may be called by God to be a religious sister or nun? If your answer is "yes" please pass the following information along to her: The Archdiocese of New Orleans Magnificat House of Discernment will open August 15th for young women interested in discerning a vocation to the religious life. Interviews will be held from July 15th through July 31st. Call (504) 861-6281 for more information or to schedule an appointment for an interview.

# Jobs, Resources, & Training

## Training

### Office of Religious Education—Catechist Certification Courses

The Office of Religious Education is offering over 70 classes for adults in its new Archdiocesan Catechetical Certification Program (ACCP). The classes begin June 11, 2012 and generally last four days for 2 ½ hours each day. All classes are open to not only those desiring certification as catechists, but also to any adult interested in growing in knowledge of our Faith. Go to the ORE's website, [www.orearchdio-no.com](http://www.orearchdio-no.com) and click under "ICS Course Schedule" to view classes and register. All youth ministers should have a basic catechist certification.

## Resources

**Youth Ministry Access** is a subscription website designed especially for youth ministry leaders that provides access to thousands of programs and strategies, including more than 70 new gathered youth programs and non-gathered strategies to connect with families, the parish, and the wider community each year. New features make Youth Ministry Access even easier to use! You are invited to join Cheryl Tholcke, Project Coordinator for YMA, on a tour of the YMA site.

YMA tours are 45-minute online meetings where you can learn about Youth Ministry Access and the treasure trove of resources for comprehensive ministry with middle school and high school youth. To participate, all you need is a computer, access to the Internet, and a phone! To register and receive login information, please contact Dee Austin at least one day prior to the tour at (253) 853-5422 or [dee@cmdnet.org](mailto:dee@cmdnet.org).

### Schedule of YMA Tours

Thursday, June 21, 1 PM (Pacific)  
Wednesday, July 18, 10 AM (Pacific)  
Monday, August 13, 11 AM (Pacific)  
Thursday, September 6, 1 PM (Pacific)  
Tuesday, October 16, 10 AM (Pacific)  
Tuesday, November 6, 1 PM (Pacific)



## 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>.

## Adore Ministries—Josh Blakesley and team here!

We wanted to reach out because we are putting together another tour through your area for this September and wanted to see if you had any ideas for getting this tour to your area. The tour features Josh Blakesley with his band, as well as speaker Ennie Hickman from Adore Ministries. Ben Walther and Sarah Kroger (two AMAZING up and coming Catholic worship leaders) will also be a part of the night.

This is going to be a great night for families and youth to celebrate God's love and community through music, worship, testimony, and Eucharistic adoration (if you choose to have that be a part of the night). Please reach out to [douglas@thebrownbookagency.com](mailto:douglas@thebrownbookagency.com) for all questions or inquiries about BOOKING the tour!



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