



Service Week 2024 Information Sheet for Group Leaders

Where will my teens be working?

Teens will be working at various church's, schools and social service agencies throughout our Archdiocese.

How will my teens get around to their work sites?

We will be providing busing from the St. JP II Retreat Center to the work sites and then back again each day.

Will my group be together at their sites?

No. Part of the experience is for your teens to meet and interact with new people. They will be split into a group with members from all the registered groups. They will stay in that group for the week—but move around to various sites during the week together.

What will my responsibility as a Group Leader be?

You will be assigned to a site to help oversee a group for the week. Any chaperones that you bring will also be assigned to various sites.

Will there be time for me to gather with my teens?

Yes! Each night from 10:15pm - 11pm there will be time for parishes/ schools to gather together and meet and then end the night in prayer.

Will there be a gathering for adults and leaders prior to the Service Week?

Yes - once we have all of our groups together we will coordinate a meeting for all Group Leaders and chaperones to go over all logistics for the week. The day we start we also gather all the Leaders and Adults for a meeting as well.

Will there be Mass offered?

Yes , each morning daily Mass will be celebrated in the one of the Chapels of the Retreat Center and all attendees are invited and encourage to attend.

What is the Cost for this Service Week ?

The total cost for the week long camp is \$290.00 per participant. A deposit of \$100 per participant is due to us no later then May 10th . Final payment is due in by July 12th . Please DO NOT send individual checks.

What does the cost include?

The cost includes accommodations and meals at the Retreat Center, daily programming, transportation to and back from work sites, supplies for work sites and a t-shirt/ water bottle for each participant.

Where will my teens be staying?

Accommodations will be at the St. JP II Youth Retreat Center in dorm style type rooms. Teens will be roomed with members from their own parish and or school.



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What types of work will my teens be doing?

We are compiling our list of sites now from various church's, schools and centers from throughout the Archdiocese. These may include doing:

Hands-on work This might include scraping, painting, fixing, yard work, landscaping, planting, weeding, graffiti removal, moving furniture , and possible light construction.

Service Agency work This might include helping out at day care and day camps for infants, cooking and serving meals in soup kitchens and shelters, working with food banks and clothing shops, homeless shelters other centers.

What will the daily schedule look like?

Our basic schedule will be :

7am	Wake up
7:30am	Morning Mass
8:00am	Breakfast
8:45am	Morning Program, Announcements
9am	Depart for Work Sites
4pm	Finish up - pick ups start back to Center
5:00pm	Back at Center, time to shower, change
5:30	Dinner/ Leaders Meeting
6:30	Evening Program
7:15pm	Evening Activities - examples from past years are.... Monday - Group Olympic Night Tuesday - Outdoor Movie Night Wednesday - Adoration/ Reconciliation Thursday - Pool Party / Sport Night
10pm	Parish/ School Meeting Time
11pm	In Rooms

Getting to and from the Work Camp

It is the groups responsibility to get transportation to the Retreat Center on Sunday, and then on Friday following the closing Mass Friday night.

Adult Supervision

This week is meant for a GROUP to register - not individual participants. Each group must have AT LEAST one adult here for the week. We REQUIRE a 1 to 10 ratio for your groups . The adult(s) that comes with the group is expected to stay the ENTIRE week 24/7 with the group.

Covid-19 Information

PLEASE know that unless directives change from the State or the Archdiocese, as of March 6, 2024 there are NO requirements for participants to be vaccinated or be required to wear masks.