MISSION
The Office of Youth and Young Adult Ministry (OYYAM) empowers parishes within the Diocese of Honolulu to serve today’s young people and the adults called to guide them so that together we might build the kingdom of God.

As the OYYAM carries out its mission, it remains faithful to the teachings of the Catholic Church and follows the framework as set forth by the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops in their documents *Renewing the Vision: A Framework for Catholic Youth Ministry* and *Sons and Daughters of the Light: A Pastoral Plan for Ministry with Young Adults*.

WHAT WE DO
Specifically, we empower those engaged in Youth Ministry and/or Young Adult Ministry to respond to the needs of today’s young people by:

- Providing parish support through consultations, resources, team training, networking parishes within vicariates, and communication.
- Providing leadership training which includes specific training on youth ministry and/or young adult ministry skills and issues, and appropriate leadership formation for young people.
- Providing opportunities for pre-teens, teens, and young adults to experience the larger church community through Diocesan and/or Vicariate Youth Days, Diocesan and/or Vicariate Young Adult events, pilgrimages, and retreats.
In this booklet you will find information about events and programming which we coordinate throughout the year and ways we serve parish leaders in their calling to lead young people closer to Christ and incorporate them more deeply into the life of the parish. It contains an overview of opportunities designed to support Coordinators of Youth Ministry and Young Adult Ministry leaders and the many programs offered to engage young people.
FOR YOUTH
JUST5DAYS
JULY 6-10, 2020

Just5Days is a five day service mission for Catholic middle school youth and their adult leaders. It provides hands on service experience, faith-centered learning, community prayer experiences, and summertime fun.

Just5Days is just for middle school-aged youth. It is open to all youth entering 7th, 8th, or 9th grades. Participants register through their Catholic parish or school as part of a team. One adult (25 years or older) serves as the team leader. Additional adults must be 21 years old or older. There must be two adult chaperones for the first group of up to ten youth (after that, you must add one more adult for each additional six youth. For example, 2 adults for 10 youth, 3 adults for 11-16 youths, 4 adults for 17-22 youths, etc.). Be sure that you have both male and female chaperones in proportion to the gender make-up of the group.

All adults must be in compliance with Diocese of Honolulu Safe Environment Policy (i.e. all adults must have a cleared background check and complete the initial safe environment training).

WHY CHOOSE JUST5DAYS?

We believe that every Catholic middle school youth should experience a mission trip that connects the hands of service with the heart of Jesus. Just5Days models Christian discipleship by connecting hands on community service work with the teachings of our Catholic faith.

Each participating group is provided with pre-trip materials and personalized support to make this week a powerful and transformative mission week. Once you are registered, you will receive a Team Participation Manual to help prepare your young people and adults for a great week at Just5Days. During your Just5Days week, our program staff will guide the prayers, learning sessions, and activities which will allow you more time with your young people.

In addition to the parish teams of youth participants and adult supervisors, the Just5Days staff includes a Program Director, Site Coordinator, and Prayer and Music Coordinator. All are trained professionals with experience working with youth.

Just5Days is sponsored by the Center for Ministry Development and hosted by the Office of Youth and Young Adult Ministry.

TYPE OF EVENT: Retreat, Service Learning Themed
TARGET AUDIENCE: Middle schoolers and adult chaperones, including parents
TIME AND PLACE: Summer 2020, St. Stephen Diocesan Center (Oahu)
WEBSITE: www.catholichawaii.org/oyyam/ym/j5d
The Christian Leadership Institute – Hawai‘i (CLI-HI) provides an opportunity for high school students to develop skills for leadership and ministry. The weeklong experience challenges young people to share insights and knowledge and to foster one another’s learning experiences in group settings to more firmly reinforce participants’ ownership of skills and content for use in their unique settings.

The Christian Leadership Institute fosters growth in the participants’ personal and communal faith through the opportunity to take part in and to plan daily prayer and worship experiences, and through sessions particularly focused on prayer and Christian leadership. The journaling process of the program also encourages participants to log their reflections each day and to consider what the materials presented and their own experiences tell them about themselves, their gifts, skills and growing edges, and their faith and community identity. CLI-HI is open to all high school youth entering grades 10 through 12 who exhibit leadership potential. Students must be recommended by a youth minister or other adult. It is important to note that CLI-HI is a week of training and not a retreat.

**Goals of the Christian Leadership Institute**

1. Each young person will learn skills for leadership and ministry in a series of workshops covering topics such as Community Building, Leadership Styles, Communication Skills, Planning Skills, Group Dynamics, and Negotiation Skills
2. Each young person will use the above skills by taking responsibility for many different aspects of the program throughout the week, by participating in planning key elements of each day, and evaluating these efforts.
3. Each young person will grow in personal awareness by participating in other workshops that discuss and experience aspects of Christian Leadership, Living in Community, Spirituality of the Leader and Affirmation.
4. Each young person will gain knowledge and experience in the development of liturgical experiences by taking part in the planning of prayer and Mass. It should be noted, however, that this program is not primarily a liturgy planning training program.
5. Participants will work hard and gain exposure and acquaintance with materials and good processes for planning. Supplemental information, practice and experience on a local level are a must for their continued development.

**Type of Event:** Leadership training program  
**Target Audience:** High School youth  
**Time and Place:** Summer 2020, St. Stephen Diocesan Center (Oahu)  
**Website:** [www.catholichawaii.org/oyyam/cli-hi](http://www.catholichawaii.org/oyyam/cli-hi)
Diocesan Youth Day (DYD) is a biennial gathering of youth from across the diocese. On Palm Sunday in 1984 the first international meeting of youth was held in St. Peter’s Square. This started the tradition of World Youth Day, as well as other world and diocesan gatherings. Each year, the Holy Father announces the theme for World Youth Days. Dioceses are invited to celebrate young people locally on the years that there is no international celebration. From this invitation we find the origin of our own Diocesan Youth Day.

Diocesan Youth Day offers young people a vivid experience of faith and communion. The principal objective of this event is to make the person of Jesus the center of the faith and live of every young person so that He maybe their constant point of reference and also the inspiration of every initiative and commitment they make in their life, so that they can be “witnesses to Jesus.”

The day includes keynote presentations, breakout sessions, prayer and liturgy, a ministry and vocations fair, and most importantly, the chance for youth to meet other youth. DYD also offers an adult track.

**Type of Event:** One Day gathering of youth from across the diocese

**Target Audience:** High school aged youth and their adult chaperones, including parents

**Time and Place:** DYD is held on the 4th Saturday in October on even years. In 2020 DYD will take place October 24, with location TBD.

**Website:** [www.catholichawaii.org/oyyam/ym/dyd](http://www.catholichawaii.org/oyyam/ym/dyd)
How do we keep our teens Catholic in college?

The Newman connection is a non-profit organization dedicated to providing a national support structure and a unified brand to Catholic College Campus Ministry. They assist these campus ministries in their growth by:

- Providing a national outreach program, connecting students from all over the country to campus ministry.
- Establishing a national prayer hours specifically forth benefit of campus ministry.
- Creating educational programming that is available online, in the classroom, or in the field on a retreat.

80% of students stop practicing their faith at some point during college, while only 15% look for a campus ministry on their own. Newman Connection uses a centralized referral system to connect graduation high school students to their Catholic campus ministry, allowing campus ministers to contact their incoming students even before they arrive on campus.

College is a crucial time in a student’s life to grow and unite with other Catholics. College graduates who have been active in campus ministry are more likely to attend Mass, to volunteer for leadership roles in parishes, and to consider religious vocations. As part of our pastoral responsibility, we want to support these students as they embark on this next step in their lives.

Parishes can use this tool to help their students who are going off to college to connect with their respective college campus ministry.

**Type of Event:** Online Referral Service

**Target Audience:** High School Seniors and others beginning college

**Website:** [www.catholichawaii.org/oyyam/ym/newman](http://www.catholichawaii.org/oyyam/ym/newman)

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**Diocesan Baccalaureate Mass**

Diocesan Baccalaureate Mass with Bishop Larry Silva is held annually on Oahu (location TBD). Graduates from middle school, high school, colleges and universities, their family and friends are invited to attend. A reception with light refreshments will follow the Mass. This Mass is held annually in April or May. Contact OYYAM for more information.
The National Catholic Youth Conference (NCYC) is a powerful, biennial, three-day experience of prayer, community, and empowerment for Catholic teenagers (high-school aged) and their adult chaperones.

The schedule includes keynote presentations, prayer, workshops, liturgy, and opportunities to participate in reconciliation and adoration of the Blessed Sacrament, as well as recreational activities, concerts, and exhibits. A key component of NCYC is the thematic park which is a blend of traditional exhibit booths with interactive areas featuring service projects, games, recreation, live musical performances, arts, and sports. NCYC is sponsored by the National Federation for Catholic Youth Ministry, Inc. (NFCYM).

Attending NCYC is more than just a vacation or a fun trip, but can be a life-changing experience. NCYC should be seen as a pilgrimage. The goals of a pilgrimage, especially for youth, should reflect the general goals for youth ministry found in *Renewing the Vision*.

**Why Attend the NCYC?**

Youth and their adult chaperones attend NCYC because they want to:

- Gather together with other Catholic youth on a national level
- Learn more about themselves and their relationship to God and the Catholic Church
- Celebrate their Catholic Faith
- Meet thousands of other Catholic youth
- Share beliefs and experiences
- Recognize their role in the life of the Catholic Church

**TYPE OF EVENT:** Conference  
**TARGET AUDIENCE:** High schoolers and their adult chaperones, including parents  
**TIME AND PLACE:** Held on odd years, usually the third weekend in November, in Indianapolis, Indiana  
**WEBSITE:** [www.catholichawaii.org/oyyam/ym/ncyc](http://www.catholichawaii.org/oyyam/ym/ncyc)
Catholic Scouting

Religious Emblems

As a ministry in the Diocese of Honolulu, the Diocese of Honolulu Catholic Committee on Scouting (DHCCS) promotes the spiritual phase of scouting in the State of Hawaii. It provides Catholic religious emblems and award programs to help our scouts grow in their Catholic faith and develop the decision-making skills to live out Christian values. To support inclusion of the Catholic faith in these programs, our local bishop celebrates, annually, a Scout Mass to award religious emblems to youth who participated and completed the program requirements. The ultimate goal of these religious recognitions is to help foster discipleship among our Catholic scouts.

* indicates program is led by parent
** indicates program is led by a Certified Religious Emblems Coordinator (REC)

American Heritage Girls & Girl Scouts of the USA

American Heritage Girls and Girl Scouts of the USA use the religious emblems program developed by the National Federation for Catholic Youth Ministry (www.nfcym.org), which established six religious emblems for girls:

- **GOD IS LOVE**: Designed for girls in K-1st grade*
- **FAMILY OF GOD**: Designed for girls in grades 2-3*
- **I LIVE MY FAITH**: Designed for girls in grades 4-5*
- **MARY, THE FIRST DISCIPLE**: Designed for girls in grades 6-8**
- **THE SPIRIT ALIVE**: Designed for girls in grades 9-10**
- **MISSIO**: Designed for girls in grades 11-12**

For more information, visit the American Heritage Girls’ National Catholic Committee at www.americanheritagegirls.org/catholiccommittee or the National Catholic Committee for Girl Scouts USA and Camp Fire USA at www.catholicreligiousrecognitions.org

Boy Scouts of America

The National Catholic Committee on scouting (NCCS) established four religious emblems for Catholic youth, two for Cub scouts and two for Boy Scouts or Venture Scouts:

- **LIGHT OF CHRIST**: 6-7 year old (Tiger or Wolf) Cub Scouts*
- **PARVULI DEI**: 8-10 year old (Bear or Webelos) Cub Scouts*
- **AD ALTARE DEI**: Designed for 13-14 year old youth, but open to all Boy Scouts and Venturing Crew members**
- **POPE PIUS XII**: Designed for Boy Scouts and Venturing Crew members 15 years old and older**

For more information, visit NCCS at www.nccs-bsa.org
TRAIL LIFE USA

The National Catholic Committee of Trail Life USA announced the development of four religious emblems for Catholic Trailmen, one for Woodlands Trail (K-5th grade), one for Navigators (grades 6-8), and two for Adventurers (grades 9-12), and release of program materials is in development.

FAMILIA DEI
Designed for 5-10 year old Trailmen in the Woodlands Trail Program

FRATRES IN CHRISTO
Designed for 11-13 year old Trailmen in the Navigators Program

CHRISTUM REGNUM
Designed for 14-16 year old Trailmen in the Adventurers Program

SWORD OF ST. MICHAEL
Designed for 16-18 year old Trailmen in the Adventurers Program

For more information, visit the National Catholic Committee of Trail Life USA at www.catholictrail.com

SCOUT ORGANIZATIONS

AMERICAN HERITAGE GIRLS (AHG) is a Christ-centered leadership and character development program for girls 5 to 18 years of age. AHG is dedicated to the mission of building women of integrity through service to God, family, community, and country. Website: www.americanheritagegirls.org. For more information on AHG, please contact: Charmaine Garcia or Richelle Benson at ahg.hio001.olgc@gmail.com.

BOY SCOUTS OF AMERICA (BSA)'s goal is to train youth in responsible citizenship, character development, and self-reliance through participation in a wide range of outdoor activities, educational programs, and, at older age levels, career-oriented programs in partnership with community organizations. Website: www.scouting.org. For more information on BSA, please contact: John Fielding or Lisa Sakamoto at saintdamienscouts@gmail.com or lsakamoto@rcchawaii.org.

GIRL SCOUTS OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA (GSUSA) builds girls of courage, confidence, and character, who make the world a better place. Website: www.girlscouts.org. For more information on GSUSA, please contact: Tami Cortez at dhhcs.hi@gmail.com.

TRAIL LIFE USA (TLUSA) is a Church-Based, Christ-Centered, Boy-Focused mentoring and discipleship journey that speaks to the heart of a boy. Boys are engaged in a troop setting by male mentors where they are challenged to grow in character, understand their purpose, serve their community, and develop practical leadership skills to carry out the mission for which they were created. Website: www.traillifeusa.com. For more information on TLUSA, please contact dhhcs.hi@gmail.com.

For more information on Adult Leadership Structure and Youth Protection Requirements for each scout organization please see our website.

E-MAIL: DHCCS.HI@gmail.com
WEBSITE: www.catholicwai.org/catholicscouting
The Middle School Youth Rally is an annual one-day gathering of middle school youth (grades 6-8). It takes place on the island of Maui. It is planned by Maui CLI-HI alumni and their adult leaders. This event is intended to be a high-energy day filled with a keynote speaker, prayer and liturgy, fun activities and games, breakout sessions, and a chance to meet other youth.

**Type of Event:** Rally/Conference  
**Target Audience:** Middle schoolers and adult chaperones, including parents  
**Time and Place:** Date and Specific Location TBD (on Maui)  
**For More Information:** Contact OYYAM

**Vocation Discernment**  
Resources to help your youth

The Office of Youth and Young Adult Ministry partners with the Office of Vocations to provide Vocational Discernment resources to young people and their leaders so that they might better be able to answer the question “What does God want me to do with my life?” Resources are available from sources such as Vianney Vocations and include pamphlets and programming for all levels. The offices also intend to provide retreat experiences focused on vocational discernment for both young men and young women. Dates are still TBD. Please contact OYYAM or the Office of Vocations for more information.

**Respect Life**  
Fostering a Pro-Life Perspective in Our Youth

The Office of Youth and Young Adult Ministry partners with the Respect Life Office to provide information to young people and their adult leaders to help foster a Culture of Life, where every human being is valued and protected from the moment of fertilization until natural death. Events include the Life Symposium held in November. Please contact OYYAM or the Respect Life Office for more information. Pro-Life resources can be found at [www.bit.ly/prolifeNDDI](http://www.bit.ly/prolifeNDDI)
## Other Events

National opportunities for middle school youth and/or high school youth. These programs are currently not endorsed, sponsored, or coordinated by the OYYAM.

### Holy Fire

Holy Fire is a national Catholic one-day faith experience for middle school youth, developed in collaboration with a host diocese and nearby regions. Its mission is to ignite the hearts of young people with the love of Christ and to inspire them to live as disciples of Jesus Christ in the world.

[www.nfcym.org/holyfire](http://www.nfcym.org/holyfire)

### Young Neighbors In Action

The High School Version of Just5Days, run by CMD. YNIA helps youth encounter Christ through a week-long Catholic experience of service, community, and prayer.

[www.cmdnet.org/ynia-home](http://www.cmdnet.org/ynia-home)

### Life Teen Summer Camps

Summer camp with Life Teen is an incredible opportunity to bring your teens into an incredible experience of life. Life Teen provides experiences at summer camp where your middle school youth and high school teens are able to be free and confident in themselves, develop new friendships with other teens from your parish, and encounter God working in their lives. Dates and locations vary, but the closest camp takes place in Big Bear, California.

[www.lifeteen.com/camps/summer-camp/](http://www.lifeteen.com/camps/summer-camp/)

### Notre Dame Vision

Notre Dame Vision is a 5-day experience on the Notre Dame Campus designed to help participants discover and renew God’s call in their lives. Connect your youth with hundreds of other high school students as they learn from the witness of the saints and develop practices to live their faith. Immerse them in the Notre Dame campus and sharpen their spiritual vision to recognize God’s grace at work in their lives.

[https://mcgrath.nd.edu/conferences/summer-institute/vision-youth-conference/](https://mcgrath.nd.edu/conferences/summer-institute/vision-youth-conference/)

### Steubenville Conferences

Weekend long summer youth conferences held at various sites and dates across the mainland.

[https://steubenvilleconferences.com/events/main-campus/](https://steubenvilleconferences.com/events/main-campus/)
FOR ADULTS
The Office of Youth and Young Adult Ministry offers consultation services for your convenience in building up a new ministry or evaluating what is already in place.

The Comprehensive Youth Ministry Parish Self-Assessment Tool is a worksheet by which parishes can evaluate their current Youth Ministry programming. The tool evaluates different elements of programming into three categories: “this needs growth,” “we try to do this,” and “we do this well.” Areas of evaluation include regular gathered programming, areas of catechesis and faith development, and youth involvement in the larger parish community. This tool can be found at https://catholichawaii.org/oyyam

Individual consultations, either by phone or in person, can be scheduled with the OYYAM at oyyam@rcchawaii.org or (808)203-6763.
The following workshops are provided by OYYAM. Contact OYYAM to schedule a workshop, or visit the website for upcoming sessions.

**Overview of Youth Ministry**

**Purpose**
This workshop helps parish leaders come to fuller understanding of comprehensive youth ministry as outlined in Renewing the Vision: A Framework for Catholic Youth Ministry (USCCB, 1997). The workshop explores the ways that a parish can effectively minister to young people within the context of the parish, including the family and wider community.

**Audience**
This workshop is for parish staff, parish leaders, and interested youth ministry volunteers, including young people. This will work best with parishes that currently have no youth ministry, or who have a limited approach.

**Organizing a Team for Youth Ministry**

**Purpose**
This workshop helps parish leaders create a leadership structure for youth ministry that includes youth and adults. The workshop explores the need for a variety of leaders and the reasons why different roles are necessary and helpful in sustaining youth ministry over many years.

**Audience**
This workshop is for parish staff, parish leaders, and interested youth ministry volunteers, including young people.

**Developing Volunteer Leaders for Youth Ministry**

**Purpose**
This workshop will assist parish leaders in recruiting, training, and supporting adults and youth for volunteer leadership in youth ministry. Included in this workshop are the tools necessary to create the roles descriptions that will assist these volunteers in knowing what they are being asked to do and will help parish leaders in recruiting volunteers based on interests and gifts.

**Audience**
This workshop is for parish staff, parish leaders, and interested youth ministry volunteers, including young people. It can be used in helping to create a youth ministry team in a parish with no current youth ministry, or for creating a team to support an on-going youth ministry.
Planning for Dynamic Youth Ministry

Purpose
This workshop helps parishes assess their current strengths and weaknesses, identify resources for youth ministry, and develop a practical plan for developing more effective ministry with adolescents.

Audience
This workshop is designed for youth ministry leaders, including young people. This workshop is targeted at a group that wishes to plan for a season of ministry.

Becoming a Youth Friendly Parish

Purpose
This workshop helps parish leaders imagine together the parish’s ability to minister to young people throughout all of parish life. Participants will discuss ways to include youth throughout parish life and discover ways that they can collaborate more fully to make young people feel welcomed in all ministries. Parish leaders will discover new ways that they can have a positive effect on youth and on the parish’s youth ministry.

Audience
This workshop is for all parish staff, parish leaders, parish councils, and youth ministry leaders. It will work best with a variety of parish leaders in attendance. This workshop is designed to have a wide variety of parish ministers in attendance.

Empowering Youth for Parish Leadership

Purpose
This workshop helps parishes develop strategies for involving youth in leadership within youth ministry and other parish ministries. Participants will explore ways to open up parish organizations and ministries to youth and to prepare the adult community for youth involvement.

Audience
This workshop may be offered for two distinct audiences. Ideally, the audience would be a variety of parish leaders (staff, pastoral council, heads of committees, members of the youth ministry team, etc.). If this is not possible, youth ministry leaders can participate in the session to learn to serve as advocates within the parish to encourage staff, pastoral council, heads of committees, etc. to involve youth more fully in their work.
Hiring and Supporting a Coordinator of Youth Ministry

Purpose
This workshop assists a parish in preparing to hire a Coordinator of Youth Ministry (CYM). The session includes creating a job description and budget for the CYM, a guide through the search process, and a plan for orientation, support, and supervision.

Audience
This workshop is for a hiring committee from a parish, tasked with hiring a coordinator of youth ministry. This can include parish staff, pastors, youth ministry volunteers, parish council members, youth, parents, etc.

Understanding Youth Today

Purpose
This workshop helps parish leaders understand the developmental changes that young people are experiencing during early and older adolescence and how these changes affect the type of ministry that we offer. Participants will also explore how faith changes during these adolescent years and ways that ministry can address and support these changes.

Audience
This workshop is for youth ministry volunteers, and other adults who are interested in knowing about adolescent development. This might include parents and catechists, as well as parish staff and leaders.

Planning for Retreat Ministry

Purpose
This workshop assists parishes in developing an understanding more about the basic structures of retreats, the different elements that are necessary for effective retreats, and provides the opportunity to design a retreat.

Audience
This workshop is for youth ministry leaders, including youth.

Ministering to Middle School Adolescents

Purpose
This workshop helps parishes know and understand how to minister particularly to young adolescents. The workshop includes information about the developmental and faith needs of young adolescents and models for Middle School Youth Ministry that are effective.

Audience
This workshop is for parish staff, parish leaders, and youth ministry leaders, including young people. This workshop should include those who are currently involved in catechetical efforts with young adolescents.
**Engaging Youth in Liturgy**

**Purpose**
This workshop helps parish leaders explore ways that they can more fully involve adolescents in the Eucharistic celebrations of the parish. The workshop focuses on ways that youth ministry can prepare young people for their involvement in the sacred liturgy and ways that the parish community can ensure that young people are engaged, involved, and welcomed at Mass.

**Audience**
This workshop is for parish staff, parish leaders, liturgy committees/ministers, and interested youth ministry volunteers, including young people.

**Many Faces in God’s House**

**Purpose**
This workshop helps parish leaders come to a fuller understanding how Catholic Youth Ministry can minister effectively to all of the cultural groups represented within their parish community. Participants will explore the importance of creating room for cultural differences while maintaining unity within the diversity in youth ministry and learn how to engage all young people in appreciating the richness of other cultures.

**Audience**
This workshop is for parish staff and youth ministry leaders, including young people. It is essential that leaders from all cultural groups of the parish participate within the workshop.

**Involving Youth in Service**

**Purpose**
This workshop helps parish leaders develop a stronger justice and service component within youth ministry by teaching strategies to involve youth in direct service in meaningful ways. This workshop will also examine how to do intentional justice education and infuse Catholic social teaching into all youth ministry efforts.

**Audience**
This workshop is designed for use with youth ministry leaders, including youth.

**Creating Gathered Youth Events**

**Purpose**
This workshop helps parish leaders plan successful youth ministry programming. Workshop participants will learn how to create a focus for the program, put together the needed program element, and plan for success. Additionally, participants will learn how to evaluate resources and program designs.

**Audience**
This workshop is for youth ministry leaders, both youth and adults.
PLANNING MEANINGFUL PRAYER EXPERIENCES

PURPOSE
This workshop helps parish leaders come to fuller understanding of the elements of a meaningful prayer experience. Participants will have the opportunity to learn effective ways to plan for prayer within youth ministry and to preside at prayer.

AUDIENCE
This workshop is for youth ministry leaders, both youth and adults.

PLANNING MEANINGFUL PRAYER EXPERIENCES

PURPOSE
Part training day, part retreat. We want to equip middle school and high school youth ministry core team members with the tools and techniques that their ministry needs to not just survive, but to thrive. We’ll cover essentials like relational ministry, planning and executing youth nights, and small group facilitation. We’ll also spend time reflecting on our own lives as Disciples of Christ and hone our ability to speak to that message.

AUDIENCE
This day is for both new and veteran core team members, including young people.

BRINGING HOPE AND MERCY TO YOUTH

PURPOSE
Learn how to identify and support youth when they face life’s toughest issues (i.e. homelessness, LGBT, suicides, bullying, and more) by developing and implementing a comprehensive pastoral plan using parish or outside resources.

AUDIENCE
This workshop is for parish staff, parish leaders, and youth ministry leaders. This workshop should include those who are currently involved in catechetical efforts with young adolescents.

MISUNDERSTANDINGS AND TRUTHS:
A PASTORAL APPROACH TO MINISTERING WITH YYA ON THE TOPIC OF HOMOSEXUALITY

PURPOSE
This workshop provides participants with an introduction and overview of the Church’s teaching on homosexuality and brings clarity to misconceptions on the topic. Participants will also be presented with some practical approaches to the topic in their ministry to youth and young adults.

AUDIENCE
This workshop is for parish staff and parish leaders, to include youth ministry leaders and young adult ministry leaders.
TESTIFY: CORE TEAM TRAINING/RETREAT

PURPOSE
Part training day, part retreat. We want to equip middle school and high school youth ministry core team members with the tools and techniques that their ministry needs to not just survive, but to thrive. We'll cover essentials like relational ministry, planning and executing youth nights, and small group facilitation. We'll also spend time reflecting on our own lives as disciples of Christ, and hone our ability to speak to that message.

AUDIENCE
This day is for both new and veteran core team members, including young people.

FOR MORE INFORMATION: www.catholichawaii.org/oyyam/ym/sharing-the-vision
The Holy Father, in his encyclical “Evangelii Gaudium” challenged the laity to stay true to the Church’s central mission of preaching “the beauty of the saving love of God made manifest in Jesus Christ”. The Diocesan Office of Youth and Young Adult Ministry has a wonderful opportunity to take on this challenge from Pope Francis and to fulfill the call of the “New Evangelization” championed by Pope John Paul II by using modern methods of catechesis to empower youth and young adult ministry leaders and volunteers to bring Christ to all people.

**WEB-BASED CATECHETICAL FOUNDATIONS COURSES**

Recent advancements in video and web technology have now given us the ability to establish effective catechetical training in a dynamic and easily accessible way. With the onset of all the resources now available to us, the Office of Youth and Young Adult Ministry proposes the establishment of a Web based Catechetical Foundations program.

The program will include 5 core catechetical courses all which will be taught via an online video conferencing platform followed by a one-week assessment period hosted through Facebook by the Office of Youth and Young Adult Ministry.

- The 5 Core Catechetical Courses that will be offered are: 1) Foundations of Catholic Doctrine 2) Introduction to Sacred Scripture 3) Foundations of Catholic Morality 4) Overview of Unique Catholic teachings 5) Introduction to Service and Catholic Social Teaching
- Each of the courses will be taught during 5 separate 2-hour classes on the ZOOM video conference platform. You will receive access to the dedicated ZOOM link for the class once we receive your registration.
- At the conclusion of each class the participants will be added to a private Facebook group page to answer selected questions in order to assess their knowledge of the concepts covered in the completed class. Upon completion of each course, participants will receive credit towards Theological Foundations for Lay Ministry Training.
- The Facebook page will be moderated by the diocesan director, the specific teacher of the individual courses, as well as other appointed catechists (as appointed by the diocesan director).

**TYPE OF EVENT:** Certification Courses  
**TARGET AUDIENCE:** Adults who work with youth and/or young adults  
**TIME AND PLACE:** TBD  
**FOR MORE INFORMATION:** [www.catholichawaii.org/oyyam/foundations](http://www.catholichawaii.org/oyyam/foundations)
The Certificate in Youth Ministry Studies allows Coordinators of Youth Ministry and core team members to learn about and gain certification in Youth Ministry. The Certificate in Youth Ministry Studies is a dynamic way to train leaders in the vision and practice of the Catholic Bishops’ of the United States pastoral plan for youth ministry, *Renewing the Vision: A Framework for Catholic Youth Ministry* (USCCB, 1997). This program provides a ministry education for youth ministry, campus ministry, and religious education leaders, combining resources for youth ministry theory, skills, and practice.

The Office of Youth and Young Adult Ministry is working in conjunction with the Center for Ministry Development to provide leadership training for Coordinators of Youth Ministry and adult volunteers.


There are no classes currently scheduled. If you are interested in pursuing this certification, please contact the Office of Youth and Young Adult Ministry.

The Virtual Learning Community for Faith Formation (VLCFF) is a growing initiative to offer adult religious education and faith formation anytime and anywhere via the internet. The VLCFF is coordinated and sponsored by the Institute for Pastoral Initiatives (IPI) at the University of Dayton. The Diocese of Honolulu is a partner diocese.

"Come away by yourselves to a deserted place and rest a while." Mark 6:31

Jesus invited his disciples to come apart for a time of rest and renewal. Retreats are a time away from our normal activities to spend time getting reacquainted with God, to examine the priorities of life and to make concrete and practical resolutions for improvement. Retreats can be a powerful step toward personal conversion.

The Leadership Retreat (ILR) is an opportunity for adults (ages 18+) who work with youth and/or young adults in the Diocese of Honolulu to refresh and renew their vigor for ministry. The retreat includes Mass, confession, silence, presentations, and fellowship.

The ILR is held annually. Locations and date varies from year to year.

**TYPE OF EVENT:** Retreat

**TARGET AUDIENCE:** Adults who work with youth and/or young adults

**TIME AND PLACE:** Annually, varies from year to year

**FOR MORE INFORMATION:** [www.catholichawaii.org/oyyam/ilr](http://www.catholichawaii.org/oyyam/ilr)
NCCYM

DECEMBER 10-12, 2020

The National Conference on Catholic Youth Ministry (NCCYM) is sponsored by the National Federation for Catholic Youth Ministry (NFCYM). The NCCYM is the largest conference in the country for adults who minister to and with Catholic youth. The conference is designed for youth and campus ministers, religious education leaders, clergy and religious, young adult ministers, performers, artists, and volunteers. It is three days of inspiring keynotes, challenging workshops, dynamic prayer and worship, extensive networking, hundreds of resource exhibits, and good-hearted entertainment. The NCCYM is a biennial conference and is for adults only. No youth are allowed to attend.

TYPE OF EVENT: Conference
TARGET AUDIENCE: Adults who work with youth and/or young adults
TIME AND PLACE: December 10-12, 2020, New Orleans, LA
Held biennially on even years in December. Location varies.
FOR MORE INFORMATION: www.catholichawaii.org/oyyam/nccym

CYMC

JUNE 7-10, 2020

Run by Life Teen, Inc., the Catholic Youth Ministry Convention (CYMC) is a three day conference designed to equip youth ministers and core team members to lead teens closer to Christ. Featuring keynotes from popular Catholic speakers as well as breakout sessions, liturgies, and praise and worship experiences, CYMC is designed to both equip you for ministry and refresh and re-inspire you spiritually.

This event is open to all Youth Ministers, and does not require a subscription to participate. This event is not sponsored or endorsed by OYYAM, but is provided for your reference.

TYPE OF EVENT: Conference
TARGET AUDIENCE: Adults who work with youth and/or young adults
TIME AND PLACE: Held annually in June in Scottsdale, AZ (DoubleTree Paradise Valley)
In 2020, CYMC will take place from June 7-10.
FOR MORE INFORMATION: www.lifeteen.com/cymc
FOR YOUNG ADULTS
**World Youth Day**

**Pray. Worship. Celebrate.**

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**What is World Youth Day?**

World Youth Day is a global event where young people from around the world gather to celebrate and learn about their Catholic faith. World Youth Day is an opportunity for:

- young people to attend catechesis to learn teachings of the faith and celebrate in festivities;
- young people to share their faith, and rejuvenate their desire to spread the Gospel of Jesus Christ;
- the Church to proclaim the message of Christ and express its concern for young people;
- Young people to appreciate other cultures and spread peace and understanding throughout the world.

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**What is the Purpose of World Youth Day?**

The United States Conference of Catholic Bishops shares that World Youth Day celebrations are important for three reasons:

1. **Celebrating and Putting Trust in the Young:** Youth and young adults are not only the future of the Church, but are active participants in the Catholic Church today. World Youth Day brings together young people from the four corners of the earth. It is not simply a celebratory gathering of disparate groups of youth and young adults, but a key time to call them forth on a great mission of faith.

2. **Making Pilgrimage:** Understanding that young people are on a journey, the act of going on pilgrimage is an essential component to the World Youth Day experience. World Youth Day, whether celebrated locally or internationally, is a pilgrimage reflecting the road that young people continue to travel throughout their whole lives.

3. **Encountering the Catholic Community:** World Youth Day gives young adults a personal encounter with the international Catholic community they cannot get through their phones or computers – all in service to the ultimate encounter with God. Like the disciples on Mount Tabor, World Youth Day participants have a great opportunity to experience a transformative event – and to use that moment of grace to equip themselves for the great work that awaits them in the everyday valleys of life.

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**Type of Event:** Pilgrimage  
**Target Audience:** Young Adults  
**Time and Place:** In 2022, WYD will take place in Lisbon, Portugal. Date TBA  
**For More Information:** [www.catholichawaii.org/oyyam/yam/wyd](http://www.catholichawaii.org/oyyam/yam/wyd)
THEOLOGY ON TAP is an invitation for young adults to learn more about their faith and to share in the Catholic community, and should serve as a springboard for other young adult initiatives.

THEOLOGY ON TAP is structured around a series of events centering on faith topics of interest to young adults. These events can be held in a restaurant, a parish hall, a coffeehouse, even in a bar; places where young adults already are comfortable and feel welcome. These events feature an engaging speaker presenting a theological topic, time for discussion, faith sharing, and community building.

TYPE OF EVENT: Presentation and Faith Sharing
TARGET AUDIENCE: Young Adults
TIME AND PLACE: TBD
FOR MORE INFORMATION: www.catholichawaii.org/oyyam/tothawaii
Catholic Beer Club

TOT's Unstructured Brother

No Agendas, Just Community and Relationships. Like many great ideas, Catholic Beer Club (CBC) was discovered by accident. Three Benedictine College students decided to grab a beer over their summer vacation at one of the many breweries in Denver, CO. After an evening of discussions about the beauty of God and of relationships they wanted to share this experience with others. They each decided to invite two friends and meet up again a couple of weeks later. Throughout the summer these “Catholic Beer Club” events grew and by the end of the summer over 100 people would be in attendance. Upon sharing their success with their classmates they decided that this opportunity to meet passionate young Catholics must be made more available and promoted. Many successful events have followed across the country and today Catholic Beer Club Chapters have been started in almost 20 cities, including Honolulu and on the island of Maui.

After four years hosting CBC events and talking to young adults the founders have learned that more than anything, young adults are seeking authentic friendships with other young Catholics to walk with them in their faith.

CBC members reach outside of themselves to welcome new people, and find new roommates, running partners, future spouses, bible studies, sports leagues, and more. As they grow in their faith together, new apostolates begin to form and the New Evangelization flourishes.

This event is not sponsored or endorsed by OYYAM, but is provided for your reference.

Type of Event:  Community Building
Target Audience:  Young Adults, ages 21 and up
Time and Place:  Usually meets the third Friday of every month, location varies
For More Information:  www.facebook.com/catholicbeerclub
RESOURCES

COOL STUFF TO USE

**Church Documents**
- Catechism of the Catholic Church
- Renewing the Vision: A Framework for Catholic Youth Ministry
- Sons and Daughters of the Light: A Pastoral Plan for Ministry with Young Adults
- Christus Vivit – Pope Francis

**Middle School Youth Ministry Curriculum**
- Youth Ministry Access by Center for Ministry Development [www.cmdnet.org/yma](http://www.cmdnet.org/yma)
- EDGE by Life Teen, Inc. [www.lifeteen.com](http://www.lifeteen.com)
- Catholic Connections by St. Mary’s Press [www.smp.org/category/middle-school](http://www.smp.org/category/middle-school)

**High School Youth Ministry Curriculum**
- Youth Ministry Access by Center for Ministry Development [www.cmdnet.org/yma](http://www.cmdnet.org/yma)
- Life Teen by Life Teen, Inc. [www.lifeteen.com](http://www.lifeteen.com)
- Total Youth Ministry by St. Mary’s Press [www.smp.org/series/35/Total-Youth-Ministry](http://www.smp.org/series/35/Total-Youth-Ministry)

**Supplemental Resources**

**Our Catholic Faith Patches** In addition to Religious Awards for Catholic Scouts, the National Catholic Committee for Girl Scouts and Camp Fire (NCCGSCF) and the National Catholic Committee on Scouting (NCCS) provide activities and patches which teach the Catholic faith. These are available for scouts and non-scouts. [www.catholichawaii.org/catholicscouting](http://www.catholichawaii.org/catholicscouting)

**Youth Catechism** [www.youcat.org](http://www.youcat.org)

Resources from the National Federation of Catholic Youth Ministry (www.store.nfcym.org)

- Living and Loving our Catholic Faith – Youth Ministry Series
- For Ages Unending: The Ministry of Liturgy with Adolescents
- The Joy of Adolescent Catechesis
- Proclaiming the Good News: Resources for Evangelizing the Young Church

**Leadership for Catholic Youth Ministry: A Comprehensive Resource** – Tom East
**Volunteer Opportunities**

**CLI-HI**
Small-Group Leaders
- Time Commitment: Team Training Day, week-long CLI program

**Diocesan Youth Day**
Planning Committee
- Time Commitment: 12 months minimum for planning meetings
Day of Event Volunteer
- Time Commitment – Volunteer Training Day, day of event

**Vocations Retreats**
Time Commitment: planning meetings and day/weekend of event (including set-up/breakdown)

**Life Symposium**
Time Commitment: planning and day of event (including set-up/breakdown)

**Theology On Tap**
Time Commitment: coordinate event

**Diocesan Baccalaureate Mass**
Time Commitment: day of event

**Just5Days**
Just5Days relies on local opportunities for young people to serve. If you know of a possible volunteer opportunity for middle school-aged youth, please let OYYAM know as soon as possible.

**Paid Opportunity**

**Just5Days**
Musician
- Time Commitment: plans and leads the music, prayer, and worship for the week of Just5Days.
Young friends, don’t wait until tomorrow to contribute your energy, your audacity, and your creativity to changing our world. You are the now of God, and he wants you to bear fruit!

– Pope Francis
Christus Vivit 2019