



Diocese of Albany Youth Ministry



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Description of Youth & Young Adult Ministry Programs / Events:

Peer Retreat Team Training & Youth Ministry Team Training
 Youth Leadership Weekend- **Mission: Possible**
 Service Action Learning Team - **S.A.L.T.** {immersion service experience}
 National Catholic Youth Conference (**NCYC**)
 Diocesan Youth Ministry Team (**DYMT**)
 Diocesan Confirmation Retreats,
 Resource and support for Parish Youth Ministers & catechists

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Peer Retreat Team Training:

[contact Dave Stagliano to arrange a training]

This Diocesan training will help develop a Parish/School retreat team and peer leaders for retreats. The training includes: Community building, leading small groups, preparing and giving talks, planning and presenting a retreat, prayer experiences, team and individual responsibilities. [this can be arranged for a parish, vicariate or parish network] A team typically involves several adult leaders and 8 to 10 peer leaders, depending on retreat participant numbers and type of retreat. Some parishes train a large number of peer leaders to assist with different types of retreats for various ages/grades.

Youth Ministry Team Training : *[contact Dave Stagliano to arrange a training]*

Objectives: As a result of this training session, participants will be able to:

- Express their vision and goals for ministry with youth
- Assess their ministry with youth and identify areas of need within their parish community using the USCCB's vision for youth ministry – *Renewing the Vision*
- Identify personal gifts and strengths
- Articulate God's presence in their lives
- Describe the charisms youth bring to the table
- Identify the elements needed to form an effective Youth Ministry Team (adults & teens) to make a difference in their communities.

Diocesan Confirmation Retreats: The Youth Ministry office may host a Fall or Spring Confirmation retreat at various sites around the Diocese, as needed. This retreat is offered for parishes that would like to host a retreat for their Confirmation group and to make available a retreat experience for others who may not be able to attend their parishes retreat.
(Contact David for information or to schedule a retreat)

Resource and support for Parish youth ministers & catechists

One of the goals of the Coordinator of Youth/Young Adult Ministry is to connect with those working in the parishes. To be available for consultation and assistance with planning, preparing or carrying out a comprehensive youth ministry plan. This might include how to use any of the above mentioned areas.



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What is the **Youth Leadership Weekend**

The goal of the *Mission: Possible, Leadership Weekend* is to foster the leadership skills but together with our call as disciples of Jesus to be a voice for the voiceless, hope for the hopeless and light for all people.

WHO Might ATTEND?

The Weekend is for young people in their **freshman through Senior** year of high school, who are involved or preparing for a leadership role in their parish, school or community.

The *Mission: Possible, Leadership Weekend* will offer an opportunity for Christian leadership development through a period of learning, prayer and community living. The Associate Director of Youth Ministry and a team of young people and adults will facilitate the activities and program.

This opportunity can be offered as a day for a local parish or vicariate group.

Skills that will be learned :

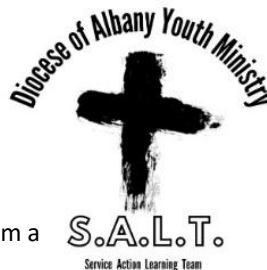
- Being a Christian Leader
- Communication skills
- Group Dynamics
- Decision-making
- Planning and logistics



Service Action Learning Team – S.A.L.T.

Program Elements:

- ◆ A balance of justice education and service involvement from a Catholic perspective.
- ◆ Hands-on service learning by working with people and agencies committed to helping those in need in Capital area.
- ◆ Interactive learning that engages the participants as "investigative learners" and allow them to creatively present what they have discovered to their peers, parish, school and family
- ◆ An experience of working in community with other Catholic youth and adults
- ◆ Prayer experiences which involve the participants in reflection and faith sharing



National Catholic Youth Conference (NCYC) -

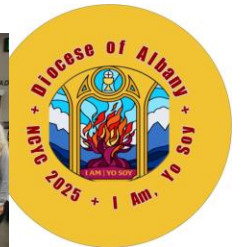
Diocese of Albany has attended these ;

A biennial event for Catholic teens held every '*odd numbered*' year.

Past conferences have been in, 2001- Indianapolis; 2003- Houston; 2005- Atlanta; 2007- Columbus, OH; 2009- Kansas City, MO.; 2011, 2013, 2015, 2017, 2019, 2021, 2023, 2025, **2027**– Indianapolis.

A gathering of ~ 15,000 youth and adults celebrating their Catholic faith. Check the- National Federation of Catholic Youth Ministry website for video and information. www.nfcym.org -NCYC

NCYC 2025 – Diocesan group



Diocesan Youth Ministry Team- DYMT

To assist the Diocese's Associate Director of Youth Ministry in the creation, development, implementation and evaluation of Diocesan events/activities offered to Jr. High & High School youth of the Albany Diocese.
Contact Dave for info.

