

# WELCOME

## ST. CHARLES BORROMEO YOUTH MINISTRY

# 2021-2022

### A FEW FACES TO KNOW



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June 2, 2021

Dear Parents and Teens,

At World Youth Day in Panama City, Panama, young people from St. Charles parish listened in when Pope Francis spoke these words: “you, dear young people, are not the future, but the now of God.” At St. Charles Youth Ministry, we believe this to be true! Every young person is a full member of the Church, called to full participation. We want to invite all young members of the Church to allow their faith to come alive at St. Charles!

Of the many influences in the life of a young person, studies reveal that parents exert the greatest and most impacting role in the faith life of their child. Parents play a hugely important role and our ministry is here to support that role. Opportunities like retreats, conferences, discipleship groups, service projects, summer camps, World Youth Day, etc. are meant to support and reinforce what parents are already witnessing to their young person at home in the domestic church.

We love to dialogue with parents about ways they might become involved in our ministry. We have parents who host meetings in their homes, offer snacks, chaperone events, and lead or assist with discipleship groups. Our goal is to help equip parents to have the tools and confidence that they need to minister to their young person, while also offering examples of other faithful witnesses in the Church. These other faithful witnesses consist of parish volunteers that live the faith boldly, participate in the life of the Church through daily prayer lives, Sunday Mass, and participate in the sacrament of Confession regularly. You might recognize some of them on the front page of this packet. There are many more not listed who also put in many hours of service to our young people at St. Charles and we are very grateful for them!

Our summer calendar this year is focused on larger-group ministry opportunities, like our weekly Wednesday gatherings at the Youth Center, Steubenville Youth Conference, the canoe trip, breakfast after Friday morning 8:15am Mass through the month of July, and the Diocesan World Youth Day Conference in August at Headwaters Park (Find information about these events and others on our website: [stcharlesfortwayne.org/HS](http://stcharlesfortwayne.org/HS)). During the month of August, we will offer training opportunities for our youth ministry volunteer leaders.

After Labor Day in September, we will focus our efforts on discipleship ministry through the fall and spring semesters of the school year. Discipleship groups are where young people engage deeper in Catechesis and knowledge of the Catholic faith, learn about the lives of the Saints, build a prayer life, foster their relationship with the sacraments, and grow in virtuous relationships with their peers. Discipleship groups are led by parish volunteers who take on ownership of the groups, build relationships, and journey with the teens throughout high school. Discipleship groups cover topics including, but not limited to: prayer, the Church, true friendships, Theology of the Body, Catholic Social Doctrine, the Saints, the sacraments, and vocations. The heart of these discipleship groups is a deeper relationship with Jesus and it is witnessed by the trained leaders who mentor the students and foster fellowship in relationship with their peers.

During the school semester, we also offer more occasional large group ministry opportunities that serve as catalysts for conversion and offer firmer foundations for those already in a relationship with Jesus, like the semesterly retreats at St. Felix (November 5-7, 2021 and March 25-27, 2022). We hope to be accompanied by missionaries from Catholic Youth Summer Camp for the fall and spring retreat once again. We also plan to take a group of teens to the National Catholic Youth Conference in Indianapolis (November 18-20, 2021). We look forward to participating in other events such as Christmas caroling, the March for Life, Catholic Youth Summer Camp, etc.

We invite your high school teens to join our ministry this year as we offer many opportunities to grow closer to God. We really look forward to getting to know families better and accompanying them as they continue to journey in faith and foster their relationship with Jesus Christ. In this packet, you will find annual emergency medical care forms, electronic communication forms, and photo consent forms that need completed and returned to our youth ministry office. You can send them with your child to the next youth ministry gathering, return them by mail, or email using the contact information below.

If you have any questions regarding our upcoming events or ways for your young person to get involved, please contact us. You are in our prayers!

In Christ,

*Stacey Huneck*

St. Charles Borromeo

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# Hello

# summer

## Youth Ministry

### Other Meetings:

JUNE 2, 9, 16, 23, 30  
JULY 14, 21, 28

OTHER EVENT INFO:  
STCHARLESFORT  
WAYNE.ORG/HS

**Kick-off**  
**Wednesday, June 2**

7-8:45PM  
ST. CHARLES YOUTH  
CENTER  
4904 TRIER RD

For incoming high  
school freshmen  
through outgoing  
seniors.



## Other Event Dates:

**JUNE 7 & 8 FROM 7-9PM**

**THE JOY OF CREATION WORKSHOP  
AT THE YOUTH CENTER**

**JUNE 25-27**

**STEUBENVILLE YOUTH CONFERENCE**

**JULY 2, 9, 16 & 30**

**FRIDAY 8:15AM MASS IN CHURCH  
& BREAKFAST AT THE YOUTH CENTER UNTIL 10AM**

**JULY 11-16**

**CATHOLIC YOUTH SUMMER CAMP (ALL SPOTS ARE FILLED)**

**JULY 21**

**INSTEAD OF OUR WEEKLY WEDNESDAY YOUTH CENTER  
GATHERING, WE WILL MEET FOR A POOL PARTY  
AT DR. TOM & MADONNA RYAN'S HOME**

**JULY 23**

**CANOE DAY TRIP TO CHAIN O' LAKES**

**AUGUST 28**

**DIOCESAN WORLD YOUTH DAY CONFERENCE  
AT HEADWATERS PARK**

**SEPTEMBER**

**YDISCIPLE GROUPS WILL LAUNCH FOR THE SEMESTER**

**TO INQUIRE OR SIGN UP FOR ANY OF THESE EVENTS, VISIT:  
[STCHARLESFORTWAYNE.ORG/HS](http://STCHARLESFORTWAYNE.ORG/HS)**

**OR REACH OUT TO US!**

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**2021-2022 ANNUAL EMERGENCY MEDICAL CARE FORM**

**Note:** Parents must complete, sign and submit this form prior to the commencement of each Parish Youth Ministry Program year for each child enrolled in a Parish Youth Ministry Program. **Parents are responsible for updating the information on this form should changes occur during the Parish Youth Ministry Program year.**

**Consent to Emergency Medical Care**

Name of Child: \_\_\_\_\_ Parish: \_\_\_\_\_ Grade: \_\_\_\_\_

In the event of an emergency, I request that the parish make reasonable attempts to contact me at \_\_\_\_\_ (phone number) or \_\_\_\_\_ (other parent/adult) at \_\_\_\_\_ (phone number).

**I understand that in an emergency, exigent circumstances may prevent the parish from contacting me immediately, or the parish may be unable to reach me. I therefore consent to the parish taking action which it deems necessary to secure emergency medical care/treatment for my child even if I have not been contacted.** I understand that decisions concerning the type of emergency medical care or treatment administered are normally made by health care providers and not by the parish and that exigent circumstances may require the administration of emergency medical care or treatment without my prior consent. However, I have indicated below any treatment preferences I have for my child which the parish may disclose to a health care provider. (Parents/guardians may check and complete any of the following):

\_\_\_\_ Dr. \_\_\_\_\_ is my preferred physician and Dr. \_\_\_\_\_ is my preferred dentist.

\_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_\_ is my preferred hospital.

\_\_\_\_ Receipt of my consent prior to my child receiving major surgery unless the medical options of two licensed physicians or dentists, concurring in the necessity for such surgery, are obtained before surgery is performed.

\_\_\_\_ Other: \_\_\_\_\_

The parish may also disclose the following checked information to a health care provider:

\_\_\_\_ Insurance Information: Insurance Company Name: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_ Policy/Group/Claim No.: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_ The following information regarding allergies my child has, medication my child is taking, and other medical facts about my child: \_\_\_\_\_

I understand that in the event of an emergency, the parish will make reasonable efforts to notify a health care provider of the above-checked information, but I acknowledge that I am responsible for communicating such information to the appropriate medical personnel.

Check One:

\_\_\_\_ I hereby grant permission for non-prescription medication (such as non-aspirin products, i.e. acetaminophen or ibuprofen, throat lozenges, cough syrup) to be given to my child, if deemed appropriate. (We keep a first aid kit on hand for other over-the-counter medications as needed.)

\_\_\_\_ NO medication of any type, whether prescription or non-prescription, may be administered to my child unless the situation is life-threatening and emergency treatment is required.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date                      Parent/Guardian Signature                      Parent/Guardian Name Printed



## Electronic Communication Notification & Release / Photo & Media Consent & Release

**Part I.** During the 2021-2022 youth ministry program year the parish, school or organization of St. Charles Borromeo will use the following forms of communication and technology to communicate with your minor child regarding various educational or programming events.

**Parents / Guardians may check any and all of the following forms of electronic communication that they would like to approve for the parish, school, or organization to use with their minor child.** (Preparer should list all the means of electronic communication, and only those means that will be used by the youth ministry.)

- Educationally appropriate websites or applications as chosen by parish
- Flocknote email & text (You can opt out of these texts for replying STOP)
- Email on public sites such as Gmail, MSN.com, Yahoo.com
- Group text messages
- Telephone calls
- Two-way video and audio communication such as Zoom

Other public ways that we communicate ministry info:

- Parish/organization website <https://www.stcharlesfortwayne.org/HS>
- Social networking sites (not used for messaging, but used to post event pictures and reminders): Facebook <https://www.facebook.com/stcharlesydisciple>  
Instagram <https://www.instagram.com/st.charlesyouthministry/>

I grant my child, \_\_\_\_\_ (Print Name of Minor) permission to participate in the forms of electronic communication listed above in relation to the various programming events of St. Charles Borromeo.

**Would you like the parish to include you on all group communications to your minor child?**

- Yes, please copy me on all group messages sent to my minor child
- No, please DO NOT copy me on group messages sent to my minor child (I will still be copied on individual messages sent to my minor child) **Note: Parents are always put into Flocknote, you can opt out of Flocknote texts by replying STOP at any point.**

During the school year, our youth ministry primarily serves our youth through small groups that meet regularly. In order to better minister to our young people, we will establish email / text messaging groups with the youth and adult leaders of each small group. Message frequency will be significantly higher than routine event reminders. Please select one option below for communication. Parents may request to be added / removed from small group communications at any time.

**YDisciple Small Group / Retreat Planning Team Communication (select one method):**

- PARENT ONLY: I do not give permission for my child to receive any electronic communication from adult leaders; however, adult leaders may contact me (as the parent) directly in their communications.
- PARENT AND STUDENT: I give permission for my child to be included in individual and group communications with at least two adult leaders, and I would like to be copied in all of those exchanges.
- STUDENT ONLY: I give permission for my child to communicate via electronic means with at least two adult leaders along with their fellow small group / retreat planning team members.

**Part II. 2021-2022 PHOTO AND MEDIA CONSENT AND RELEASE:**

\_\_\_\_\_ I agree that St. Charles Borromeo, and/or the Diocese of Fort Wayne-South Bend may use photographs, video or other media of my child for any lawful purpose, including but not limited to such purposes as publicity, illustration, advertising, and Web content.

\_\_\_\_\_ No, I do not grant St. Charles Borromeo the right to take photographs, video or other media of my child.

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**Information shared here will be added to our Flocknote Online Communication System**

**Contact Information:**

Minor's Email Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Parent/Guardian's Email Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Minor's Cell Phone # (ONLY if approved for Text Msg/Phone Calls): \_\_\_\_\_

Parent/Guardian Cell Phone # (ONLY if approved for Text Msg/Phone Calls): \_\_\_\_\_

Please complete and return these completed forms by email to:

Emma Peat [ymassistant@scbfw.org](mailto:ymassistant@scbfw.org) Or Stacey Huneck [youthministry@scbfw.org](mailto:youthministry@scbfw.org)

Or by mail to:

St. Charles Parish Office  
Attn: Youth Ministry  
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Or send them along with your child to one of our upcoming events.