



Diocese of Davenport NCYC 2019 Evaluations Adult – Appendix I



INDIVIDUAL RESPONSES FOR THE QUESTION: *“What about NCYC has been the most memorable for you?”*

1. HOPE for the future of the Church. INSPIRED by the youth at NCYC.
2. The keynote speakers & general assemblies
3. Adoration. It was extremely powerful to watch all the kids get up at once in silence to go to reconciliation, but even more powerful to watch kids rush the altar to kneel in reverence to Eucharistic presence.
4. Surrounded by like-minded Catholics of all ages. Seeing young people being inspired and praising.
5. Adoration.
6. Twenty thousand teens expressing their faith in one place all together. They were proud to be Catholic!
7. The Mass.
8. I was inspired to see so many Catholic youth engaged, prayerful, and excited about their faith. This was my first experience and it was the most spiritually moving event I have EVER attended in my life. Would love to return in 2021.
9. The silence of adoration in stadium and at reconciliation at CC. The silence in the stadium was especially awe-inspiring - I wish we had been allowed to have more of the silence before the music started. That being said - the music was powerful.
10. Seeing teenagers on fire for Christ. Their energy is contagious!
11. The infectious energy of the youth.
12. The opportunity to offer the Sacrament of Reconciliation.
13. The Bishop's talk during afternoon Holy Hour/Adoration on Saturday. It really hit home and helped me to see how I am called to surrender myself to Christ.
14. Adoration, Reconciliation, and Mass.
15. Watching the hearts of the youth open to what God is doing in their lives.
16. Sister Bethany's talk Saturday morning.
17. Seeing over 20,000 teens expressing their love for Christ.
18. I don't know where to start. So many speakers were knowledgeable, insightful and taught with humor and gravitas - both. The village had great activities that taught about church history and current social issues. The Mass and the music were so moving.
19. The radiant joy and peace of the speakers. The almost tangible presence of the Holy Spirit, especially at Mass and Adoration. Seeing the youth make remarkable bounds in faith in just a couple of days. An Aha! Moment: I realized it was when I found a community that my faith could really flourish.
20. Adoration/confession was powerful.
21. Sister Bethany Madonna's talk - engaging, prayerful and addresses issues that don't get addressed much.
22. Reconciliation was a powerful outpouring of grace.
23. My time with adults!
24. Many memorable things. Adoration at the stadium. Opening night at the stadium. Praying over kids and vice versa.
25. As an adult I found out I have a "half" sister. I cried when I came to the realization that in 1969 my mom chose LIFE! Much more to this story, but not enough room here. Very powerful moment of awakening for me.
26. Witnessing the change in our youth and surprised by who was effected the most. A reboot in faith and relationship with God.
27. A lot of work for such a short event. Great music and worship. Bag check was a joke.
28. Christian music concert and worshipping together as a whole. 20k plus young church and adults.
29. Adoration - I felt very full at the conclusion of the evening.
30. The sessions I attended were great! I thoroughly enjoyed the Eucharistic Adoration and Saturday Mass. Seeing all the priests was pretty incredible!
31. Adoration. Watching youth worship/strengthen their faith.
32. The worship and worship band.
33. How it impacted our youth in their own faith journey to grow in relationship with Jesus.
34. As this was my first experience, A lot!! Worship & praise was powerful!!
35. Concluding Mass.
36. The energy around prayer and Mass. It doesn't have to be stoic and boring.

37. The entire experience.
38. Watching new friendships form with the students in our parish and other parishes all in the name God. Beautiful Mass!
39. All the preparation was amazing. Well organized, even with that many people there were very deep moments.
40. Is getting to know more about my faith, learning new songs that I didn't know. Like new stuff/hearing from the sessions. Getting to meet new people from around the world.
41. I liked the amazing speakers, adoration, Mass and confessions.
42. To see that there is still many young adults that believe in Jesus and the Eucharist.
43. The songs - I felt them in my soul. The talks at the stadium.
44. The comradery amongst our teens as a parish and as the universal church. Certainly feel the theme this year - being Blessed. Broken. And Given.
45. Witnessing the youth of our parish interact with each other and grow closer to Christ.
46. Watching the youth actively participate in their faith and grow deeper in their relationship with God.
47. Overall, the experiences of liturgy and worship and adoration. Seeing hundreds of young people flock towards the Eucharist during adoration was one of the most impactful and memorable experiences in all my six times participating in an NCYC.
48. To give the opportunity for us to see that the church is bigger/universal. The talks/personal witness.
49. Adoration - when teens flocked to adore Christ on the altar! Beautiful to see the Spirit move in our young faith community.
50. It was so neat to see the kids bond at the sessions each morning in the arena to start the day. Bonding as a parish at Mass, Adoration and for them to see all these kids their age comfortable being Catholic.
51. Sister Miriam. Mark Hart. Sr. Bethany.
52. Some of the powerful speakers: Sr. Miriam, Mark Hart, Sr. Bethany
53. The participation of the youths in the prayers, the signing and the breakout sessions was VERY impressive. Most of the speakers were AMAZING!!!
54. Sr. Bethany! Saturday night Mass. Connecting with our teens.
55. Mass and Adoration in the stadium. Sr. Miriam was the best!
56. Connecting with the kids and learning about their experiences.
57. Prayer experiences. Adoration. Mass. Watching kids experience. Speakers are inspiring.
58. Adoration and laying hands on youth/adults during Saturday's morning session.
59. Adoration in the stadium.
60. Youth's awe during adoration.
61. How well the young people and chaperones got along and bonded.
62. That is hard.
63. It was just amazing the amount of kids and how they reacted. Was very impressed with almost all of it.
64. The volume of attendees, priests, bishops, sisters, etc. The speaker who survived the Rwanda genocide.
65. How close I felt with the Lord.
66. Mass is always a highlight but the speakers were phenomenal! Very relatable to the teens with the goal to meet them where they are and help guide them.
67. Eucharistic Adoration on Friday night and in the Sacred Heart Chapel. The general session speakers did a great job in their talks. Chris & Linda Padgett were great too in their breakout session.
68. Speakers, keynote, breakouts, Mass
69. The guest speakers.
70. Good sessions. Closing Mass.
71. The speakers/presenters of breakout sessions are always very memorable. I always take home a "revelation" that sticks with me for a long time. Also getting to know the others in my parish group better is always a great thing.
72. Connection with the youth of our parish. Enjoyed everything.
73. Speaker from Rwanda; powerful message about forgiveness.
74. Adoration. Experiences with my child. Seeing youth praise and worship with excitement.
75. Mass on Saturday night! Sister Bethany Madonna's talk!
76. Adoration. Speakers.

77. The passion of the speakers and the intense engagement of the students. Also a beautiful, moving Mass.
78. General Session. Mike Patin breakout (Listening for a Change). Distributing communion as a deacon.
79. Mass and general session speakers.
80. The adoration - amazing!
81. The two speakers: Immaculee Ilibagiza and Sr. Bethany Madonna.
82. Hearing about their experiences and what had the biggest impact on them.
83. Seeing students connect with the larger community of the Catholic Church. The growth and witness of my students impressed me, along with their desire to become stronger more faithful followers of Christ.
84. The number of participants, their ages, the Bible verse activity at the first session.
85. So many to choose from, but discussion on how to read the Bible was very helpful. That's one thing that was never taught to me.
86. The music and breakout sessions.
87. The energy.
88. Lucas Oil Stadium gathering.
89. Seeing all the youth worship together. Adoration was most powerful and seeing the students line up at reconciliation was amazing.
90. The gathering at the stadium was so powerful. The way we felt as ONE united faith was amazing. I loved seeing "my kids" participating in the worship there and at the convention center.
91. The opportunity to take time to stop, pause, reflect, and spend time with Jesus. Love the mix of music, Scriptures, talks. Keeps you engaged and fun at the same time. Contemporary music is awesome!
92. The opportunities to have Eucharistic Adoration as many youth aren't exposed to this part of their spiritual life at our parishes.
93. Seeing so many youth adoring Jesus and gathering to the altar to be closer to him.
94. Watching 20,000 children praising God...It gives me hope for our future.
95. Organization, youth, faith scheduling, Mass, reconciliation
96. Watching the kids get excited to celebrate and learn together was very exciting. They don't need the adults to encourage them, they were self-motivated.
97. I was touched by how our youth embraced each opportunity and God's love, displayed love for God and others and experienced many special spiritual moments as a parish and together as a whole.
98. The thousands of youth that came together in one faith to celebrate and serve their love of Christ. Very overwhelming and powerful.
99. Watching our young kids worshipping God, enjoying their time together and creating a bond with Christ.
100. Honestly Christ & Linda Padgett who are a great witness of Christian marriage. Also their warmth in encouraging me! Also, watching our group make prayer their own.
101. Just going and listening to all of the speakers.
102. Adoration.
103. Getting an opportunity to deepen relationships with my youth.
104. Wonderful experience with our youth. Lots of chances to watch our youth interact with each other and as Katie said, great hope for our future.
105. The experience of all the youth in prayer.
106. Seeing teens truly develop more in their relationships with Christ.
107. Too much to process it all yet. Much better experience than last time.
108. Mass was really cool.
109. Being able to be a part of the whole experience. Reconciliation and the awesome Mass. Being a chaperone was amazing. That God is good!!
110. Adoration, meals with groups.
111. The large general sessions
112. Large sessions. Teen speakers.
113. Adoration - keeps me coming back as an adult chaperone.
114. Watching the kids engaged especially singing worship songs that speaks to them.

115. The music. The ways my children were encouraged and excited to participate.
116. Adoration.
117. Watching the teens sing their hearts out in worship loving their faith. Being Catholic and loving to each other. Seeing so many Bishops, priest, brothers and nuns, all in one place. So powerful.
118. The youth praying over the adults. I am single but thought, "These are my kids."
119. Adoration and Mass - the unity of the whole group to participate and commune freely.
120. The Mass is always so special. The energy and excitement of the kids is intoxicating.
121. See all the youth united in the same place praying and adore the word of God.
122. Inspired and proud to witness over 20,000 Catholic youth engaged in faith and adoring God.
123. Talking to people at booth in village. The woman who spoke about the genocide in her country. Seeing a copy of Saint John Bible in the parent room.
124. Watching the teens learn and grow personally and in their faith. Seeing all of the teens flock to the altar during adoration.
125. See the kids get involved.
126. It's nice to know that there are so many youths that have faith and believe.
127. Adoration. Watching the youth.
128. The togetherness of so many brothers and sisters of our Catholic faith. The speakers at LOS.
129. As the weekend went on, 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.
130. I think seeing all of the youth become more open and excited about their faith over the weekend was pretty memorable along with experiencing the Adoration.
131. The most memorable part of NCYC was watching the youth become more comfortable expressing their faith and growing closer to God.
132. Great witness talks.
133. Seeing the young church so enthused!
134. I loved For King and Country. Having the option to choose our own sessions.
135. The keynotes, Mass.
136. Adoration - and the kids' desire to be with and close to Jesus as they rushed the stage.
137. Watching the kids embrace their faith and deepen their relationship with God. The Mass & Adoration. The music.
138. The way the Holy Spirit touched the kids. Mass and Adoration. The music. For King and Country.
139. Watching the unsure and skeptical youth allow themselves to open up and see Christ in a new way.
140. Sharing of love and life of Christ with the youth.
141. Watching all our youth grow closer to God.
142. For King and Country. Watching kids experience and grow in faith.