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FROM THE DIRECTOR...

"The art of waiting in an instantaneous world"

Advent is a season of patient waiting. Oh yikes! How I hate to wait! I have become so used to our "instantaneous world" where I can access info, get quick meals and catch up with friends in the blink of an eye. Now it is almost painful to have to wait on a sluggish computer.

And yet, waiting involves trust and letting go of control (no wonder waiting bothers me so!) Recently, I had the amazing experience of prayerfully petitioning the Lord on behalf of a friend, and was absolutely blown away (to the point of tears) of how God answered my prayer. I waited on the Lord, and the Lord did not disappoint.

May this Advent allow you to refresh your waiting skills--despite the modern pressure to do just the opposite--and may you be absolutely refreshed by God's surprises for you!

Advent blessings,
Christine Edmonds

P.S. I hope you enjoy the weekly Advent meditations that are being sent to you each Sunday!

AROUND THE DIOCESE

Region 1:

Jan 15 - Winter Lock-in hosted by Independence
For details contact [Jennifer](#)

Region 2:

Dec 12 - Christmas Caroling at Holy Cross, Hutchinson, 3:00 pm
For details contact [Raschelle](#)

Region 3:

Dec 17 - Singing at Church of the Holy Spirit, Goddard 5pm, followed by Christmas Caroling
For details, contact [Gil](#)

Region 5:

Dec 30 - [Eve of the Eve Dance](#); St. Mary's (Old Church), 8-11 pm

Dates to Remember

December 9-12
NCCYM in New Orleans

December 29
Gold, Frankincense and MORE retreat

December 31
Diocesan Catholic Youth Board Apps due

January 7-8
TEC Gathering and Preparing the Grains

January 16
Adult Leaders' Workshop

January 20

March for Life Send-Off Mass

January 24
One-Day Pilgrimage to Topeka

February 18
Deadline for DCYC forms and payment

[Click here for upcoming events](#)

Theme: A Night in Hollywood; \$5 or \$20 for group of five Dress: semi-formal or formal
For details, Contact [Jen](#)

Diocesan Catholic Youth Conference (DCYC) March 26-27, 2011

- Featuring Jesse Manibusan
- Sign up deadline is Feb 18
- Click [HERE](#) to vote for your favorite adult workshop topic by December 15th!



"That together, we may be brought to perfection as one."



What am I willing to sacrifice financially to offer my support to our wonderful diocese? I can do little by myself, but [TOGETHER](#) we can do so much more!

RESOURCES

Youth Ministry Access
Still unsure about Youth Ministry Access? [Preview](#) their website before you decide. The deadline to enroll in the Diocesan Discount Program and save 20% has been extended to Friday, **Dec. 3rd**

WinterJam2011
is coming to Wichita on February 27 to Intrust Bank Arena. \$10 gets you tons of Christian live music!

"Gold, Frankincense & MORE: Together our gifts can transform the world"



A twilight retreat for College age young adults
Dec 29, 2010; 5:00-9:00 pm

ADULT TRAINING AND FORMATION

Nov 1 - Dec 19 *Changes to the Liturgy are coming.* There are two remaining chances to attend the workshop entitled "Hearers of the Word" offered by the Office of Worship:
December 12 at Holy Name in Winfield
December 19 at St. Anne in Wichita
See the attached flyer for details: ["Hearers of the Word,"](#)

Jan 16, 2011 - New Adult Youth Leaders' Workshop
Learn about the three keys to effective ministry as well as the latest vision for Catholic Youth Ministry in our diocese. This FREE workshop will be held at the Spiritual Life Center from 1:00 -4:00 pm.

Tap into NCCYM General Sessions streamed live
Go to the [NFCYM](#) website and click on the **NCCYM Live!** button to access the session via computer.
Thu, Dec 09, 7:30-10 pm, Mark Hart
Fri, Dec 10, 8:45-10:30 am, Fr. Larry Richards
Fri, Dec 10, 4:30-6:00 pm, Awards with Brian Johnson
Sat, Dec 11, 9-10:30 am, Dr. Carole Eipers
Sun, Dec 12, 9:30-11:30 am, Archbishop Gregory Aymond

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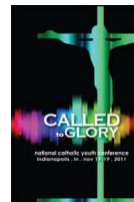
The Respect Life and Social Justice Office is sponsoring a One-Day Pilgrimage to our State Capitol on January 24, 2011. Deadline to register is **December 15, 2010.**



NCYC 2011

The National Catholic Youth Conference (NCYC) will take place Nov. 17-19, 2011 in Indianapolis, IN. This event is for high school aged youth and adult chaperones. The estimated cost is \$475 per person. Initial deposit due **January 31.** Click [here](#) to watch the best of NCYC 2009

The Magnificat Center
Our gift to you
RSVP to [Lisa](#) by Dec 20



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Diocesan Catholic Youth Board (DCYB) Applications



The DCYB is made up of two youth from each region. Candidates must be at least a sophomore by Fall of 2011. If you have youth from your parish with leadership abilities please encourage them to fill out and submit a DCYB application by **Dec. 31, 2010**. Click [HERE](#) for application form.

with Advent hope,
Youth & Young Adult Ministries Staff / Catholic Diocese of
Wichita

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