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OFFICE OF Youth & Young Adult Ministries

"Come after Me, and I will make you fishers of men." - Mark 1:17

**GoFish News: for Youth Ministry Leaders
in the Catholic Diocese of Wichita**

April 2011



I would like to extend a huge THANK YOU to all who participated in this year's Diocesan Catholic Youth Conference. What a blessing it was!



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DCYC - Thanks for the memories!

Let's move forward with the momentum generated by this event, and continue in our efforts to connect our youth TOGETHER as a diocesan family. Check out the opportunities in this newsletter.

Sincerely,
Christine Edmonds - Director

Training and Formation Leadership Development in Catholic Youth Ministry

April 14: Dinner with Region 4 adults
6:30-8:30 pm at the St. Rose Building. Bring something yummy and join in the fun!

April 30: "Spiritual Practices for the Journey: Seeing with New Eyes!" A retreat for Catholic Leaders (Youth Ministers and catechists)
Don't miss out on this wonderful opportunity to visit with fellow leaders, enjoy delicious food and renew yourself with the inspirational thoughts from Bob McCarty. Sign up SOON to assure your spot!
4 pm - 9 pm at the Magnificat Center
\$8/per person includes reception & dinner
[RSVP](#) now and no later than **April 21**



Dr. Robert McCarty



Direct Ministry to Youth Diocesan events

Didn't get enough Jesse at DCYC?

Join us on our pilgrimage to the National Catholic Youth Conference (NCYC) in Indianapolis, **November 17-19, 2011**. We have plenty of room left for your group as we join with over 20,000 youth from across the country. This year's theme is "Called to Glory" and speakers include Jesse Manibusan, Mike Patin and Mark Hart. Follow this [link](#) for info and forms.



[Teens Encounter Christ](#) (TEC) is a weekend experience for high school juniors and seniors. Registrations are being accepted for the **June 11-13** weekend to be held in Hutchinson.

Registration for **Camp Totus Tuus** is in full gear. The early registration deadline is **May 1**; please register and postmark your payment before then in order to qualify for the discount. Details are available [online](#).

Coming soon to a region near you: **Upside Down Leadership Camp**
Region 1: September 11
Regions 2 & 3: September 18
Regions 4 & 5: August 28

RESOURCES

[Catholic Youth Foundation](#) (CYFUSA) is now accepting grant applications for 2012 for worthy Catholic Youth Ministry projects!

The movie "Soul Surfer" open on April 8. Ministry resource guides and group tickets are available at the [Wave](#) website.

John Paul II beatification is set for May 1 - Divine Mercy Sunday! The Vatican has created a [facebook page](#) and YouTube channel devoted to John Paul II.

[Young Neighbors in Action](#) (YNIA) has some openings for summer mission trips around the country. It is not too late to join in on one of these amazing experiences.

The Vatican has released a new book for teens called **YouCat** to help them understand and grow in the Catholic faith. Copies will be available in our office or you can find them at Amazon.com

Around the Diocese

Regional Activities

Region 2:

April 2 - **Spring Fest at St. Mary's in Newton** with Region II 3-on-3 basketball tournament at 12:30 pm; Mass at 5:30 pm followed by pizza and dance (open to diocese.) Tourney fee is \$20; pizza and dance is \$5/person or \$3 with can of fruit or package of pasta. For more info contact [Raschelle](#).

Region 3:

April 10 - Singing at Zenda 10:00 am Mass
April 30-May 1 -- **Divine Mercy Lock-In** (Garden Plain)
For more information, contact [Gil](#).

Region 4:

April 14 - **Adult Youth Ministry Leaders' Pot-Luck Dinner** (6:30-8:30 pm) at the St. Rose Building (at the corner of 3rd and Broadway). Join us for good food, good company and good conversation.

Congratulations to the 1st and 2nd place winning teams for the Region 4 Volleyball Tournament. SEAS took 1st and OLPH took 2nd!



1st place winners from SEAS



2nd place team from OLPH

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Youth & Young Adult Ministries fan page includes resources, quotes and tips!

Calendar of Events

Special Announcements

YOUTH SERVICE OPPORTUNITY

Exercise your Lenten acts of charity at **LOVE Wichita** on Saturday, April 30. Young people are encouraged to join teams of Catholics who will clean, paint, touch and transform the city! Adult supervision at the work sites will be provided. Call the Respect Life and Social Justice Office at 316-269-3935 by **April 14** to register.

"Hey, Seniors! Stay Connected" is a project designed to help track graduating high school seniors and invite them to College Age Ministry activities and events. Please encourage your seniors to complete this brief [online survey](#) by **May 30** and assure them that the info will *only* be used for Catholic Ministry announcements.

About Youth & Young Adult Ministries / Catholic Diocese of Wichita

The mission of our office is to support parishes in responding to the needs of youth and young adults, empowering them to live as disciples of Jesus Christ in the Catholic faith.

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What's new in the library?

For Youth:

*****Win It All: The Way to Heaven for Catholic Teens** by Justin Fatica. The author contradicts the barrage of ungodly messages about sex, drugs, violence, and hate that teenagers ingest every day through media and pop culture.

*****Rediscovering Catholicism** by Matthew Kelly. The author reveals the essence of authentic Catholic spirituality while addressing some important questions faced today by young Catholics.

For Adults:

*****My First Ninety Days in Ministry: How to Make a Splash Without Getting All Wet** by Group Publishing. Some practical tips for those just starting out in Youth Ministry

*****Leadership for Catholic Youth Ministry: A Comprehensive Resource** by Thomas East. Includes a practical implementation of *Renewing the Vision: A Framework for Catholic Youth Ministry* by the US Bishops plus, vision, theological foundations and pastoral practices.

DVDs:

*** **The Diary of Immaculee** reveals the horrific, yet inspiring, true story of a remarkable woman's experiences in the midst of one of history's most tragic events in Rwanda.

*****Feeding Hungry Hearts: Celebrating the Eucharist** with Fr. Joe Kempf. This 45-minute video walks us through the celebration of the Mass and

April 14 Region 4 pot-luck dinner for adult youth leaders

April 30 "Spiritual Practices for the Journey: Seeing with New Eyes" Retreat evening for adults

June 11-13 TEC weekend in Hutchinson

July 23-25 TEC weekend in Pittsburg

July 29-31 YABE weekend in Wichita

Quick Links

[Catholic Scouting](#)
[National Federation for Catholic Youth Ministry](#)
[Totus Tuus of Wichita](#)
[Youth & Young Adult Ministries](#)

HELP WANTED Office Coordinator

Once again, our office is seeking a full-time Office Coordinator to join our Faith Formation Team as we bid farewell to Vanessa who has moved on to another promising position. Resumes will be accepted through April 6th.

opens us to a new appreciation of--and awe for--the Sacrament of the Eucharist.

Contact our office to check out these library resources FREE of charge

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