Youth Ministry Seeks to Help Youth...

Our hopes for young people shape our youth ministry. We hope that younger and older adolescents will be guided to become young disciples. The following statements describe what we hope youth ministry will accomplish in the lives of individual youth. They are summarized from the U.S. Bishops’ pastoral plan, *Renewing the Vision – A Framework for Catholic Youth Ministry*, (pages 16-18).

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- Develop a personal relationship with Jesus
- Participate in the Church
- Integrate Catholic values
- Apply Catholic faith to daily life
- Commit to the Catholic faith for life
- Live the moral and theological virtues
- Develop Biblical and doctrinal literacy
- Develop personal spirituality and prayer life
- Participate in the sacraments
- Work for justice and defend human dignity
- Serve those in need and foster social change
- Become healers, reconcilers, and peacemakers
- Develop respect for differences
- Develop critical thinking skills
- Integrate Catholic sexual values
- Develop a positive self-image
- Grow in life skills
- Discern their vocation
- Share gifts