

Catholic Youth Coalition

BOARD



2023-2024 Meeting Dates:

- Aug. 25-27 (Legendary Lodge)
- Oct. 6-8 (Helena)
- Dec. 1-3 (Deer Lodge)
- March 1-3 (Butte)
- CYC Convention & Eucharistic Congress:*
- March 22-24 (Helena)

For High School Youth (Grades 9-12)



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Diocese of Helena



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EVENTS

2023
2024



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PRECORNING



**AUG
25-27**

**CYC BOARD #1
(LEGENDARY LODGE)**

KICKBALL

9 PM

(CONRAD)

**SEPT.
24**



**OCT.
6-8**

**CYC BOARD #2
(HELENA)**

**JUNIOR HIGH
RALLY**

9 PM

(HELENA)

**OCT.
28**



**NOV.
16-18**

**NCYC
(INDIANAPOLIS, IN)**

**CYC BOARD #3
(DEER LODGE)**

9 PM

**DEC.
1-3**



**JAN.
19-21**

**SKI RETREAT
(WHITEFISH)**

**AWAKENING
RETREAT**

9 PM

(BOZEMAN)

**FEB.
2-4**



**MARCH
1-3**

**CYC BOARD #4
(BUTTE)**

**CYC
CONVENTION**

9 PM

(HELENA)

**MARCH
22-24**



OFFICE OF YOUTH & YOUNG ADULT MINISTRY



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FAQ'S:

Turn here to get the bottom-line. We'll cover the most common questions, as well as address important updates to CYC Board.

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YOUTH

Participation on CYC Board is a substantial commitment that you must seriously consider. We outline exactly what you are getting yourself into, as well as the benefits of serving on this leadership team.

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PARENTS

You are the primary influence in your child's faith development. We have witnessed the conversion of *families* through youth's participation in CYC Board. When you partner with us, the whole Church wins.

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PARISHES

Parishes are responsible for supporting the faith development of their youth. CYC Board can be a powerful experience in this process, and we invite parishes to support this ministry in several ways.

QUICK FACTS:

COST

Youth - \$325
Adults (Chaperones) - \$100

REGISTRATION

Register through your local parish. Youth must confirm support from their parish before registering, especially to find an adult chaperone. Then, register online at diocesehelena.org/cycboard.

FINANCIAL AID IS AVAILABLE!

Aid is available through the For Youth By Youth Scholarship. See details on p. 14.

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"Do you know what the best tool is for evangelizing the young? Another young person. This is the path for all of you to follow!"

-Pope Francis



Greetings!

Our mission is to share the Gospel of Jesus Christ with every young person in our Diocese. CYC Board helps us accomplish this mission by forming, equipping, and then co-missioning young people to be witnesses to the Gospel in their own families, parishes, schools, and communities.

CYC Board is for young people in high school (grades 9-12) who are looking for a creative outlet in youth ministry, who willingly commit to engage in the planning and facilitation of diocesan youth ministry initiatives. We emphasize leadership, discipleship, and service, with the goal to help young people grow their relationship with Christ so that they can be sent out to share the Gospel.

Serving on Board is an incredible privilege that comes with great benefits and responsibilities. Please read the Handbook thoroughly to understand the expectations. Then, prayerfully consider your availability and where God is calling you to serve next year. We welcome any young person in grades 9-12 onto Board who is willing to commit to the following expectations:

- Active participation in the Sacraments (especially weekend liturgy) in their local parish
- Regular, active participation in their local parish youth ministry/faith formation program
- Attendance at all 4 Board meetings
- Openness to lead and participate in other CYC Board activities (e.g. Convention, J.O.P., Junior Rally, Awakening Retreat, etc.)

After a success Awakening Retreat last year, we plan to host another Awakening again this year (Feb. 2-4)! It will not be in place of a CYC Board meeting. We are also planning to host a Ski Retreat on January 19-21. CYC Board are not expected to be at either of these events, although we anticipate and highly encourage our CYC Board members to participate if they are able. More details about each event will be made available in the Fall.

Thank you for your willingness to participate in this ministry. I look forward to another great year on Board. As always, please contact me with any questions. And, please pray for me, our Bishop, and all of our young people.

God Bless,

Kevin Molm

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FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

Who can participate?

Any high school youth (grades 9-12) who is active in their local parish is welcome to participate.

Is there a cost?

The cost is \$325 for a youth. This covers food, housing, and all supplies/materials for 4 meetings. This also includes a discounted registration to CYC Convention in March.

How about financial assistance?

Scholarships are available! We are committed to working in partnership with the local parish and the youth's family to ensure that no individual is denied the opportunity to participate due to finances. (See p. 14 for details.)

Do I have to be at every CYC Board Meeting?

Yes. CYC Board is a year-long diocesan leadership development program. The expectation is that you commit to being present at all 4 weekends. Discipleship and leadership take commitment and sacrifice.

What if I'm late/leave early or must miss a meeting?

The expectation is that Board members are at every board meeting for the whole time. In extenuating circumstances, youth can communicate with their youth minister to make other arrangements. Check-in/out when you arrive/leave!

What do we do at a CYC Board meeting?

In short, we plan diocesan ministry events and experiences. Every weekend is rooted in prayer, both as a group and in individual reflection, and we provide formation and catechesis. The "work" of each meeting includes discerning themes and speakers, developing programming, practicing performances, and more.

What if my parish doesn't have a youth minister?

If your parish does not have a youth minister, then you should work with your pastor to find an adult who is willing to serve as your chaperone. OYYAM does not have a staff; we rely on parish-based volunteers and staff to accompany young people on their faith journey. This is more than just being a chaperone or chauffeur (although those are incredibly important, too). We need faithful adults who care for and about young people. Usually, this is the "Youth Minister" at the local parish but may be any Safe Environment-compliant adult that is willing to assist and accompany a young person in their faith.

What if I'm not from the Diocese of Helena

We welcome young people from outside of the Diocese of Helena to participate! Although the events you plan on Board would primarily serve those in our Diocese, what you learn about leadership and discipleship are directly applicable to your own diocese. On a practical level, you will need to be accompanied by an adult who meets the safe environment policies of your home diocese.

How about transportation?

Transportation to meetings is coordinated by the local parish. Youth are not to drive themselves or other youth.

Can I sleep at home if a meeting is in my hometown?

No. The expectation is that you are on-site the entire time. In extenuating circumstances, if a parent/guardian assumes liability for his/her child and if coordinated in advanced, other arrangements may be made.

Details

REGISTRATION, DATES,
LOCATIONS, ETC.

REGISTRATION:

Registration is managed through the local parish. Please do not register for CYC Board until you have first communicated with your local parish. Financial aid is available. (See pp. 14.)

After confirming with your local parish, especially that you have a chaperone, registration will be available online at diocesehelena.org/cycboard. Some parishes will choose to register all of their participants as a group, others may have each individual register him/herself; it's very important to communicate with your local parish about how they will manage registrations.

Payment may be made by card when you register or you may send a check to the diocese.

Cancel On or Before August 25: Full Refund; Cancel Aug. 25-Oct. 5: 75% refund (you get \$245 back); After Oct. 5: No Refund.

GROUP REGISTRATIONS:

- Confirm & Register an "Adult Chaperone" for each CYC Board Member (6:1 Youth to Adult; see pp. 11-12 for details.)
- Collect registration information, fees, and essays from each young person (See pp. 15-16).
- Go to diocesehelena.org/cycboard and follow registration instructions.
- Payment: Parishes registering groups may pay either with a credit card at time of registration or print an invoice to pay by check.
- Make sure to register yourself and any other adult chaperones!

DATES & LOCATIONS:

CYC Board Members are expected to be at every meeting. Other events are highly encouraged for all and mandatory for those who volunteer for a role in the event.

- Meeting #1 - Aug. 25-27 (Legendary Lodge - **Seeley Lake**)
- Meeting #2 - Oct. 6-8 (Ss. Cyril & Methodius Parish - **East Helena**)
- Meeting #3 - Dec. 1-3 (Immaculate Conception Parish - **Deer Lodge**)
- Meeting #4 - March 1-3 (St. Ann's Catholic Church - **Butte**)
- *CYC Convention - March 22-24 (Carroll College - **Helena**)

MEETINGS & OTHER DETAILS:

Each meeting is a little different, but, in general, here's how they work:

Plan to arrive 5:30-6:30pm. Meetings will end by 12noon on Sundays.

All CYC Board Members are expected to participate in the entire meeting, including staying overnight at the designated facility. Late arrivals and early departures are strongly discouraged.

CYC Board members are responsible for their transportation to and from meetings/events. **Youth may not drive themselves or other youth.** Coordinate with your Youth Minister/Adult Chaperone.

All CYC Board members should bring with them their journal and Bible, as well as the usual overnight necessities: sleeping bag, sleeping pad, pillow, towel, toiletries, change of clothes, etc.

All meals are provided at a Board meeting; however, healthy snacks are always welcome.

An adult is someone who is at least 18 years old AND is not in high school. High school Seniors who turn 18 during the year will continue to be considered a youth participant.

***CYC Convention:** CYC Board must register and pay separately for CYC Convention. (CYC Board members will receive a discounted rate.) For those who are able and willing, we will gather for dinner on Thursday before Convention, then use our time through Friday to set up. Once Convention begins, Board youth are expected to join their respective parish youth group for the rest of the weekend.

New This Year:

Ski Retreat

January 19-21 - Whitefish

The Christian life is one rooted in joy, especially in fellowship with other believers. Sometimes, we need the chance to gather with no other purpose than to just be together...and shred the pow-pow!

You spoke, and we listened: we will be hosting this epic retreat for any high school youth in the diocese. Details will be ironed out in the Fall. Right now, here's what you need to know:

- **When:** Plan to arrive on Friday evening (We're looking into night skiing! If that doesn't work out, we'll go bowling or do something else fun that evening.). We will ski all day Saturday. Those who want may also ski on Sunday.
- **Who:** High school youth (Grades 9-12). We welcome non-CYC Board members!
- **Where:** We will stay at one of the local parishes in/around Kalispell and ski at Whitefish Resort.
- **Cost:** \$35 for the retreat (covers food and lodging). Then, each participant will be responsible for their own equipment and lift ticket. If you have your own ski's and a season pass to Whitefish, then it's just \$35! We will help coordinate rentals and work to get a group discount on passes.



Awakening

We enjoyed hosting this retreat last year. We also learned that we missed getting a lot of work done on CYC Board by having only 3 meetings. Therefore, our plan this year is to go back to 4 meetings, and then also plan an Awakening Retreat.

We want to expand this incredible opportunity of conversion and evangelization to more young people, especially those who are not on CYC Board. We will need plenty of people to help make this retreat possible, especially from those who did the retreat last year who can now serve on the back-crew.

More details will be available in the Fall. Until then, here is some important notes:

- **When:** March 1-3
- **Where:** Bozeman Catholic Community Center (210 S Grand Ave, Bozeman, MT 59715)
- **Who?:** High school-aged youth (grades 9-12). Those who have already done an Awakening may serve on one of the crews (Front, Back, & Prayer).
- **Cost:** \$60 for retreat participants. No cost for CYC Board if they are working (e.g. on the Back Crew).



"Christ is alive! He is our hope, and in a wonderful way he brings youth to our world, and everything he touches becomes young, new, full of life. The very first words, then, that I would like to say to every young Christian are these:

CHRIST IS ALIVE AND HE WANTS YOU TO BE ALIVE!"

-Pope Francis,
Christus Vivit

We welcome any high school youth (grades 9-12) to serve on the 2023-2024 CYC Board who actively participates in his/her parish youth programs and is willing to make the commitment to the ministry.

We meet 4 times, plus CYC Convention. At each meeting you will:

- Receive consistent Catholic discipleship formation and leadership development.
- Assist with planning, advising, and facilitating OYYAM events, such as Junior High Rally, CYC Kickball, Awakening Retreat, CYC Convention, Justice Outreach Project, and more.
- Encouragement and formation to assist with local youth ministry efforts in local parishes.

EXPECTATIONS FOR YOUTH

PARISH FIRST, THEN CYC BOARD.

At minimum, CYC Board youth are expected to regularly participate - fully and actively - in weekend Mass at their local parish and consistently participate in the local/parish youth ministry programming.

ATTEND EVERY CYC BOARD MEETING. THEN, PARTICIPATE IN OTHER EVENTS AS ABLE.

Yes, you are expected to be at each of the 4 Board meetings. Check your calendar and prayerfully consider your availability for this ministry before you commit.

DISCIPLESHIP.

CYC Board members must be grounded in the practices of the faith, including regularly participating in the Sacraments and a disciplined prayer life that includes reading scripture (like, daily!).

LEADERSHIP.

Parishes should expect their CYC Board youth to serve in leadership roles in their community. This includes helping to plan or facilitate regular youth ministry programming, serving as lay ministers in liturgies as appropriate for age/formation (e.g. Lector, Altar Server, Extraordinary Ministry of Holy Communion, etc.), and participating responsibly in the life, mission, and work of the local parish.

CYC Board members are not expected to attend every OYYAM event. However, you are expected to help plan and facilitate OYYAM events, which means that if you volunteer to lead an activity at that event, then you need to plan to be there. Board members will receive discounted (or free) registration fees.

High school Seniors who turn 18 during the year will continue to be considered a youth participant.

Parents

"Parents are 'by word and example ... the first heralds of the faith with regard to their children.' Thus the home is the first school of Christian life."
-Catechism of the Catholic Church, 1656

We cannot overstate the importance of parents to this ministry. CYC Board happens only because parents generously support this ministry with their time, treasure, and prayers. Your willingness to volunteer as chaperones, chauffeurs, cooks, and more, provides the structure that allows us to gather well and to focus on serving the youth of our diocese.

We are sincerely grateful.

Especially for those parents who are new to this ministry, below is some pertinent information to help you best support your child's participation on CYC Board:

Pray.

Possibly the greatest thing you can do to support your child's faith development is to pray for him/her.

Parish first, then CYC Board.

All CYC Board members are expected to be active in their local parish, especially in youth ministry/faith formation. We ask that you, first and foremost, make clear that you expect your child to participate in the life of your local parish if s/he wants to participate on CYC Board.

If your local parish does not have youth ministry, then we would highly encourage you to have a conversation with your pastor about how the parish could partner with you in supporting your child's faith development through participating on CYC Board. Incredible things can happen when parents advocate for the faith development of their children.

Financial Aid

We provide need-based aid through the For Youth By Youth Scholarship. See pp. 14 for details.

Coordinate and confirm transportation and a chaperone.

The responsibility lies with the parents and local parish (usually the Youth Minister) for providing/coordinating transportation and chaperones who meet Diocese of Helena Safe Environment policies.

Please coordinate with your local parish to confirm that your child not only has transportation to/from CYC Board events, but that your child will also have a safe environment-compliant (VIRTUS) adult chaperone present at all times who willingly and knowingly assumes the chaperone responsibilities for your child for the duration of the event. High school Seniors who turn 18 during the year will continue to be considered a youth participant.

You are invited to participate, too!

Having trouble finding a chaperone for your child? You could be that person! While your child may say that they don't want you hanging out with them, you could be the adult who impacts the life of one of the other teens on CYC Board.

The community and system of support that we build among the adult volunteers is real. Conversions happen at CYC Board, and not just for teens. Christ-centered, joyful, and authentic adult friendships form among the community of adults who serve on CYC Board.



Talk to your local youth minister or contact Kevin (406.389.7055 - kmolm@diocesehelena.org) to learn more about how you can be a part of this ministry.

Parish

"Youth ministry...is not out to replace the family or the apostolic priesthood – it offers humble and zealous cooperation in the Church's saving mission which begins in the family and continues in the ecclesial community."
-Fr. Damian Ference, Word on Fire

OYYAM seeks to partner with parishes in our common mission to make disciples of Jesus Christ. We work together to create the best possible faith formation and ministry experiences for every youth in our diocese. No single event or program could ever provide every need for every individual youth.

Diocesan youth ministry seeks to compliment - not supplant - local youth ministry. The large-group gatherings that are the fruit of diocesan youth ministry can be transformative moments of conversion for young people. However, without a local faith community that can sustain the flames of faith through the normal ebbs and flows of the spiritual life, any "mountain top" conversions that happen at large gatherings will merely be bright flashes of faith that burnout quickly.

CYC Board serves as a tangible connection between parish and diocesan youth ministry. This symbiotic relationship exists because of our shared commitment to serve youth, bringing them closer to Christ through dynamic ministry. We invite you and your parish into this ministry.

Parish first, then CYC Board.

All CYC Board members are expected to be active in their local parish, especially in youth ministry. If a parish's leaders are disappointed in their CYC Board member's participation and/or behavior, they should contact Kevin Molm in the Office of Youth and Young Adult Ministry (406.389.7055 or kmolm@diocesehelena.org).

Parish Responsibilities:

Parishes are expected to know who their CYC Board youth are and encourage responsible participation at both parish and diocesan levels. This means that someone in your parish (usually the Youth Minister) must be willing to ensure that this is happening. This person is meant to accompany your young people, literally and figuratively. Yes, this person needs to send emails, collect registration forms, manage fees, coordinate rides, etc. And, this person also willingly and regularly checks-in with the young people, prays for them, holds them accountable to their commitments and promises, etc.

Parishes hold much of the responsibility for managing their youth's participation on Board, including:

- **Designate a "Parish Contact" (A.K.A. Youth Minister or Adult Chaperone):**

The "Parish Contact" (usually the Youth Minister) will serve as the liaison between OYYAM, the Parish, and youth/families. Their responsibilities are both logistical, such as coordinating rides, ensuring Safe Environment (VIRTUS) compliant chaperones, sending regular communications, etc., and pastoral, such as praying for the youth, mentoring them on their testimony, encouraging them to attend Mass, etc. The "Parish Contact" does not necessarily have to be at every meeting, but should be in close communication with OYYAM and their youth/families. They will also...

- **Coordinate Registration:**

Parishes may manage registration in whatever way best meets their needs. At minimum, the parish needs to confirm Adult Chaperone(s) for their youth at each event. Best practices include collecting registration forms/fees and submitting them online (diocesehelena.org/cycboard). Both youth and adult chaperones must register. Parishes are encouraged to help cover the expenses for Adult Chaperones, especially volunteers.

- **Coordinate Chaperones & Transportation:**

The responsibility lies with the parents and local parish for coordinating transportation and Adult Chaperones who meet Diocese of Helena Safe Environment policies for every youth for every CYC Board event/meeting. The appropriate ratio for Board meetings is 6:1 Youth to Adult, with respect to gender. (If you have youth of both genders, you will need to have a chaperone of each gender.) High school Seniors who turn 18 during the year will continue to be considered a youth participant.

- **Communication:**

The "Parish Contact" should regularly communicate with CYC Board youth and parents about their participation in Board, including updates, notices, and details about transportation/chaperones, and to confirm that youth are meeting your expectations regarding their participation in parish life. Also, OYYAM will send updates/notices to this person.



YOUTH MINISTERS

Only through your own dedication to our Church, love for our young people, and your personal witness to the Gospel of Jesus Christ can this ministry exist. We cannot under-state the importance of caring, loving adults to this ministry. Thank you.

Regardless of your actual title or status - whether you are a paid professional or a volunteer - if you willingly accompany young people on their faith journey, then we consider you a youth minister. You are an agent of the Church, bringing alive in the hearts of young people the Gospel of Jesus Christ, that He is the way, the truth and the life.

Primarily, your role on CYC Board is to mentor, guide, and chaperone youth from your community in their participation at CYC Board meetings and events. In practice, this takes on a variety of tasks (see next page) and responsibilities.

While your car, presence as a VIRTUS-compliant adult, and dish-washing abilities "make" this ministry literally possible,

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BE KNOWN BY THE
CHURCH'S MINISTERS
IF THEY ARE TO
BETTER UNDERSTAND
HOW GOD IS CALLING
THEM TO LIVE AS
DISCIPLES."**

-USCCB, RENEWING THE VISION

we implore you to see that your role on CYC Board is greater than the sum of just the things you do. You have wisdom, experience, and knowledge that our youth desperately need. When you are not here to share your gifts, we suffer for it.

Our bishops teach in Renewing the Vision that effective youth ministry is based on relationships. And, relationships take time; there is no short-cut for forming relationships.

The primacy of relationships in ministry is exemplified in the Road to Emmaus. Certainly, Jesus could have just revealed himself immediately to the disciples. He chose, rather, to walk with them and to know them. We are called to do the same.

Some of the best "ministry" you will ever do will be in the car ride to an event. This is actually why we book our events in the remotest of places: we want you to have as much time as possible in a car full of teenagers! (Just joking...kind of.)

No list of responsibilities could ever describe all of what youth ministers actually do to make CYC Board happen. Nevertheless, such a list would absolutely include things like:

- **Ensure youth are safe**
- **Teach youth to pray**
- **Manage registrations**
- **Communicate with parents**
- **Ensure youth are on time**
- **Ensure youth grow in discipleship**
- **Ensure youth participate in the parish, especially Sacraments**
- **Make sure that your youth get enough food, sleep, and take care of personal hygiene**

YOUTH MINISTERS



"The charism of spiritual accompaniment is not necessarily linked to ordained ministry, nor was it in the past... A good accompanier is a person who is *balanced, a listener, a person of faith and prayer*, who has the measure of his own weaknesses and frailties.

-2018 Synod of Bishops on Young People, the Faith & Vocational Discernment

While the responsibilities of a youth minister or adult chaperone for CYC Board are broad and expansive, there are some specific tasks that need to be done.

How the parish chooses to manage these tasks is up to each pastor or whomever he has assigned to them.

Some communities have a full-time, paid youth minister, others delegate these responsibilities to volunteers or another parish staff.

Who does these tasks is less important than that they are accomplished. OYYAM will gladly provide advice and best practices, but, ultimately, the responsibility lies on the local parish to manage these tasks in the way that best suits the realities of its community.

The "**Parish Contact**" (Youth Minister/Other Designated Adult(s)) is expected to:

- Pray for your young people.
- Ensure that each young person has a Safe Environment-compliant Adult Chaperone(s) who willingly assumes chaperone responsibility for him/her, including being present, at every CYC Board meeting or event. One Adult Chaperone may be responsible for up to 6 youth of the same gender. (This does not have to be the same adult at every meeting/event.)
- Communicate to OYYAM prior to each CYC Board meeting/event who will be attending from your parish, both youth and their adult chaperones.
- Manage registrations.
- Communicate to youth and parents about CYC Board expectations, updates, dates/locations, and other pertinent information.
- Hold youth accountable to their commitments, including those responsibilities as a CYC Board member and being active in the life and mission of the local parish - especially youth ministry activities.
- Assist families with coordinating travel to/from CYC Board meetings/events.
- Actively participate in CYC Board meetings/events as appropriate, especially mentoring and guiding youth in their tasks and responsibilities.

Family Life Ministries



DID YOU KNOW?

In August 2022, Bishop Vetter established the Office of Family Life, Pro-Life, and Evangelization. In part, this office exists to provide opportunities and resources to build, strengthen, and create a culture of marriage and family life in the Diocese of Helena. *In our world today, Christ's vision of marriage and of the family is one which invites us to live abundantly!*

UPCOMING EVENTS

Join us! We are creating intentional community through opportunities where encounters are likely and relationships grow.

<https://diocesehelena.org/family>



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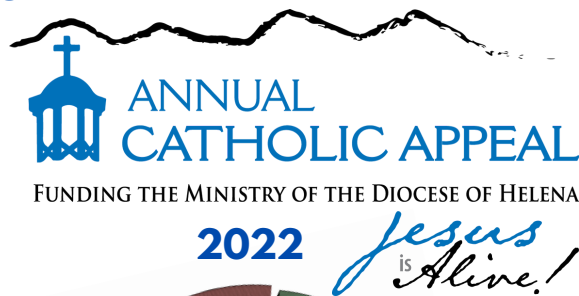
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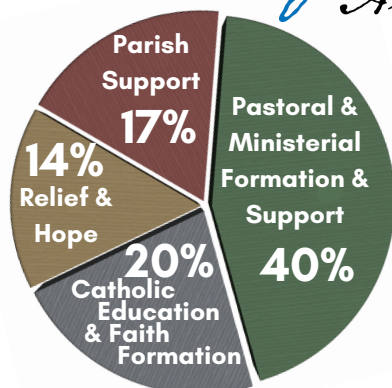
Questions?

Contact the Stewardship office:
Sharon Witham, 406-389-0762.



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For Youth By Youth Scholarship

Paper Application (submit online at diocesehelena.org/fyby)



The For Youth By Youth Scholarship (FYBY) was created by the CYC Board to foster a community of believers with equal access to OYYAM programs. It was established and continues to be funded through the generous stewardship of both youth and adults. Funds are dispersed based on need and participation in a local parish, with preference given to youth in grades 6-12. The FYBY Scholarship provides up to 50% of the registration cost of an OYYAM event. We encourage the local parish to also assist financially towards the cost.

APPLICANT (YOUTH) INFORMATION

First Name:		Last Name:	
Email:		Grade:	Date of Birth:
Mailing Address:		City/Town:	
Zip:	Phone:	Parish Name:	

PARENT/GUARDIAN INFORMATION:

First Name:		Last Name:	
Email:		Phone:	
Relationship (e.g. "Mother"):			

QUESTIONS FOR APPLICANT:

Name & Date of event for which you are seeking financial assistance:	
Have you ever applied for a FYBY Scholarship before? If "yes," when, for which event(s), and how much were you awarded?	
Please list other OYYAM events you are planning to or have already participated in <i>this</i> year?	
Do you have siblings who will participate in OYYAM events <i>this</i> year? If yes, which event(s) and will they apply for a FYBY scholarship?	

FINANCIAL NEED DECLARATION (THIS IS A NEED-BASED SCHOLARSHIP.)

I declare that the cost of this event would be a financial burden to my family? (circle one)	I Agree ----- I Disagree
Would you be able to participate in this event if you do not receive any FYBY scholarship aid? (The maximum award is 50% of the registration fee)	Yes ----- No ----- Maybe
On a scale of 1-10, how likely are you to participate in this event if you DO NOT receive any FYBY scholarship funds? (1=Not Likely; 10=Very Likely)	

PASTOR, PARISH/PASTORAL ADMINISTRATOR, OR YOUTH MINISTER INFORMATION:

First Name:		Last Name:	
Title/Role:		Phone:	
Email:			

(To be completed by the applicant's pastor, parish/pastoral administrator, or youth minister.)

- Do you affirm and support the applicant's participation in this OYYAM event/program? 1. Yes 2. No
- Will your parish provide financial assistance to the applicant to participate in this event? 1. Yes 2. No 3. I don't know.
- How would you rate the applicant's participation in parish life? 1. Full 2. Sufficient 3. Some 4. None

Youth Signature:

Date

Pastor/Youth Minister Signature

Date

By signing, you confirm that the information provided is accurate and true.

I, the undersigned hereby grant permission for me/my child (Participant) to attend and participate in the 2023-2024 CYC Board (Board), which may require transportation away from my home church. As a legal adult myself or the parent/legal guardian of Participant, I remain legally responsible for any personal actions taken by Participant. I agree on behalf of myself/my child, or our heirs, successors, and assigns, to hold harmless and defend my parish/school and the Roman Catholic Bishop of Helena, Diocese of Helena (Diocese), Carroll College, adult chaperones, and representatives associated with Board, arising from or in connection with me/my child attending the event(s) or in connection with any illness, injury or cost of medical treatment in connection therewith, and I agree to compensate the parish, its directors and agents, and the Diocese, chaperones or its representatives for reasonable attorney's fees and expenses arising in connection therewith.

I hereby warrant that to the best of my knowledge, I/my child is in good health, and I assume all responsibility for the health of me/my child. In the event of an emergency, I hereby give permission to transport me/my child to a hospital for emergency medical or surgical treatment. I wish to be advised prior to any further treatment by the hospital/doctor.

I/my child agrees to abide by all rules attached to Board. Specific behaviors that are not permitted include but are not limited to: fighting, obscene language, offensive or revealing clothing, and the use/possession of tobacco, vaping products, alcohol, illegal drugs, and weapons. I also understand that if Participant violates any of the rules, Participant may be required to leave the activity at his/her own expense.

Event directors have the authority to prohibit video camera or other forms of image-recording devices, as appropriate, to prevent distractions or to protect against violating the privacy of participants. Violation of this policy may result in confiscation of such equipment for the duration of a Board meeting and/or dismissal from the event(s).

By signing this form I understand that a picture of myself/my child and/or work or projects created by myself/my child (e.g. still pictures, audio/video recording, etc.) may be published in print or online by my parish, school, Legendary Lodge, Diocese, The Foundation for the Diocese of Helena, Carroll College, or their agents to advance the mission and purpose of the Catholic Church. I also grant Diocese permission to share the information included on the registration form with these or other entities to advance the mission and purpose of the Catholic Church.

Participant (Youth/Adult) Signature Date

Parent/Guardian Signature Date

ADULT DIOCESAN POLICY STATEMENT (Required of all Adult Chaperones):

I hereby attest that I have read or been informed of and agree to comply with the provisions of the Diocese of Helena's Policy Regarding Child Abuse, Sexual Misconduct, and Sexual Harassment, including submitting to a background check through my parish or Catholic school.

Adult Participant Signature Date

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Registration is to be managed by the parish ("Youth Minister").

Each parish will manage registration differently. Please do not register until you have had a conversation with your youth minister. Youth group leaders may use this paper registration to gather the necessary information from their youth/parents, then register online. Please do not mail/return physical registrations to the Diocese. All youth participants (grades 9-12) must be accompanied by an adult who meets our Safe Environment (VIRTUS) policies. This is usually the youth minister or other adult volunteer from the parish/school. Contact Kevin Molm with questions: kmolm@diocesehelena.org or 406.389.7055.

Cost: \$325 Youth (Grades 9-12); \$100 for Adult Chaperones
 Payment: Payment is managed by local parish/school.
 Financial Assistance Available: diocesehelena.org/fyby

More information and online registration at:

diocesehelena.org/cycboard

First Name:		Last Name:			
(First) Name on Name Badge:	Status (Circle one):	Grade 9 Adult Chaperone	Grade 10	Grade 11 Priest/Religious	Grade 12
Address:					
City/State/Zip:					
Email:	Phone:		Date of Birth (MM/DD/YY):		
Parish Name:	Tshirt Size - Circle One - (All Sizes Adult): XS / Small / Medium / Large / XL / 2XL / 3XL			Sex (Male or Female):	
Emergency Contact Name:	Emergency Contact Phone:		Relationship (e.g. "Mom"):		
Emergency Contact Email:	*Youth Minister / Parish Contact Name:				

*All high school youth (grades 9-12) must be accompanied by a safe environment adult. Your parish/youth minister is responsible for helping you identify that person. See the Handbook for more details about chaperones.

Dietary Restrictions or Serious Medical Conditions

Please describe any conditions that need special accommodation or should be known in case of emergency:

On a separate page, with this registration **submit a 250-500 word essay** that answers the following:
Why do you want to join CYC Board and what do you hope to learn through your experience?