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FROM THE DIRECTOR...

Please allow me to suggest three "Rs" for summertime:

1) Relaxation
Take some time for yourself this summer! Need a kick-start to kicking back? Join us for the Youth Ministry Leaders' Retreat on June 12-13, 2009 at the Magnificat Center (Sisters of St. Joseph.)
2) Recreation
Do something fun and do something out of doors! Getting back to nature is good for both body AND soul. If your recreation involves your parish youth, check out this Summer Youth Trips Checklist.
3) Renewal
Learn something new! Attend the KARE Conference in Salina July 24-26, attend the Orientation to Catholic Youth Ministry presentation on August 23, read a great book, or take an online class that interests you. Learning new ideas and skills is very refreshing.

Blessings!
Chris Edmonds

ADULT YOUTH MINISTRY LEADERS' RETREAT

"Treat" yourself to some relaxation and fun!

June 12
6:30 pm dinner and evening social

June 13
8:00 am - 2:30 pm
Mass; presentations and personal time

Location--The Magnificat Center at the Sisters of St. Joseph Motherhouse. $5 per day or $30 to include overnight accommodations in a private room. RSVPs accepted through **June 1, 2009**

"Friendship is born at that moment when one person says to another, 'What! You too? I thought I was the only one.'" **- C.S. Lewis**

Dates to Remember

MAY 15
Totus Tuus Camp Earlybird signup

May 18
June TEC signup deadline

June 6-8
TEC in Hutchinson

June 13
A Summer's Eve Dance in Schulte

June 15
Senior Stay Connected Sign-up

July 11-13
TEC in St. Paul

July 19
TEC Summer Bash

July 24-26
YABE in Wichita

click here for full calendar

CARE FOR THE POOR RESOURCES

Preparing for Your Mission Trip Journey: A Practical & Spiritual Guide **from Glenmary Home Missions**

Global Poverty & Solidarity: Curriculum for Youth **from Walk with the Poor, CFCA**
(available in our library)

Senior "Stay Connected" Sign-Up

Post-cards have started to flow into our office. This is an easy way for your parish to help your high school graduates stay involved in their Catholic faith. Simply download this flyer and ask your seniors to complete the post-card portion and return it to our office by **June 15, 2009.**

ADULT TRAINING AND FORMATION

In the Diocese/State:

Jun 12-13 - Adult Youth Ministry Leaders' Retreat at the Magnificat Center. **RSVP by June 1, 2009.**

Jun 12-14 - "Purposely for God: Being our Best Devoted Selves" with Fr. John Graden, OSFS at the Spiritual Life Center.Earlybird discount rate of $120 per person (double occupancy) if paid in full by Friday, May 29, 2009

Jul 12-20 - Individually Directed Retreat with various spiritual directors at the Spiritual Life Center. Choose between 5 or 8 days.

Jul 24-26 - KARE conference in Salina; featuring Dr. Robert McCarty, executive director of the National Federation for Catholic Youth Ministry (NFCYM.) **Scholarship deadline is June 1, 2009.**

Outside of the Diocese:
Jul 28-31 - Institute for New Youth Ministers - Chicago, IL. Register by May 15 and save $50.

The Archdiocese of Omaha will be hosting the following programs from the Center for Ministry Development towards a Certificate in Youth Ministry Studies:

- Sep 12-13, 2009 - Principles of Youth Ministry
- Nov 7-8, 2009 - Practices of Youth Ministry
- Feb 6-7, 2010 - Foundations for Ministry Leadership
- Mar 20-21, 2010 - Skills for Ministry Leadership

Credit available through Creighton University. Download brochure for more information

Coming this Fall:
The Religious Studies Program at the Spiritual Life Center will be offering 5 individual courses: Catechetics; Intro to the Old Testament; Intro to Church History; Christian Sprituality. Check out their website for more information.

DIRECT MINISTRY FOR YOUTH

***Planning a Youth Service Week* from Twenty-Third Publications.**
(available in our library)

Catholic Climate Covenant
Download the St. Francis Pledge to Care for Creation and the Poor

OPPORTUNITY TO ATTEND STEUBENVILLE SOUTH

Fr. Brian Nelson is taking a bus to Steubenville South in Alexandria, LA and has space available. The bus will leave out of Hutchinson on June 26 and return on June 29. The cost is $310, call Fr. Nelson right away if you are interested, 620-662-6443.

UPSIDE DOWN LEADERSHIP TRAINING FOR YOUTH

Designed for youth in parish and regional leadership positions.

Aug 2 - All Saints Parish, Wichita
Aug 16 - St. Teresa Parish, Hutchinson
Sep 13 - St. Francis Xavier Parish, Cherryvale

- TEC weekend - June 6-8, 2009, Hutchinson
- A Summer's Eve Dance - June 13, 2009, Schulte
- TEC weekend - July 11-13, 2009, St. Paul
- TEC Summer Bash - July 19, 2009, Wichita
- YABE weekend - July 24-26, 2009, Wichita

Card Shower for Fr. Andy

St. Peter Schulte is organizing a Card Shower for Fr. Andy Kuykendall as he recovers from colon cancer surgery.

Fr. Andy's 31st Ordination Anniversary is May 20.

We invite everyone to help us show him that we miss him, and how special he is to us by sending him a card **during the month of May**. Cards may be dropped off at the Parish Office or mailed to:

Fr. Andy Kuykendall
St. Peter Church
11000 Southwest Blvd
Wichita, KS. 67215

The cards will be delivered as we receive them.
Thank you for helping us "shower" him with love!

Camp Totus Tuus

Early registration (with discounts) for Camp Totus Tuus ends **May 15.** Register online at their website.

THERE IS A BALM...

Separation
Divorce
Death

These are challenging and painful experiences for adults, and also for their children.

Young Adult Beginning Experience (YABE) offers a weekend retreat for teens and young adults designed to assist in dealing with these losses.

The remaining date for 2009 is **July 24-26** at the Magnificat Center in Wichita.

Download brochure and pass it on to whomever may need it.

May the Spirit of God fill your hearts,

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$15 per person for 5 hour workshop; snacks; and all materials. RSVP 2 weeks before the date you plan to attend

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