Talking Points: A Conversation on Sports as Ministry in Parish Life and How to Collaborate

1. General Introduction: What is your role in the parish and who do you serve.

2. In representing your ministry field, what is your vision for the ministry in the parish? What do you want to happen for young people in the parish through your ministry area?

3. Please bring your projected schedule of events/programs and/or games/practices to the meeting to share or better yet share with each other before the meeting. Do we see scheduling conflicts that we can resolve or adjust to help each other meet our objectives?

4. How can we support each other?

5. For the Youth Ministry Coordinator and Catechetical Leader: What can we do to help you strengthen the concept that sports is ministry and to deepen the faith dimension in our sports programs? (Refer to the Diocesan Recreation Association document on best practices for deepening spiritual dimension in sports for some initial ideas.)

6. How can we help families and parents? How can we work together to reduce the stress put on families and parents? What do we see as their greatest needs and how can we be an asset to them?