

CATHOLIC YOUTH MINISTRY OFFICE

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Greetings!

Enclosed are the registration materials and information you need for our 55th Annual Diocesan Convention / Youth & Young Adult Conference. This year's theme is "Can You Hear Me Now?+ We are excited to welcome Pam Stenzel as our Keynote Speaker and OCP Recording Artist Curtis Stephan as our Music Minister. A few highlights will be an overnight excursion sleeping under the stars with other Catholic youth from our Diocese. There will be community building, dynamic talks, prayer, food, vendors, lots of music, Keynote Speakers, break-out sessions, praise sessions which includes: a prayer room, Adoration and Benediction. Liturgy will be celebrated on Sunday, with Bishop William Weigand. It will be a Faith-filled and FUN experience!

Details at a Glance

What: Diocese of Sacramento Youth & Young Adult Conference
When: Saturday, July 21 and Sunday, July 22, 2007
Where: El Dorado County Fairgrounds
100 Placerville Drive
Placerville, CA 95667 (directions enclosed)

Who: High school teens (grades 9-12), young adults and adult chaperones (25+years)
Cost: \$15 per person ~~or \$20 per person after the deadline~~ (late registration fee *WAIVED!*)
Deadlines: **July 1, 2007** - Pre-Registration Deadline
July 2 - July 13, 2007 - Late Registration (no registrations accepted after July 13, ~~there will be no on-site registrations~~). **All materials must be received in the office by the date indicated.**

Registration

Please use the attached registration form, which may be duplicated as needed. Please print legibly in ink or type all information requested. **The pre-registration deadline is July 1, 2007.** **Registration must include payment. ONE CHECK PER PARISH PLEASE.**

Saturday, July 21st Schedule:

1:00 PM	Check-In Time
1:30 PM	Music
3:00 PM	Welcome/Opening Address
3:30 PM	Keynote Speaker 1
4:30 PM	Break/Travel Time
5:00 PM - 8:30 PM	Dinner & Vendors Multicultural Celebrations through Dance
5:00 PM - 6:00 PM	Break-Out Session 1
6:15 PM - 7:10 PM	Break-Out Session 2
7:30 PM - 8:30 PM	Break-Out Session 3
9:00 PM - 12:00 AM	Main Event "Soul-ed Out" Talk, Praise Session: Adoration, Benediction, Concert
1:00 AM	Lights Out!

Sunday, July 22nd Schedule:

6:00 AM	Coffee Cart Open
8:00 AM	Morning Prayer
8:30 AM	Music
8:30 AM - 10:00 AM	Breakfast
10:00 AM	Keynote 2
11:15 AM	Snack Break/Prepare for Mass
12:00 PM	Closing Liturgy
2:00 PM	Pack-Up/Clean-Up/Departure

Promotion

Enclosed is a Black & White flier for your use. Space is allotted at the bottom for you to insert information for your teens. Please copy and make the flier available to the youth in your parish.

Liturgy

Liturgy will be held on-site. Youth and Young Adults representing different parishes are invited to participate as altar servers, choir members, lectors, and extra ordinary Eucharistic Ministers. **All those involved with the liturgy must attend the session to prepare for Liturgy on Sunday morning (11:15 AM).**

T-Shirts

T-shirts will be available to purchase at the event. All sizes will be available. The cost per t-shirt is \$15.00.

Code of Behavior

To be sure everyone is clear about what is considered appropriate behavior, please make copies of the Code of Behavior and distribute it to the participants prior to the Conference. Be sure parents understand the Code of Behavior also, as their signature is required. The adult coordinator and adult chaperones are responsible for the behavior of their group throughout the Conference.

Packing List

Sleeping bag, pillow, change of clothes, toiletries (including insect repellent), flashlights, towel and sweatshirt. Dress appropriately for an over night camping trip. Extra spending money is needed for the collection at Liturgy, food, snacks and purchases from vendors.

Dress Code

Our dress code is simple- neat, casual clothing. All clothing worn must be in good taste, clean, and not tattered. Clothing advertising products, behavior, and values contrary to the Catholic Church are unacceptable. Also unacceptable are: strapless, tube, or spaghetti-strap tops, short-shorts, and extremely over-sized clothing. Jeans, shorts, and tennis shoes are fine.

The adult coordinator and adult chaperones are responsible for communicating the dress code to youth participants and ensuring that all are attired appropriately. It is not necessary to bring dress-up clothing.

Diocesan Consent-to-Treat Form

When you bring a group to the Convention, please be sure you have the approved diocesan consent-to-treat form for each participant and each adult. **The adult coordinator is responsible for keeping these forms in his/her possession (or in the possession of the appropriate drivers) throughout the Conference. Do not send these forms in with your registration form(s).** Forms are included below.

Financial Difficulty

No one is to be turned away from the Conference because of financial limitations. If you become aware of a teen who would like to attend but cannot afford to do so, please check to see if there is money available from the parish or school. If it is impossible for the parish or school to cover the cost, please contact the Diocesan Youth and Young Adult Ministry Office. Partial and/or full scholarships to the Conference are available.

Medical Personnel

We will have a First Aid/CPR-certified person on site throughout the event.

Food

There will be plenty of vendors available on the premises to purchase food. **Special Note:** Youth Coordinators may want to bring an ice chest with food and refreshments for your youth to help cut down on the cost. Just a reminder no glass containers allowed on the premises.

Special Needs

We try to make the Conference a barrier-free event. If you have a participant with special needs, please note it on the registration form. Interpreters for the hearing-impaired and deaf community are available with advance notice.

Social Justice Component

Each year the Conference committee selects an organization to receive the collection from the Liturgy. This year's collection will go to assist The Upper Room serving the homeless and hungry of El Dorado County and Catholic Relief Services.

Directions to El Dorado County Fairgrounds

Please make a copy for each of your drivers in case you get separated while traveling to and from the Conference. It is also a good idea to have copies of maps for your drivers.

From Sacramento, Vacaville, etc.

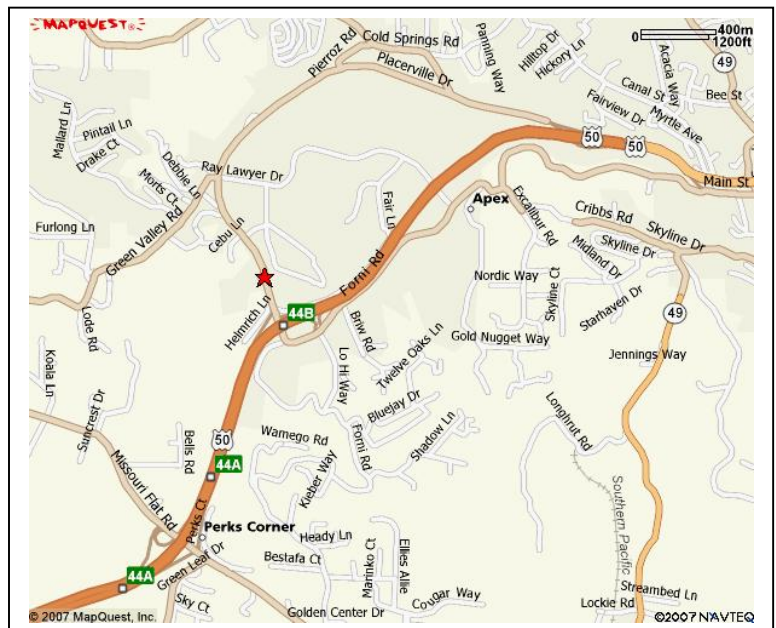
US 50 East

Take exit #44B/Forni Rd onto Forni Rd
toward Placerville Drive

Continue on Placerville Drive
Arrive at 100 Placerville Drive
Fairgrounds on the right

Enclosures:

- Registration Form
- Cover Sheet
- Code of Behavior
- Youth Consent Form
- Adult Consent Form
- Schedule for the Day
- Promotional Flier



**Diocese of Sacramento
"Can You Hear Me Now?"
Conference July 21 & 22, 2007**

Payment Form

PLEASE RETURN THIS FORM

DEADLINE: July 1, 2007. Send ONE check payable to Catholic Youth Ministry along with the registration form to: Office of Youth Ministry, 2110 Broadway, Sacramento, CA 95818.

There are **no refunds**. Because of space limitations, **there will be no on-site registrations**. Please copy this form as needed. Retain copies of completed forms for your files. The pre-registration deadline is July 1, 2007. Registrations will be accepted through July 13. To be considered on-time all forms must be received in the office by the deadline date. Registrations will be accepted only through July 13!

To ensure on-time registration, **hand delivery to the Pastoral Center** is strongly suggested!

Please staple this form to the front of your registration form. Attach your check to the bottom portion of this form. Thank you.

Name of Parish/School/Movement/Group _____

Number of Youth Participants _____

Number of Young Adults _____

Number of Adult Chaperones _____

TOTAL NUMBER OF PARTICIPANTS _____

TOTAL NUMBER OF PARTICIPANTS _____ x \$15 = _____

~~LATE FEE (\$5 per person, July 2 – July 13) _____ x \$5 = **WAIVED**~~

AMOUNT ENCLOSED WITH REGISTRATION FORM = _____

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 "Can You Hear Me Now?"
 Conference July 21 & 22, 2007**

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Registration Form: Deadline: July 1, 2007, Late Registration by July 13, 2007

Name of Parish of Catholic High School/Youth Ministry/Movement/or Group
City
Name of Youth Ministry Coordinator or Catholic High School Campus Minister
Phone Number (day) include area code
Phone Number (evening) include area code
Name of Adult Responsible for Group During the Convention (if different from above)
Phone Number (day and evening)

Adult Chaperones: Diocesan policy requires 1 adult for every 8 participants for the entire Conference. Chaperones must be 25 years of age or older.

Young Adults: If young adults (out of high school & 18-24 years of age) accompany your group, list them after the youth participants, and put %A+ in the Class of column.

Special Needs: Please note in this box any special needs; such as Health, Hearing Impaired, Mobility, Vegetarian, etc.

All young adults and adults must be fingerprinted and approved by the Diocese prior to Conference.

PLEASE PRINT LEGIBLY IN INK OR TYPE (copy this form as needed)

	YOUTH PARTICIPANTS	CLASS OF	SPECIAL NEEDS
	High School Participants	(07,08,09,10, 11)	
1			
2			
3			
4			
5			
6			
7			
8			
9			
10			
	ADULT CHAPERONES	CHAPERONE	SPECIAL NEEDS
	(Chaperones must be 25 years of age or older)		
1			
2			
3			
4			
5			

CONFERENCE CODE OF BEHAVIOR

WELCOME to the Sacramento Diocesan Conference! We are glad you are here! You represent your family, your youth group and parish; we expect great things from you!

Some guidelines

1. All youth and adults participate fully in the Conference program and activities. Leaving the Convention site during the day is not permitted. Coordinators and Chaperones are responsible for the whereabouts of their participants throughout the Conference.
2. **PARISH YOUTH MINISTRY COORDINATORS** and **CHAPERONES** are responsible for the actions of their participants. Each parish takes full responsibility for any damage or theft done by members throughout the Conference.
3. **WE LOOK TO THE ADULT LEADERS** in each group to help enforce the code and set an example to their young people. Any adult in attendance at the Conference has the authority to reprimand any young person in violation of the code, and to report them to the Diocesan Coordinator and/or the parish youth ministry coordinator.
4. All participants are expected to attend all Conference activities. **NAME BADGES** and **WRIST BANDS** must be worn at all times in order to be admitted. This is for the safety of all participants.
5. Possession of alcohol, drugs, or weapons is prohibited by the Conference. Participants will be dismissed from the Conference under such circumstances.
6. Smoking, drugs and alcohol are prohibited inside and outside all buildings at El Dorado County Fairgrounds.
7. An atmosphere of community, fellowship and trust makes the Conference a wonderful experience for participants. Your openness to the program and activities contributes to a successful day!
8. Inappropriate behavior and breaking any of these guidelines listed above, will result in the participants dismissal from the Conference, and be the responsibility of the parent to pick-up their youth from the Conference at the parent's expense.

We respectfully ask for your cooperation and are sure that you will have no trouble adhering to this code of behavior. The main thing to remember is that you represent the Church and are asked to project an image of Christian consideration, sensitivity, and respect to all others and to the property around you. Thank you!

Participant Signature (Date)

Parent's Signature (Date)
(Under the Age of 18)

CATHOLIC YOUTH MINISTRY - DIOCESE OF SACRAMENTO YOUTH FORM

(This form is for the express use of junior high and high school youth ministry in the Diocese of Sacramento. It is not intended for use by Catholic schools or parish faith formation classes. The form remains in effect for one year from date of parent/guardian signature.)

Participant Name: _____ Date of Birth (month/day/year): _____

Parent / Guardian: _____

Street Address: _____

City / State / Zip Code: _____

Home Telephone Number (include area code): _____

Work Telephone Number (include area code): _____

MEDICAL MATTERS

I, (name of parent/guardian): _____, grant permission for my child _____ to participate in the Youth Ministry sponsored by the (name of parish): _____ and the Diocese of Sacramento. *(Of the following statements pertaining to medical matters, sign only those in accordance with your wishes.)*

EMERGENCY MEDICAL TREATMENT

In the event of an emergency, I hereby give permission to the Diocese of Sacramento, parishes within the Diocese, and their employees, agents, representatives and volunteers, to transport my child to a medical facility for emergency medical, dental or surgical treatment I hereby consent to those aforementioned individuals to authorize emergency treatment for my child. I wish to be advised prior to any further treatment by the hospital or doctor. I agree to provide the Youth Ministry with current telephone numbers of where I can be reached, including cell phone numbers and the names and phone numbers of individuals who are likely to know where I am. In the event of an emergency, if you are unable to reach me at the above numbers, please contact:

NAME: _____

RELATIONSHIP: _____

TELEPHONE (include area code): _____

FAMILY DOCTOR: _____

TELEPHONE (include area code): _____

FAMILY HEALTH PLAN CARRIER: _____

POLICY NUMBER: _____ PARTICIPANT'S SOC SEC # _____

(1) Signature _____ Date _____

OTHER MEDICAL TREATMENT

In the event it comes to the attention of the Diocese of Sacramento, or any of its employees, agents, representatives, volunteers or chaperons of any parish, that my child becomes ill with symptoms such as headache, vomiting, sore throat, fever, diarrhea, I want to be called collect (with telephone charges reversed to myself).

(2) Signature _____ Date _____

MEDICATIONS

My child is taking medications at present. My child will bring all such medications necessary, and such medications will be well-labeled. Names of medications and concise directions for taking such medications, including dosage and frequency of dosage are as follows:

.....
I give permission to the chaperons supplied by Youth Ministry to administer these medications.

(3) Signature _____ Date _____

No medication of any type whether prescription or nonprescription may be administered to my child unless the situation is life-threatening and emergency treatment is required.

(4) Signature _____ Date _____

I hereby grant permission for nonprescription medication (such as non-aspirin pain relievers, throat lozenges, cough syrup) to be given to my child, if deemed advisable by the chaperons supplied by Youth Ministry.

(5) Signature _____ Date _____

SPECIFIC MEDICAL INFORMATION: The Diocese of Sacramento will take reasonable care to see that this information will be held in confidence.

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Allergic reactions (medications, foods, plants, insects, etc.)

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Immunizations: Date of last tetanus / diphtheria immunization

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Medications child currently takes

.....
Does child have a medically prescribed diet?

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Any physical limitations?

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Is child subject to chronic homesickness, emotional reactions to new situations, sleepwalking, bed wetting, fainting?

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Have you recently been exposed to contagious disease or condition, such as mumps, measles, chicken pox, etc? If so, date and disease or condition.

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Line 1: You should also be aware of these special medical conditions.

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Line 2: Special medical conditions, continued.

TRANSPORTATION

I give permission for my child _____ to be transported to and/or from youth ministry programs, events, and activities in vehicles driven by adult chaperons selected by the parish youth ministry coordinator in accordance with diocesan guidelines.

LIABILITY WAIVER

For value received, I represent that I am a custodial parent of my child and agree on behalf of myself, my child, & other parent

.....
(Name of parent)

(if known or living), my child named herein, our heirs, successors, and assigns, to forever release, discharge, defend and hold harmless the DIOCESE OF SACRAMENTO, parishes of the Diocese, the Office of Youth Ministry, their staff, officers, directors, employees, agents, volunteers, sponsors, promoters, and affiliates, from any and all liability, claim, loss, damage, cost or expense that may be made or brought on my behalf or on my child's & other parent's behalf, or on my child's behalf against the DIOCESE OF SACRAMENTO, parishes of the Diocese, the Office of Youth Ministry, their staff, officers, directors, employees, agents, volunteers, sponsors, promoters, and affiliates. I forever waive any such claims against any such person or organization arising directly or indirectly from, or attributable in any legal way, to any action or omission to act of any such person or organization named above.

I fully understand the consequence of the foregoing statements and sign this **PARENTAL / GUARDIAN CONSENT FORM / TRANSPORTATION / LIABILITY WAIVER** knowingly, freely, and willingly. **(Your signature must appear below or your child will not be permitted to participate in the Youth Ministry.)**

(6) Signature _____ Date _____

YOUTH:

I understand and agree that my parent(s) or guardian will be notified at the time of any infractions requiring my dismissal from any Youth Ministry program, event, or activity and that I will be sent home at my own or my parent or guardian's expense. Being found with any alcoholic beverages, drugs or weapons is cause for automatic dismissal from any Youth Ministry program, event, or activity. I agree to uphold and exemplify positive Catholic values and morality at all Youth Ministry programs, events, and activities.

(Your signature must appear below or you will not be permitted to participate in the Youth Ministry.)

(7) Signature _____ Date _____

Please return this form to:

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CHAPERON / ADULT PARTICIPANT FORM**

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Chaperon/Adult Participant _____ Date of Birth (month/day/year) _____
Street Address: _____
City / State / Zip Code: _____
Home Telephone Number (include area code): _____
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Immunizations: Date of last tetanus / diphtheria immunization
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Do you have a medically prescribed diet?
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Any physical limitations?
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Have you recently been exposed to contagious disease or condition, such as mumps, measles, chicken pox, etc? If so, date and disease or condition.
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Line 1: You should also be aware of these special medical conditions.

LIABILITY WAIVER

For value received, I agree on behalf of myself, my heirs, successors, and assigns, to forever release, discharge, defend and hold harmless the DIOCESE OF SACRAMENTO, parishes of the Diocese, the Office of Youth Ministry, their staff, officers, directors, employees, agents, volunteers, sponsors, promoters, and affiliates, from any and all liability, claim, loss, damage, cost or expense that may be made or brought on my behalf against the DIOCESE OF SACRAMENTO, parishes of the Diocese, the Office of Youth Ministry, their staff, officers, directors, employees, agents, volunteers, sponsors, promoters, and affiliates. I forever waive any such claims against any such person or organization arising directly or indirectly from, or attributable in any legal way, to any action or omission to act of any such person or organization named above.

I fully understand the consequence of the foregoing statements and sign this **CONSENT FORM / LIABILITY WAIVER** knowingly, freely, and willingly. **(Your signature must appear below or you will not be permitted to serve as a chaperon/ adult participant in the Youth Ministry.)**

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July 21 & 22, 2007

Schedule of the Day

SATURDAY, July 21st

1:00	PM	Registration Opens
1:30		Music Starts on Lawn
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7:30-8:30		Break-Out Session 3 (1hr)
9:00-12:00	AM	Main Event %Soul-ed Out+ Talk Praise Session: Adoration, Benediction Concert
1:00		Lights Out

SUNDAY, July 22nd

6:00	AM	Coffee Cart
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8:30		Music on Lawn
8:30 . 10:00		Breakfast
10:00		Keynote 2
11:15		Snack Break/Prepare for Mass
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2:00		Pack-up/Clean-up



CAN YOU HEAR ME NOW?



Diocese of Sacramento Youth & Young Adult Conference

July 21-22, 2007

El Dorado County Fairgrounds, Placerville

Join us for a 24-hour celebration with: music (*Curtis Stephan, Stable Mindset, & Heros Die Trying*), speakers (*Keynote Speaker Pam Stenzel*), workshops (*on topics such as life transitions, missionary work, and vocations*), food (*several vendors to choose from*), activities (*fun, games & 2,000 other young people*), and Mass with Bishop Weigand (*and many of our local priests*)!

For more information/to register: