

YOUTH RETREAT

LET YOUR LIGHT SHINE!!!

New Jersey – November 13-15, 2009

Goal: The main goal of this retreat is to invite the young people to explore their own personal gifts, and to encourage them to share their abilities with others. Hopefully, this retreat will emphasize: the light of Christ in their life, and be the LIGHT OF CHRIST for others.

From this, I hope they will EMBRACE their baptismal call and experience a deeper initiation into their welcoming church community, GROW in knowledge of the person, mission, and message of Jesus Christ, UNDERSTAND the role of the sacrament in the Church's life and their own lives, and lastly to RECOGNIZE the activity of the Holy Spirit in their lives, and in the life of the church.

Friday 13, 2009 Topic: FAITH

TIME	TOPIC
6:00 pm	CHECK-IN (dinner?)
7:00 pm	RETREAT RULES / who's in your family? 4 Leaders with 4 groups (<i>pick a theme for your group</i>)
7:30 pm	Introduction of the theme
8:00 pm	BENEDICTION / Divine Mercy
8:45 pm	Seeing The Light In Yourself – <i>form a circle and use one big candle to pass around for sharing, then light up your own candle.</i>
10:00 pm	Light out

Saturday 14, 2009 Topic: HOPE

7:00 am	WAKE UP CALL
7:45 am	PRAYER – <i>each family will offer a spontaneous prayer for the day.</i>
8:15 am	BREAKFAST
9:00 am	Praise & Worship
9:30 am	FAITH WALK ACTIVITIES
10:15 am	THE DEPTHS OF GOD'S LOVE – <i>this session depicts the influence of our everyday sins of Christ, how He died for them and loved us in spite of them, going to the point of shedding HIS BLOOD for us.</i>
11:00	Break for 15 minutes
11:15 am	WHAT IS PURITY? – Testimony on "True Love can wait"
12:00	Lunch
1:00 pm	Free time – Music Praise & Worship
2:00 pm	(skit) THE PRODIGAL SON (4 leaders create your own skit in modern time)
3:00 pm	Divine Mercy
3:15 pm	Confession
5:00 pm	MASS
6:00 pm	Dinner

7:00 pm	Free time – Walking in the Light of God
8:00 pm	BENEDICTION / Gifts from God – letters (from parents)
9:30 pm	Closing Prayer
10:00 pm	Light out

Sunday 15, 2009 Topic: LOVE

7:00 am	Waking up / packing up
8:00 am	Morning prayer / breakfast
8:30 am	Listening Game
9:00 am	SPEAK, LORD, YOUR SERVANT IS LISTENING
10:00 am	Question & Answer
11:00 am	MASS – with families
12:00 am	Humble Lunch – Go in peace!!!

Chú ý: Xin mỗi phụ huynh viết một lá thư cho các em - một lời khuyên duy nhất trong đời. Đây là lá thư được giữ kín, chính các em cũng không được biết cho đến khi được phát ra trong retreat.