



Programmes for leaders (and those who want to be leaders)

Explore Leadership Retreat | 19-22 January at St Joseph's Centre, Takapuna.

A summer retreat for existing and developing youth leaders aged 15 to 25 (or older/younger leaders after consultation with the ACYM Team). The 2017 retreat will focus on *Young People: You Are the Church*. Leaders who attend this retreat will be introduced sessions and receive resources they can use with their own group focused on 'Fit for Mission' and how young people can participate fully in the Church today. For more information, contact Joey.

Certificate in Catholic Youth Ministry Youth Ministry

TH102 Introduction to Theology Paper | Monday evenings – 13, 20, 27 March, 3, April, 1, 8, 15 May.

This programme is offered by The Catholic Institute of Aotearoa (TCI). Theology is "faith seeking understanding". This course will explore questions about God, Jesus Christ, creation and being human in light of scripture, tradition and experience. The lecturer is Lyn Smith. For those who wish to complete the Certificate in Catholic Youth Ministry there are seven papers in total to complete. Each paper costs \$92.00. For more information, contact Rochelle.

Mentoring Programme | 2, 9 and 16 February

Learn to be the mentor you needed when you were younger. This is a session for experienced leaders where they will learn about mentoring, compassionate communication, working with a difference, pastoral realities and the best practice for mentoring of young people. This programme is designed for experienced leaders and those in governance roles. Apply to Teresa (teresam@cda.org.nz). Applications close Thursday, 26 Jan.2017.

Emmaus | May to October. Emmaus is a leadership development programme for current youth ministry leaders who wish to develop their own gifts and talents to become the leader that God calls them to be. Our vision is to journey alongside leaders as they reflect on leadership as a call to mission, as they develop their understanding of themselves and what they bring to their parishes/community as well as learning/applying practical ministry skills. This is achieved through prayer, creative activities, reflection on leadership, building new relationships and mentoring. For more information, contact Joey.



A range of programme and other resources are available to leaders from our website:

<http://www.aucklandcatholic.org.nz/youth-young-adult-ministry/>.

Activities for young people

Monthly Diocesan Youth Mass | Last Sunday of the month February to November: 7.00pm at St Patrick's Cathedral and second Sunday of February and December.

Diocesan Youth Masses are hosted by a different region/community each month. All young people (and those young at heart) are welcome to attend. Often praise and worship or catechesis is offered before Mass. Hospitality is provided after Mass in spring and summer (September to March). For more information, contact Rochelle.

Caritas Challenge | April

The Caritas Challenge is a 24-hour event for schools and youth groups during April that builds solidarity with those living with poverty or injustice. The focus of the Caritas Challenge for 2017 is climate change in the Pacific. All funds raised will go towards programmes in Kiribati. Participating in the Caritas Challenge is a great way to offer the Justice and Service component of youth ministry to young people in a fun way. There are four challenges to choose from: Move It, Live It, Sweat It, Stop It.

For more information, contact Rochelle or check the Caritas Challenge website: <http://www.caritas.org.nz/caritas-challenge>.

World Youth Day Auckland | Saturday 15 and Sunday 16 July

WYD Auckland is an annual event held in July each year. The programme includes events at regional and diocesan level incorporating community service, catechesis, prayer, praise and worship, testimony, pilgrim walk and a Diocesan Youth Mass. An invitation is extended to groups to help lead this programme in March or April each year. For more information, contact Teresa.



Regional Days | A two-part programme

Session 1 is for experienced, new and developing leaders. It will focus on key elements Tu Kahikatea Standing Tall (framework for Catholic ministry with young people), Hikoi Tahi (standards for ministry to young people) and Standards for Volunteers and Employees in Ministry. It will also include a practical element that begins the planning process for a regional day for teens and young adults from that region led by regional leaders.

Session 2 is for teens and young adults in that region. Examples of regional days are retreat days, community service/outreach, Called to Action (a programme that explores links between the Catholic faith, justice issues and advocacy), leadership format/training, music workshops, youth gatherings, sports days, Caritas Challenge etc. Session 2 will be led by regional leaders with support from the ACYM team. For more information, contact Teresa.

Activities for young adults

Music Ministry: This is a new initiative for 2017 that has as its goal bringing musicians and those who are passionate about music together for a monthly session of teaching and jamming. Initially this will be offered on a Wednesday night at Liston Hall (St Patrick's Cathedral). Ultimately this may lead to weekend workshops available for musicians in their teens. For more information, contact Joey.



Outreach: OutReach is a young adult volunteer group that meets twice each month. One session is typically on a weekday evening and the second is a service activity on a weekend. Activities include prayer, learning about the Catholic faith, community service and social activities. Some members of this group are developing skills that they can lead sessions at youth groups. For more information, contact Rochelle.

PfI: A group for young adults focusing on advocating for social justice issues by learning and applying Catholic Social Teaching. This group typically meets one weekday evening per month but often attends public meetings, protest walks etc. For more information, contact Teresa.

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