

Catholic Youth Spectacular - September 18, 2011 1:00 -7:00

Orientation Summary and really important details for group leaders to know before you arrive!!!

If you missed the orientation, please come and pickup your stuff. If you have any questions, send me an e-mail sbaldwin@adh-ore.org - though I won't respond until Sept 12th after my family reunion and daughter's wedding!!!

Resource Bag

Those that sent in "an intent to participate" form and a \$50.00 deposit for the Resource bag (valued at \$100.00!!!) received the following:

- GivaGetta backpack and pen. **Info packet and special offer**
- NFCYM Living and Loving Our Faith (LLOL): Church
- APeX T-shirt – Orange with Gorilla
- Saint Mary's Press – Stations for Teens– **special offer**
- Lawn Chair in liturgical colors
- Water Bottle – **limited supply of extras \$4.00 each**
- CYS Thyme Planter – I hope you have better luck growing thyme than I have in growing time.....
- LLOL Bookmarks
- Rediscovering Catholicism – **extra copies at \$3.00 each while supplies last**
- The Mystery of Faith
- Roman Missal
- Themed **Liturgical Lanyards** – whatever paid for. Yellow brings its own food.
- **Programs** for ½ your numbers. Please share!!
- **A bunch of literature:** Youcat, Mighty Mac movie, Family Day flyer, and more

Registration and Information Table (12:00-1:00)

Buses arrive at the lower level and drop off. Driveway will be ONE WAY. Participants walk up the same side that the buses park on. Cross road in front of the registration table.

- You will be met by "yellow shirted" Hospitality Ambassadors. They will direct you to your "flagged" quadrant.
- Settle yourselves on your blankets and, if early enough, wander around.
- See map for options

Scavenger Hunt – Go to the UHa booth to get the scavenger hunt. Take all day (but not 1:00 - 3:30) to complete. Get it back to the UHA table by 5:00 for prizes.

"Will call" – come to the registration table to get (and pay for) extra lanyards that you called to let us know you will need. Any additions requested after the orientation are

\$30.00 and these folks MUST bring their own food. Numbers were submitted to the kitchen on Sept 2nd

Port O'Lets – Unless you have special clearance because of a medical condition and have notified Shawnee of it, the only time you will be allowed in the building is between 3:30 – 5:00 for the picnic – Dining room only.

Trash and clean up – We need to clean up after ourselves so this field is spotless for Northwest Catholic sports on Monday and we get invited back!! There will be trash barrels all around the perimeter and extras ones near the dining room

Sound – we will have sound in front and behind the stage so you can hear stuff as you mingle at the tables, wait in line for food, or take the “mobile phone” Survey.

VENDORS – should be set up and ready to go by 12:00. All cars must be out of the circle by 11:30

Youth Group Fundraiser Concessions – Popcorn, Sandy Candy, Baked Goods, Cold Beverages, Ice cream. And *Rediscovering Catholicism* Books (\$3.00). Have kids bring cash for this – coins or small bills if possible

Joia Farmer and band will play during registration (12:00-1:00). If you miss her here, you won't hear her again until Liturgy.

Welcome, Procession & Prayer (1:00)

Have your group representatives start to assemble at 12:45 in their designated area After the welcome, the song “Here for You” (page 11) signals the start of the procession and opening activities. ORE Banner and Archdiocese of Hartford banners are first. Followed by special cross decorated with youth leaders hands – made at the orientation - represents your work, prayers, and concerns. Then groups process toward the stage with their:

- Parish/School banner (1-2 people)
- Shelter items - socks (1)
- Backpack food item (1-2)
- Plant (Hosta, Day lily or some other low maintenance, can-survive-on-neglect shade plant)

Hospitality Ambassadors will direct placement. Leave everything except your parish/school banner.

- **Green** (Luke) and **White** (John) will come up the middle aisle.
- **Red** (Matthew) will come from the left aisle.
- **Purple** (Mark) will come from Right aisle.

Skits and Introduction of theme. Orange band distribution-symbolic of bondage and change. You should have enough wrist bands for each person in your group (there will be extras if you don't have enough). They are not to be distributed until Deacon Art Miller

concludes his introduction. Persons will put the wrist band on a partner and say: “You are not for sale. I am not for sale. No one should be for sale.”

Followed by Family Day Skit

Icebreaker Break (1:45)

Designed to get kids mingling. All Icebreakers come from the Resource Book if you want to use them back at “home”.

APeX Ministries – Brad and Gene (2:15)

“Free time”(3:30-5:00)

See the map and the program for a variety of activities. Visit the vendors. Highlights:

- **Catholic Idol** – Sign up with MC’s, Gene and Brad, to showcase your talent: poem, song, dance....
- **Mobile Survey** We are a pilot site for a National survey that will take place at NCYC in November. Kids will be directed to text 313131 and get access to the survey. Takes about 7 minutes to take. VERY COOL!!
- Traditional **Stations** in Spanish, set up on easels, start at the Maryknoll booth and end at the Tennis courts. Resurrection Stations start at the Tennis Court and bring you back to the stage area.
- **Newman Club Quilt Making** – create a cloth square. They will be sewn together and distributed to the Hebrew Home and St. Mary Home.
- **Reconciliation** – release some of the things that keep you in bondage.
- **Memorial Rosary Garden** – After four years, the Rosary Garden is a reality!! Check out your programs for Joyous Mystery reflections. **I need your baby picture for the 3rd mystery..... Copy and mail it. Or fax it by Sept 12th 860-243-9690**
- **Mary of the Nations** – One Mary, many devotions.
- **Catholic Relief Global Solidarity activity** – experience what it’s like to make decisions in a third world country. Write a prayer that will be part of the offertory.
- **Free2Walk activity** – Learn about Human Trafficking. The Berlin Turnpike is a major “thruway” for trafficking of young people.
- Liturgical Lanyard **Picnic** – *“the last will be first, and the first shall be last.”*
 - 3:30 **White** (blue chairs) John section
 - 3:50 **Green** - Luke section
 - 4:10 **Purple** – Mark section
 - 4:30 **Red** – Matthew section

- **Yellow** Lanyards (scattered throughout all the Gospels) brought their own lunch. Eat whenever.

Mass Prep (5:00)

- Report to Lucy Zocco and/or Fr Jeff Romans at the stage if you have any Mass responsibilities (altar servers, lectors, communion stations holders - Mary of the Nation poster)
 - Clean up your area of ALL trash
 - Last call at the Port o lets
 - Put away food
 - Get rid of gum
 - Store the hats
- Return completed **Scavenger Hunt sheets** to UHa Newman Club booth
- **Fill out evaluations** and place on the table in front of the stage.

Mass / Liturgy (5:30)

- Parents and families are welcome to attend Mass. Have them arrive by 5:15.
- **Programs** are to be shared. **If you got them in advance, remember to bring them back with you. We do not have extras.** Blue items are short explanations of the Mass parts. Green items are sung.
- Have your designated person begin to collect all your “set aside \$6.00” money for the offertory. Put it in the plastic bag that your lanyards were packed in. Mark it with your group name: a friendly competition to see what group can raise the most money per person! Remember that if we raise \$4000.00 specifically for the Immaculate Shelter, it will be matched and the donation will be made in the name of our young people.
The song “**Here I am to Worship**” is your clue to come forward with your offering.
- Hospitality Ambassadors will bring up:
 - Wine and host
 - Prayers from Global Solidarity Activity
 - Small basket of Back pack items
 - Basket of socks
 - Other stuff if I think of it between now and next week!!
- During Mass we will recognize and bless Catechists and Catechetical Leaders (Its Catechetical Sunday) .
- We also recognize and bless those going to NCYC in November

Departure 7:00