

Our Purpose

Holy Infant Youth Ministry exists to **REACH** students, to **CONNECT** them with other Christians, to help them **GROW** in their faith, and to challenge them to **DISCOVER** their ministry and **HONOR** God in their lives.

Philosophy of our Ministry

We believe youth ministry should be fun! We want our students to have the best time of their lives as they grow in their faith and experience God's love.

We believe youth ministry should be based on healthy relationships. Students do not connect with programs; they connect with people. Our goal is to provide our students with an opportunity to develop healthy relationships with other students and adult leaders. Relationships are essential for students to feel loved and understand God's love in practical ways. Relationships allow for true spiritual growth in a student's life.

We believe youth ministry should build a strong foundation for a lifetime of faith. Our vision is to have students graduate from our ministry with a deeper relationship with God and a passion to continue to follow Jesus Christ.



“Let everything that has breath give praise to the Lord!” Psalm 150:6

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Youth Ministry

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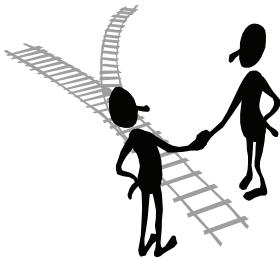
Adult CORE Team

“Nothing gives me greater joy than to hear that my children are walking in the truth.”
— 3 John 1:4

Youth Ministry

Dear Volunteer,

Greetings! We are absolutely thrilled that you are interested in being a volunteer leader in youth ministry at Holy Infant Parish.



We are looking for adults who have a commitment to Christ and a desire to share that love with our students. Please read through this brochure information packet and prayerfully consider your decision to become an adult volunteer leader.

Youth Ministry provides a wonderful way for you to live out your faith. Being involved with the youth here at Holy Infant will without a doubt enrich your own life beyond measure. I look forward to getting to know you. Please feel free to contact me for any reason. I would love to talk with you!

In Christ,

Mark Pilkenton
Director of Youth Ministry

Student Needs of Adults

Adult volunteer leaders are essential to the success of our ministry. We believe the most effective way to positively influence students is through significant relationships with key people in their lives.

Students need adults who will:

- ◆ Love God
- ◆ Take interest in their lives
- ◆ Listen to them
- ◆ Love them as they are
- ◆ Pray for them
- ◆ Be real
- ◆ Encourage them
- ◆ Spend time with them
- ◆ Have fun
- ◆ Believe in them
- ◆ Laugh
- ◆ Remember their names
- ◆ Share their faith and experiences
- ◆ Be consistent to the programs
- ◆ Be patient
- ◆ Enjoy life



Charlie needs his coffee!
Steubenville Mid-America 2006

What am I committing to?

Becoming a volunteer leader in youth ministry is a commitment. It will require your time, love, and energy. However, being involved in the ministry *promises* to deeply enrich your own life as well. The more you invest, the stronger your relationships with the youth will become, and your time with the students will become even more fun and worthwhile to you.

As a volunteer leader you agree to:

- ◆ Constantly seek to grow in your own relationship with God, realizing that this is the most important aspect of your ministry
- ◆ Consistent and timely attendance at the regular programs
- ◆ Time spent in relational ministry with students outside of the programs
- ◆ Participate as much as possible in retreats, trips, and weekend activities
- ◆ Have fun!

What you can expect from the Youth Director and Church:

- ◆ Structure and leadership
- ◆ A high value placed on your time
- ◆ Prayer support & encouragement
- ◆ Every effort to make your experience rewarding and fun

How do I get involved?

Here's what you need to do to become a leader:

- ◆ Prayerfully consider your decision
- ◆ Call Mark in the youth office to set up a time to meet and discuss becoming a leader
- ◆ Complete the Volunteer Leader Info Sheet
- ◆ Prayerfully consider your decision
- ◆ Sign your Leader Commitment
- ◆ Complete your Liability Waiver and Medical Release Form
- ◆ Complete your Background Check Form