

WARRIORS for Christ – CORE TEAM Commitments

"I ask you, instead, to be revolutionaries, to swim against the tide; yes, I am asking you to rebel against this culture that sees everything as temporary and that ultimately believes that you are incapable of responsibility, that you are incapable of true love." - Pope Francis

- A life centered in the Eucharist, absolute priority in weekly attendance of Mass above anything else.
- A life formed in the Gospel as taught by the Church.
 - Attend Mass & Muffins (Thursday – 7am @ St. Joseph) **If unable to attend, then choose another daily Mass that month.*
 - Attend an Adoration Holy Hour at least once a month at St. Joseph or Our Lady of Lourdes. **Pick a time that works for you and set a reminder.*
- A life lived out in daily prayer, decisions, and actions.
- Daily reading and meditation on the Gospel.

- To **enlighten teens** to the true happiness in putting God first in their lives.
- To **encourage teens** to participate in the life, mission, and work of our Catholic faith community – through involvement in the W4C Youth Group.
- To **empower teens** to live as disciples of Jesus Christ in the world today.

Questions you may be wondering about:

- *Do I have to be a perfect Catholic to be on the CORE TEAM?*
 - No one is perfect, but the CORE TEAM members should be striving daily to live as disciples of Jesus Christ and truly desire to grow in holiness through a personal commitment to the team's prayer commitments. Faith is a journey!
- *Do I have to come to all events and activities?*
 - The focus of the CORE TEAM should be the desire to attend as many events and activities as possible; to make Jesus a priority! As a team, you will try and find dates and times that will work best for all teens.
- *In addition to weekly weekend Mass, do I have to attend Mass & Muffins and Adoration?*
 - Yes! In order to be disciple makers, you first need to be disciples! Time with Jesus in the Eucharist helps us grow in holiness and places everything else in right order. We ask that you attend Mass & Muffins (weekly) and Adoration (once a month). This time with the Lord will help you in your personal spiritual commitments.

Spiritual Commitments:

- 1) I will strive to serve God with my whole life as a disciple of Jesus Christ.
- 2) I will commit myself to personal spiritual growth through daily prayer, attending weekly weekend Mass, Mass & Muffins, and Adoration.

Behavioral Commitments:

- 1) I will strive to be the best witness I can be of my commitment to Jesus Christ.
- 2) I will seek to make choices in my personal lifestyle that honor God and my neighbor. This includes: no smoking, drugs, alcohol, profanity, gossiping or any behavior that does not honor God or my neighbor. I will strive to grow in chastity, through awareness that what I do with my body matters – including what I wear (see Religious Education Apparel Policy), what I say, how I treat others, how I dance, etc. I will also use careful discretion when posting on any social network.

Leadership Expectations:

1) I will attend & keep CORE TEAM meetings and gatherings a priority.

- a. I understand that keeping in good communication with the Youth Minister is essential
 - i. Expected gatherings include but are not limited to:
 1. W4C activities, CORE TEAM meetings, Prayer Partner Nights
 2. Ignite Retreat prep requires meetings more frequently (Summer)
 3. Tuesday Teen Nights in the Summer (two or three CORE TEAM members families provide the meal and the activity each week – your family will share one night)
 4. Mass & Muffins (every Thursday)
 5. Adoration (at least once a month at St. Joseph or Our Lady of Lourdes)
 6. CORE TEAM Retreat – Monday June 20, 2018 from 8am-5pm.
 7. Ignite Retreat – This is mandatory that ALL CORE TEAM members are involved in. It is a Gr. 7-9 retreat in September. The CORE TEAM plans (during Summer) & facilitates this retreat.
 8. Teen Worship Event – our annual February event
 9. Attend one of the 2018/19 DOS High School Leadership camps
 - a. One will be paid for through cluster funding, but you may attend both if desired.
 10. HIGHLY Suggested: Steubenville Conference, LEAD, & NCYC.

2) I will arrive prepared and on time to all the CORE TEAM meetings and gatherings with my calendar, my excitement, and my readiness to work and create an environment which fosters spirituality & love.

- a. I will use and frequently check the CORE TEAM calendar for important dates/events.
- b. If I miss more than three CORE TEAM meetings and gatherings, the Youth Minister will need to meet with me to discuss my commitment to the CORE TEAM.

3) I will adhere to and foster the CORE TEAM Personal Dedication and Goals.

4) I will make attending Warriors for Christ Youth Group gatherings a priority.

- a. If employed, I will continually notify my employer of important dates I need to have off.
 - i. Meetings are typically scheduled on one Sunday evening a month.

“The Church needs you, your enthusiasm, your creativity and the joy that is so characteristic of you.” - Pope Francis