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SECRETARIAT FOR CATHOLIC EDUCATION

OFFICE FOR YOUTH AND YOUNG ADULTS

222 North Seventeenth Street ☩ Philadelphia, Pennsylvania 19103-1299

Mission of the Office for Youth and Young Adults

To encourage parish, school, and Church leaders to embrace the vision of the Catholic Bishops regarding ministry with youth and young adults and to equip these leaders for its implementation

September 5, 2008

Dear Monsignor/Father:

Greetings from the Office for Youth and Young Adults. In light of the fact that I have been serving as the Director of this Office for only a month and a half, to date, I would like to take advantage of this opportunity to say, "Hello," and let you know that I am very much looking forward to working collaboratively with you in the months and years ahead. If I can ever be of assistance to you, personally, please do not hesitate to contact me here at the Archdiocesan Office Center at (215) 965-4637.

Well, the summer months have waned, the academic year has begun to unfold, and it is once again that time of year when we ask you to kindly address *Parish Youth Ministry Charter* related matters.

Reasons to Charter:

- Eligibility requirement for participation in the 'CYO' Athletic Ministry Archdiocesan tournaments
- To support the many youth and young adult initiatives and events which are provided by OYYA
- To help ensure that OYYA has the appropriate and proper names of Contact Persons at the parish in order to provide more efficient service to the parish

Benefits of Chartering:

The individuals identified on page 3 of this Charter will receive communication and materials from OYYA designed especially for them but which will also provide information and program updates for the young people to whom they minister or with whom they interact.

- Specifics about Youth Minister meetings and Training Opportunities
- Young Adult newsletters and e-mails
- Timely specifics and current information for Athletic Directors
- Updates regarding Scouting

Please know, Monsignor/Father, that your cooperation with and support of the decades-old *Parish Youth Ministry Charter* is greatly appreciated. **You are asked to kindly complete pages 3 and 4 of this charter and return it/them to OYYA by October 1, 2008.** Please let me close by once again expressing my willingness to be of assistance to you should it ever prove helpful.

Sincerely,

John J. Tague, M.A., M.B.A.
Director, Office for Youth and Young Adults



Depicted below, please find a sampling of events and opportunities that OYYA will coordinate during the 2008-2009 academic year. Visit www.oyya.org for more detailed information on these and other endeavors sponsored by OYYA .

Events for Youth Include:

October 25th & 26th	Reveal 2008: National World Youth Day Celebrations Three Locations - Bucks, Chester & Philadelphia Counties
December 8th - 24th	Operation Santa Claus
February 8th	Boy Scout Recognition Mass
March 20th - 22nd	Kujenga
March 29th	Girl Scout Recognition Mass
May 12th	Recognition Mass (CYO, Youth & Young Adult Ministry)
June 14th	Hispanic Youth and Young Adult Mass

Eucharistic Adoration Opportunities for Youth Include:

Second Sundays	Youth for The Eucharist - Montgomery County
First Fridays	The Gateway - Philadelphia South (September - May)
First Saturdays	The Link - Bucks County (December, February, April)
Second Saturdays	Adoration - Philadelphia North (Nov, Jan, March, May)
Jan 18th & March 22nd	Chester County Vicariate Adoration

Opportunities for Adult Leaders of Youth Include:

September 27th	Catholic Youth Ministry Conference
December 4th - 7th	National Conference for Catholic Youth Ministers
January 24th	Youth Ministry and Scout Leaders Retreat

Events for Young Adult (18—39 years of age) Include:

2nd Saturdays	Catholic Underground (September - May)
Feb. 27th - March 1st	Young Adult Retreat
Summer 2009	Theology on Tap

Athletic Ministry Training Opportunities for Adults Include:

October 4th	Athletic Ministry Conference
October 18th	Athletic Ministry Conference

**Each parish must send at least one representative from their athletic ministry to one of the Conferences.*

New Coaches Orientation

September 20th	Pope John Paul II RCS, Philadelphia
October 11th	TBA (Montgomery County)
December 13th	TBA (Philadelphia)
January 24th	St. Thomas the Apostle, Chester Heights
March 10th & 12th	Archdiocesan Office Center, Philadelphia
April 18th	TBA (Chester County)
August 8th	TBA

Coaches must attend Orientation during their **first year of coaching.*

Youth & Young Adult Ministry Team Leaders

*Please complete this form with the contact person's information. Please remember to complete the other side.
OYYA's preferred form of communication is e-mail.*

Each parish's structure is unique. If you have more than one Coordinator of Youth Ministry, please list the specific title or area of focus in the line after "Area of Focus". We are requesting contacts for age specific youth ministry such as Sr. High or Jr. High, as well as, culture specific youth ministry such as Hispanic, Vietnamese, etc. Provide additional pages if necessary.

Coordinator of Youth Ministry - Area of Focus: _____

Name: _____ Email: _____
 Address: _____ Phone: _____
 City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____ Circle One: Full Time Part Time
 Ministry Description: _____ Circle One: Volunteer Paid
 Ages Involved: _____ # Involved: _____

Coordinator of Youth Ministry - Area of Focus: _____

Name: _____ Email: _____
 Address: _____ Phone: _____
 City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____ Circle One: Full Time Part Time
 Ministry Description: _____ Circle One: Volunteer Paid
 Ages Involved: _____ # Involved: _____

Coordinator of Youth Ministry - Area of Focus _____

Name: _____ Email: _____
 Address: _____ Phone: _____
 City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____ Circle One: Full Time Part Time
 Ministry Description: _____ Circle One: Volunteer Paid
 Ages Involved: _____ # Involved: _____

Coordinator of Athletic Ministry/ Athletic Director

Name: _____ Email: _____
 Address: _____ Phone: _____
 City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____ Total # of Youth Involved: _____

Circle Programs Offered: **Grade School:** Football Soccer Volleyball Cross Country Field Hockey
 Basketball Cheerleading Softball Track & Field Baseball
High School: Girls Basketball Boys Basketball Coed Volleyball

Coordinator of Young Adult Ministry (Ministry for 18 - 39 year olds)

Name: _____ Ministry Description: _____
 Address: _____
 City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____ # of Young Adults Involved: _____
 Phone: _____ Email: _____

Girl Scout Leader (if overseen by parish)

Name: _____ Number of Youth Involved: _____
 Address: _____ Age of Youth Involved: _____
 City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____
 Phone: _____ Email: _____

Boy Scout Master

Name: _____ Number of Youth Involved: _____
 Address: _____ Age of Youth Involved: _____
 City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____
 Phone: _____ Email: _____

Please detach and return.

PARISH YOUTH MINISTRY CHARTER

DUE DATE: October 1, 2008

PARISH: _____

VICARIATE: _____ CLUSTER #: _____ ATHLETIC REGION: _____

Parish Information:

Total # Parish Families: _____ Total # Active Families: _____
Total # Parish Youth: Grades 6 - 8 _____ Grades 9-12 _____
Grade Confirmation Occurs: _____
Post-Confirmation Opportunities Offered: (e.g., PREP 7-8th Gr., HS Youth Ministry 9-12th Gr.)

Please choose one:

YES, we are chartering with OYYA. Our check is enclosed.

No, thank you. We do not wish to charter at this time, but please keep us informed of OYYA's events through mailing lists using the information on the previous page.

Chartering Fees

Parish: \$80.00 (*postmarked by October 1, 2008*) \$95.00 (*after October 1, 2008*)

Please make checks payable to **OYYA** and mail with completed form by **October 1, 2008**, to **OYYA, Attn: Charter, 222 N. 17th Street, Room 200, Philadelphia, PA 19103-1299**. Thank you!

PASTOR

I hereby certify that to the best of my knowledge, the women and men listed on this form have been properly screened and trained according to Archdiocesan policy to work with the youth and young adults in the parish. I have checked the names of the adults listed and they have my approval for the positions they shall occupy. I am aware of and approve of everything that is included in this application.

Pastor's Name: _____

Pastor's Signature: _____ Date: _____ Parish Seal: _____

Form Completed By: _____

Any questions regarding this Charter Application should be directed to Andrea Montillo at 215-965-4639. Please also visit the website at www.oyya.org

Thank you for taking the time to charter with the Office for Youth and Young Adults. We look forward to working with you to develop programs for the youth and young adults of your parish.

Serving the needs of the young Church

