



Diocese of Davenport NCYC 2019 Evaluations Adult – Compiled Results



Number of Adult Evaluations: 150		NCYC Groups: 32		Parishes Represented: 44	
Age 19-29: 15 (10%) 50-59: 34 (22.7%) 30-39: 17 (11.3%) 60-69: 13 (8.7%) 40-49: 60 (40%) 70+: 0 (0%)		Gender Male: 45 (30%) Female: 103 (68.7%) NR: 2 (1.3%)		Parent/guardian of youth participant Yes 88 (58.7%) No 61 (40.7%)	
First-time attendee Yes 85 (56.7%) No 65 (43.3%)			Weekend Mass 2-3+ times/month Yes 140 (93.3%) No 6 (4%)		
Role at NCYC					
Chaperone: 101 (67.3%)		Priest: 6 (4%)		Group Leader (employee): 23 (15.3%)	
Deacon: 2 (1.3%)		Group Leader (volunteer): 14 (9.3%)		Chaperone Assistant: 3 (2%)	
Why go to NCYC?					
To assist my parish: 55 (36.7%)		To learn more about my faith: 6 (4%)			
To attend with my child(ren): 55 (36.7%)		To grow in my faith: 35 (23.3%)			
I was expected to attend (church employee): 18 (12%)		To see what NCYC is all about: 11 (7.3%)			
Satisfaction with NCYC [Extremely Dissatisfied (1) <-----> Extremely Satisfied (10)]					
1: 0 (0%)		3: 0 (0%)		5: 1 (0.7%)	
2: 0 (0%)		4: 0 (0.0%)		6: 0 (0%)	
		7: 4 (2.7%)		8: 33 (22%)	
		9: 49 (32.7%)		10: 50 (33.3%)	
				NR: 13 (8.7%)	

Please place an X in the **three (3)** boxes that you feel NCYC helped **teens** most.

Please place an X in the box that best describes how well NCYC did the following for <u>YOU</u> .	Absolutely	For the Most Part	A little	Not Really	
1. NCYC helped me to feel loved and valued.	110 (73.3%)	31 (20.7%)	3 (2%)	0 (0%)	37 (25%)
2. NCYC helped me feel more a part of my parish.	75 (50%)	50 (33.3%)	14 (9.3%)	6 (4%)	6 (4%)
3. NCYC made me feel like a part of a larger, universal Roman Catholic community.	135 (90%)	12 (8%)	2 (1.3%)	0 (0%)	77 (51%)
4. NCYC made me feel comfortable being Catholic.	131 (87.3%)	14 (9.3%)	2 (1.3%)	1 (0.7%)	38 (25%)
5. NCYC gave me an opportunity to learn about the traditions and teachings of the Church.	99 (66%)	35 (23.3%)	13 (8.7%)	2 (1.3%)	10 (7%)
6. NCYC helped me deepen my relationship with Christ.	116 (77.3%)	31 (20.7%)	1 (0.7%)	1 (0.7%)	46 (31%)
7. NCYC encouraged me to pray more.	118 (78.7%)	26 (17.3%)	3 (2%)	1 (0.7%)	27 (18%)
8. NCYC taught me about traditional rituals and prayers of the Church.	75 (50%)	52 (34.7%)	18 (12%)	4 (2.7%)	6 (4%)
9. NCYC provided me with opportunities to experience Reconciliation and Mass	138 (92%)	9 (6%)	1 (0.7%)	1 (0.7%)	17 (11%)
10. NCYC provided prayer experiences that were engaging and empowering.	123 (82%)	26 (17.3%)	0 (0%)	0 (0%)	26 (17%)
11. NCYC made me want to participate more in my own parish's Masses.	81 (54%)	46 (30.7%)	12 (8%)	7 (4.7%)	3 (2%)
12. NCYC helped me to make better moral decisions.	86 (57.3%)	38 (25.3%)	11 (7.3%)	11 (7.3%)	5 (3%)
13. NCYC helped me become more open to the idea of religion and spirituality.	97 (64.7%)	33 (22%)	7 (4.7%)	8 (5.3%)	11 (7%)
14. NCYC helped me to become more aware of service and justice issues.	55 (36.7%)	53 (35.3%)	23 (15.3%)	17 (11.3%)	2 (1%)

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Please place an X in the box that best describes how well NCYC did the following for YOU.	Absolutely	For the Most Part	A little	Not Really	
15. NCYC was what I needed, even if what I needed was different from other people at NCYC.	97 (64.7%)	40 (26.7%)	12 (8%)	0 (0%)	6 (4%)
16. NCYC motivated me to become a leader in my parish.	53 (35.3%)	53 (35.3%)	26 (17.3%)	13 (8.7%)	6 (4%)

What about NCYC has been the most memorable for you? (see *Appendix I* for a complete list of all individual responses)

- **Adoration.** Youth's awe during adoration, [especially] when teens flocked to adore Christ on the altar to kneel in reverence to Eucharistic presence! Beautiful to see the Spirit move in our young faith community, adoring Jesus and gathering to the altar to be closer to him.
- **The Speakers/Presenters.** The radiant joy and peace of the speakers. So many were knowledgeable, insightful and taught with humor and gravitas. The sessions I attended were great!
- **Mass.** A beautiful, moving Mass.
- **Reconciliation.** Reconciliation was a powerful outpouring of grace. Seeing the students line up at reconciliation was amazing.
- **What I saw...** Twenty thousand teens expressing their faith in one place all together; they were proud to be Catholic! Watching the hearts of the youth open to what God is doing in their lives. Witnessing the change in our youth and surprised by who was effected the most. How it impacted our youth in their own faith journey to grow in relationship with Jesus. Seeing students connect with the larger community of the Catholic Church. Seeing teens truly develop more in their relationships with Christ. The youth become more comfortable expressing their faith and growing closer to God.
- **...and how it affected me.** The growth and witness of my students impressed me, along with their desire to become stronger more faithful followers of Christ. I was inspired to see so many Catholic youth engaged, prayerful, and excited about their faith...on fire for Christ. I was touched by how our youth embraced each opportunity and God's love. I was very overjoyed to see the Lord bring these youth close to him and show them that they're in fact a child of our one true King.
- **Music.** The music was powerful. Watching the teens sing their hearts out in worship loving their faith. The songs – I felt them in my soul.

Please respond how much you agree or disagree with the following statements about your family by circling the appropriate response. (1=Strongly Disagree; 5=Strongly Agree)		Strongly Disagree	Strongly Agree
My family...	makes me feel part of a welcoming, loving community.	4.51	(5: 62.7%)
	helps me to get closer to God.	4.35	(5: 54%)
	helps me to learn about my faith.	4.24	(5: 50%)
	empowers me to serve others and help others to grow in their faith.	4.33	(5: 51.3%)

Please respond how much you agree or disagree with the following statements about your parish or cluster by circling the appropriate response. (1=Strongly Disagree; 5=Strongly Agree)		Strongly Disagree	Strongly Agree
My parish/ cluster...	makes me feel part of a welcoming, loving community.	4.16	(5: 40.7%)
	helps me to get closer to God.	4.13	(5: 38%)
	helps me to learn about my faith.	4.15	(5: 41.3%)
	empowers me to serve others and help others to grow in their faith.	4.23	(5: 45.3%)

What would you like Faith Formation Leaders in the Diocese to know about the realities of being an adult in the church today? (How can we improve? What are we doing well?) (see *Appendix II* for a complete list of all individual responses)

- **It is hard** to be true to our faith in the world - and then even harder to pass it on. There is a lot of emphasis on youth, and as a 40-something year old I feel a bit like the forgotten generation. My parents gave me good Catholic roots but I have had challenges growing my faith. Faith formation basically stops after confirmation. There aren't opportunities offered through our particular church for adults to learn/refresh their faith. Even a homily that discusses church teachings or traditions sometimes would be helpful.
- **We need help.** Continuing adult formation is needed..., basic practical formation for adults so they feel prepared to be the first formation for their family. It must not be what we have always done. It needs to be short and practical... go outside the box with programs like Time Management and Making Time for Christ, Adult Scavenger Hunt to learn about the different things in the church, etc. More adult options (retreats, etc.). Monthly session in faith formation, opportunities to attend service projects and/or activities with adults to build community and relationships.
- **Listen.** How we communicate with our youth and adults needs to change. Listen to [their] needs. Engage the heart. We all need to listen more to teens, to engage them more. We need to listen and act on the needs they have.
- **Young adults.** The young adult/millennial world is difficult and challenging to navigate right now, and being a young adult in the church can be lonesome. It would be nice to have more structure/support for YA programs/experiences. Having a diocesan young adult event every couple/few months would be beneficial for us to make connections with others because most parishes do not have many who are active and engaged.

Would you be interested in a 3-4 hour re-gathering of NCYC participants in late February/early March where we could reflect on the challenges and joys of being "blessed, broken, given," be re-inspired to continue our faith journey, and receive the support and encouragement of other young people and adults throughout our diocese?

Yes: 84 (56%) No: 40 (27%) Maybe: 5 (3%)