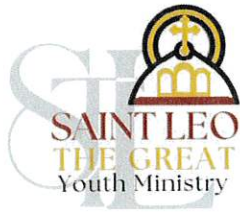


Middle School: Parent Letter and Information (2023-2024)



August 8, 2023

Dear St Leo Parents,

As Director of Youth Ministry, I want to partner with you this year to bring about fun, fruitful, and family-based youth ministry events for your whole family.

Per the St. Leo the Great Pastoral Plan, over the next three years, we will be implementing our Christ-centered pastoral and leadership plan dedicated to fostering a more vibrant and traditional Catholic family-based community. In fact, have you seen our new mission statement and theme?

Mission Statement: St Leo the Great is an intentional, traditional, and dynamic Catholic family-based parish dedicated to draw all parishioners to an intimate and personal relationship with Jesus Christ through His Church, through leadership, liturgy, and faith formation.

Scriptural Theme: *"But you are a chosen race, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, a people of his own, so that you may announce the praises of him who called you out of darkness into his wonderful light. (1 Peter 2:9)"*

As you can see, your involvement is crucial in achieving our Pastoral Plan's mission and vision—we cannot do this without you! And I predict that this will be the greatest year of ministry yet!

Lastly, for registration purposes, kindly complete the following:

- Parent Letter and Ministry Information
- Permission and Medical Form
- Parent and Student Participation Form
- Wake Up Wednesday Student's Covenant

It is my prayer that you will find at least (1) way to be involved with our family-based youth ministry this year—and that it would be life giving for everyone involved! Let me know if you have any questions or concerns. Looking forward to serving with you this year.

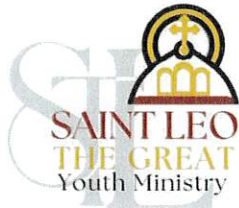
In His Peace,

Ms. Katherine Aguilar, Director of Youth Ministry

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Activity Fee

To offset the cost of snacks, meals, youth ministry and materials for youth events during the year, there is an activity fee. Families get a discount.

- Middle School: \$70/youth (grades 6-8)
- High School: \$90/youth (grades 9-12)
- Family, two or more students: \$120/family

Payment Methods

- Cash
- Checks can be made out to St Leo the Great Youth Ministry. Memo: [Student's Name]
- Credit Card via *Flocknote Fund It* QR code.

Financial Aid

If cost is an issue, we are here to help. Please know that families and teens will never be turned away due to cost; however, we ask that families contribute what they can in order to reserve a space for their child.

Flocknote Opt-In Communications

We need to stay connected! In case of unforeseen weather conditions, last minute cancelations, pertinent updates, sign up to receive email and/or text notifications: ***Text STLYM to 845-76.***

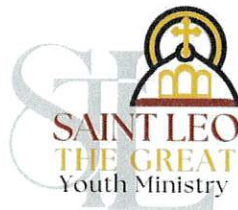
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Middle School Early Pick-Up Procedures

1. Registered students are expected to attend for the full duration of the ministry except for doctor appointments and/or emergencies.
 - a. Early pick up is disruptive to the ministry environment and takes away from the scheduled activities.
2. For safety, Parents must notify youthministry@stleofairfax.com communicating early pick up time.
 - a. Parent must sign out their child.
 - b. Children will not be dismissed without signature from a parent first.

Middle School: Parent and Student Participation (2023-2024)



Parent Involvement: Must volunteer for (1) event or ministry.

- ☐ 8th Grade Girls' Confirmation Retreats (Sat. October 14, 2023)
- ☐ 8th Grade Boys' Confirmation Retreat (Sat. October 21, 2023)
- ☐ Middle School Festival of Saints (Fri. October 27, 2023)
- ☐ Middle School Wake up Wednesday Kick Off (Wed. September 20, 2023 @ 3pm-4:30pm)
- ☐ Middle School Diocesan BASH (Sat. May 4, 2024 @ 1pm-8:30pm)
- ☐ Middle School SERVE Work Camp (July 2024)
- ☐ Middle School Friday Friends (Last Friday evening of the month @ 7-8:30pm)

Student Involvement

Full Name: _____ Teen Email: _____
Current Grade (Circle One): 6 7 8 9 10 11 12
School: _____
Birthday: _____ T- Shirt Size (Adult sizes, circle one): S M L XL XXL
Parent Name: _____ Parent Email: _____

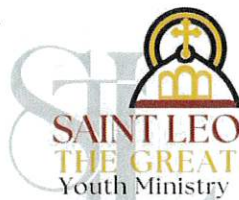
Middle School Only:

_____ Wake Up Wednesday @3-4:30pm _____ Service Hours _____ Works of Mercy

For Office Use Only: Paid Y/N MS \$70.00 HS \$90.00 Family \$120.00

Check #: _____ CASH: _____ Financial Aid: _____

Middle School: Permission/Medical Information (2023-2024)



Participant's Name (Please print)	Grade	Home Phone
Address	City/State/Zip	Parent Email
Parent's Name	Mobile Phone	Work Phone

Parental Permission and Liability Release: As parent/legal guardian of the participant names above, I give my permission to participate fully in *St. Leo the Great Youth Ministry Meetings/Events* from *August 22, 2023 to August 22, 2024*. I agree to indemnify and hereby release the Most Reverend Michael F. Burbidge Bishop of the Catholic Diocese of Arlington and his successors in office, as well as the Catholic Diocese of Arlington and all Diocesan clergy, employees, volunteers, and participating parishes and schools from any and all liability, claims, demands for personal injury, sickness and death, as well as property damage and expenses of any nature whatsoever which may be incurred by the undersigned of the participant resulting from said participant's involvement in the above mentioned event (including transportation to and from the event). Furthermore, I on behalf of the participant hereby assume all risk of personal injury, sickness, death, damage, and expenses resulting from said participant's involvement in the above described event.

Informed Consent to Medical Treatment: I request that in my absence the above-named minor be admitted to any hospital or medical facility for diagnosis and treatment. I request and authorize physicians, dentists, and staff, duly licensed as Doctors of Medicine or Doctors of Dentistry or other such licensed technicians or nurses, to perform any diagnostic procedures, treatment procedures, operative procedures and x-ray treatment of the above minor. I have not been given a guarantee as to the results of examination or treatment. I authorize the hospital or medical facility to dispose of any specimen or tissue taken from the above-named minor. I assume full responsibility for all costs of such treatment. Further, should it be necessary for the participant to return home due to medical, disciplinary, or other reasons, I do hereby assume responsibility for the participant's transportation home and any costs related thereto.

Photo, Press, Audio, and Electronic Media Release: I authorize the Catholic Diocese of Arlington, its parishes, its schools and/or the Arlington Catholic Herald to use and publish my child's photograph, video and/or audio recording along with their name identifying them for educational, news stories, illustration and/or marketing purposes.

I understand and hereby agree to the terms and conditions of the participant's involvement in the above-described event and I freely execute this Acknowledgement with full knowledge of its content.

Signature of Parent or Legal Guardian

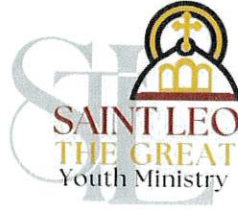
Date

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Middle School: Permission/Medical Information (2023-2024)



Name _____ Relationship: _____ Phone Number: (C) _____

Pediatrician/doctor name _____ Phone _____

Insurance Company _____ Policy Number: _____

MEDICATIONS: PLEASE LIST ANY PERSCRIPTION OR DOCTOR PRESCRIBED OVER THE COUNTER MEDICATIONS YOUR CHILD IS USING:

Drug Name: _____ Dosage ____ per _____

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ALLERGIES/FOOD RESTRICTIONS (i.e. pollen, dust)

Medications: _____

DOES YOUR CHILD HAVE AN EPI-PEN? _____ Do they administer on their own? _____

HISTORY: Medical History/ Mental Health Information (be specific)

"WAKE UP WEDNESDAY'S" CONDUCT COVENANT (2023-2024)



I, _____, am participant of the *St. Leo the Great Youth Ministry*, Wake up Wednesday, Fairfax VA.

This covenant is in effect from the moment I arrive at St Leo on Wednesday from 3:00pm to 4:30pm. As a participant of this ministry, I will be expected to abide by the following:

- ◆ No loud or disruptive behavior toward our volunteers, staff, and clergy.
 - ◆ Be Reverence to our Lord while in the Church.
 - ◆ No negative humor – putting others down or name calling; refrain from telling/being involved in hurtful jokes or pranks.
 - ◆ Participate fully in all planned activities, group sessions, and programs.
- ◆ Be aware of and always promote individual and group safety.
 - ◆ Students must request permission to use the restroom.
 - ◆ If students need to change into casual/sports clothes, they must request permission to do so in the restroom.
 - ◆ No more than two participants at a time will be allowed to use or change clothes in the restrooms.
 - ◆ Stay near my adult chaperones at all times. Participants are not permitted to go off on their own.
 - ◆ Refrain from smoking, consuming alcohol, using any type of weapon or illegal drugs at any time during the Ministry. Anybody found to be doing any of these actions will be suspended immediately.
- ◆ Cell Phones are not permitted.
 - ◆ Upon arrival students must put their devices in the Cell Phone box and they will be returned upon dismissal. Devices include personal electronics including apple watches, gaming devices, air pods etc.
- ◆ Respect facilities always.
 - ◆ Participants are responsible for the condition of the facilities.
 - ◆ Damage to the building, furniture or equipment will be charged to those responsible.

MY PROMISE: I freely execute this acknowledgement with full knowledge of its content. I promise to live by these guidelines and expectations in my attitude and my actions. I will also encourage other participants to live with this promise. I understand that if I choose by my attitude or by my actions to not live up to these expectations, I will face consequences, which may include notification to parents, suspension, or expulsion from Ministry.

Participant signature: _____ Date _____

As Parent or legal guardian, I remain fully responsible for any legal/financial responsibility which may result from any personal actions taken by the named participant including any violation of this Covenant.

Parent/Guardian Signature: _____ Date _____

(Please sign, date and return this form with your REGISTRATION FORM to the Youth Ministry office or Parish Office hours Monday - Friday 8am-7:30pm and Saturday 10am - 5pm; office closed Sundays.)

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