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TO: Youth Ministers/Campus Ministers
FROM: Timmy McCaffery

Each year, concerned citizens opposed to abortion have gathered at the annual March for Life in Washington, D.C., to raise their voices against the Supreme Court's Roe v. Wade decision and to give witness to respect for all human life. The Archdiocese of New Orleans, through the Office of CYO/Youth & Young Adult Ministry, began offering a trip over ten years ago to all area high school students. This has now grown into 500 teenagers from 19 Catholic high schools and numerous parish youth ministry delegations. We join hundreds of thousands of mostly young people to peacefully march as witnesses to the sanctity of life. Archbishop Gregory Aymond supports this opportunity, and will be attending with us again this year.

The pilgrimage provides a unique opportunity to meet with members of the Louisiana Congressional delegation regarding life issues, and gather with young people from across Louisiana at the Geaux Forth Rally sponsored by The Louisiana Right to Life-which focuses on bringing advocacy for life back home. Our pilgrimage also includes the participation in large youth events such as Life is Very Good put on by the Diocese of Arlington. As we travel, each motor coach is accompanied by various religious, a priest, deacon, and/or seminarian, as well as a program designed to strengthen our understanding of pro-life catechesis and delve deeper into our prayer lives. Each day/night is packed with historical, educational, and spiritual opportunities for our youth to encounter Jesus Christ through the richness of their Catholic faith.

We are again pleased to sponsor a youth pilgrimage to the March for Life. Because of the tremendous growth of the trip over the years, our basic registration procedures are as follows:

- 1) **ELIGIBILITY:** The trip is open to students in grades 8-12 registering as part of either a Catholic high school or a church parish youth ministry delegation; schools/parishes may impose additional criteria at their discretion
- 2) **REGISTERING:** To register a group, a group leader should submit a group roster, the individual registration slips, and the corresponding deposits to the CYO Office.
- 3) **PAYMENTS:** At the beginning of the registration process, the group leader must decide whether trip participants will pay directly to the CYO Office (i.e., sending a bundle of checks) or whether the parish/school will collect payments and then cut one check to the archdiocese. Please do not switch back and forth.
- 4) **TEENS WITHOUT A GROUP:** Teens whose parishes/schools are not going may register as individuals with a surcharge. Special consideration will be given to members of Teen CROSS, the Archdiocesan Youth Council. Contact the CYO Office to discuss.
- 5) **CHAPERONES:** The trip will be chaperoned by the office and adult staff from the parishes and high schools. Adults, including parents, may not register for the youth pilgrimage without the approval of the school or parish where their child attends.

With space limited to 500 people and the trip selling out each year, I ask that young people and their parents please make decisions as soon as possible. Complete information will be made available at www.cyo-no.org, including trip flyers, itinerary, packing list, and various permission forms. Trip meetings to submit these forms will take place in December on the southshore and northshore. Paid deposits hold space on a first-come, first-served basis. If you have any questions, please contact Terry Fricano at 504-836-0551, ext. 3221.



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Archdiocesan Youth Pilgrimage, March for Life 2019
GROUP ROSTER

To help the CYO Office verify that group leaders are aware of what teens are registering to travel with them on the archdiocesan youth pilgrimage, please list all names below. Duplicate this form as needed. This form should be bundled with the individual registration slips and the corresponding deposit payment, and sent to the CYO Office by the October 10, 2018, deadline. Earlier registration is advised since the trip does fill up and registration is on a first come, first served basis.

HIGH SCHOOL/CHURCH PARISH GROUP _____

GROUP LEADER NAME _____

GROUP LEADER E-MAIL _____

GROUP LEADER CELL PHONE _____

STUDENTS

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| 1. _____ | 13. _____ |
| 2. _____ | 14. _____ |
| 3. _____ | 15. _____ |
| 4. _____ | 16. _____ |
| 5. _____ | 17. _____ |
| 6. _____ | 18. _____ |
| 7. _____ | 19. _____ |
| 8. _____ | 20. _____ |
| 9. _____ | 21. _____ |
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| 11. _____ | 23. _____ |
| 12. _____ | 24. _____ |

2019 March for Life Pilgrimage



What: A life-changing pilgrimage that includes the 46th Rally & March for Life, Basilica of the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception, the Capitol, Holocaust Museum, Smithsonian Museums, Lincoln Memorial, Supreme Court, opportunity to meet Louisiana Congressional Members, Geaux Forth Youth Rally, nightly prayer and youth ministry, and more!

Where: Washington, D.C.

When: Tuesday, January 15, 2019 (evening departure) – Sunday, January 20, 2019 (evening return)

Cost: \$595 includes motor coach transportation, hotel accommodations based on 4 students or 2 adults per room, 10 out of 14 meals, and all activities/admissions. *Teens registering without a sponsoring parish/school group add \$100 to cost.

Payments:	By Check	By Credit Card (note that a 5% processing fee per transaction will be added for those paying by credit card)
	\$195 Deposit due October 10	\$195 Deposit charged October 10
	\$200 Payment due November 30	\$400 Balance charged November 30
	\$200 Payment due January 4	

Note: There are no refunds.

More Info: Detailed itinerary, permission forms, packing list, and school absence letters from archdiocese will be sent to each participant and will be available at www.cyo-no.org. Forms will be due at a **December trip meeting**; complimentary notarization will be available.

Name _____ E-mail _____ Student's Cell # _____

Address _____ City _____ State _____ ZIP _____

Home Phone # _____ School/Church Group _____ Adult Leader Name _____

Check Payable to CYO Enclosed _____ Visa/Mastercard # _____ Exp. _____

CYO/Youth & Young Adult Ministry Office Name on Credit Card _____

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