

A MESSAGE FROM THE ASSOCIATE DIRECTOR

Dear Friends,

It is with great joy that I welcome you to register for Youth Day 2013. This annual event welcomes over 14,000 high school students and adults to the Anaheim Convention Center for a day of celebrating our Catholic faith through the awesome community gathered and in the rich traditions of our Church experienced during our time together. Youth Day is an incredible example of the New Evangelization that our Holy Father invites us to embrace in this Year of Faith. This is also echoed in our wonderful theme “Keep Calm – God’s Got This”! This theme is a reminder of the unending love of our God that is showered upon us constantly – encouraging us to rely on God’s strength at all times.

The Youth Day Coordinating Team – a group made up of young people and adults from across the Archdiocese – is busy planning an exciting and Spirit-filled day for every participant. We hope you will take the time to download our wonderful iPhone App to get an advanced look of what our event has to offer this year and to keep updated on any new information. You’ll also notice that the following pages in this guidebook give you tips on how to prepare young people for this great day, as well as instructions for registration. Please remember the structure of Youth Day has changed and it impacts the way you register your group.

Our team looks forward to celebrating with you at Youth Day 2013. Thank you for your willingness to share this great day with the young people at your parish or school. As you prepare, please remember “Keep Calm – God’s Got This!”

Mike Norman
Mike Norman
Associate Director
Office of Religious Education



Youth Day

REMEMBER THE NEW YOUTH DAY FORMAT

We are excited about the new format for Youth Day that began last year. The new structure consists of two separate Tracks (1 & 2) that allow all participants to experience specific events in the fun-filled Arena. Every participant of Youth Day 2013 will get the chance to celebrate liturgy with Archbishop José Gomez, hear our featured speaker Fr. Tony Ricard, and experience a rousing rally in the Anaheim Convention Center. Track 1 participants will be in the Arena from 8 am until 11:45 am and Track 2 participants will be in the Arena from 12:15 pm until 3:45 pm. This is a wonderful way for everyone to participate in this favorite part of our Youth Day fun. **PLEASE REMEMBER** that all participants will line up outside to enter the Arena for both tracks! Follow signs and instructions that day to get your group in place!

Please note that when you register (using the form from this Guidebook or online), you will be asked to name the specific track you would like to attend. Make sure you review the schedules listed on the following pages and pick the outline that best serves your particular group. It is important that participants realize that with the new format no one will be able to stay in the Arena for the entire day. If you choose Track 1 you will be asked to clear out of the Arena after the morning liturgy and if you choose Track 2 you will not be allowed into the Arena until after lunch (but can line up in advance outside the main Arena doors). This new schedule is very exciting because it allows everyone to participate in the Arena activities. Each group will still choose a second workshop (along with a back-up choice) to attend in the Convention Center. Those workshops will still be offered both in the morning and afternoon. Please check out the following pages for details about the workshops.

TRACK 1

8:00 AM – Arena Rally

For those registered for Track 1, the excitement of Youth Day 2013 begins in the Arena with an energetic Rally. **The Jacob and Matthew Band** will be on hand to get the day started with music, followed by young people from the Los Angeles Archdiocese leading us in prayer and other fun activities.



ARENA WORKSHOP

Immediately following the rally, Track 1 participants will remain in the Arena and will be inspired by our featured speaker, **Fr. Tony Ricard**. Fr. Tony will be sharing his thoughts on how we can stay faithful in all that we do and remind us to “Keep Calm – God’s Got This.” Fr. Tony comes to us from New Orleans and will be sharing his humor and powerful insights!



ARENA EUCHARISTIC LITURGY

The last Arena event for Track 1 participants will be a Spirit-filled liturgy with **Archbishop José Gomez** presiding. The music will be led by an Archdiocesan Youth Choir under the direction of Ed Archer from St. Monica Parish in Santa Monica.



11:45 AM – Lunch

Following the Eucharistic celebration, Track 1 participants are invited to enjoy lunch with old and new friends. There will be many places throughout the Convention Center and outside for purchasing food.

1:00 PM – Convention Workshops

Track 1 participants will be able to attend one of the 12 workshops that will inspire and challenge them in new ways. These workshops are all offered in the meeting rooms of the Convention Center. We suggest that you share the list of speakers with your young people and allow them to choose (in groups of 10 with a chaperone) those topics that interest them. Please review the listings on the following pages.

2:30 PM – Closing Sessions

Youth Day 2013 ends for Track 1 participants with energetic Closing Sessions in either the Convention Center Ballroom or Hall B. Musical artists **Noelle Garcia, Jesse Manibusan**, and others will be performing for the events during this time. Young people from across the Archdiocese and beyond will be helping us to close out our day with much excitement.



3:45 PM – Dismissal

After being reminded to “Keep Calm – God’s Got This,” participants will be sent out to share the Good News with others – in our parishes, our schools, our homes, and the entire world.

TO HELP PREPARE FOR THE DAY

YOUTH DAY 2013 READINGS OF THE DAY

Youth Day 2013 takes place on Thursday of the First Week of Lent. We hope you will use the readings of the day as you prepare young people for our great event!

First Reading: Esther C: 12, 14-16, 23-25

Responsorial Psalm: Psalm 138: 1-2ab, 2cde-3, 7c-8

Gospel: Matthew 7: 7-12

THEME REFLECTION

“KEEP CALM – GOD’S GOT THIS”

The readings for Youth Day are a direct invitation for each of us and they are full of wonderful action words to emphasize this point – ASK, SEEK, KNOCK! They seem to call us each to step out of our comfort zone and be the person that God truly longs for us to be. But they also have words of support and comfort, “...how much more will your heavenly father give good things to those who ask him.” We are not left alone. We are surrounded by a loving God that supports us on our faith journey – even as we are asked to look deep into our hearts and find those places where the Good News of Jesus Christ has not yet penetrated our thoughts and actions.

This is what the New Evangelization and the Year of Faith are all about – finding that the love of God sustains us as we look for new ways to share and be Christ for others. We are reminded to “Keep Calm – God’s Got This.” With God’s strength we are fortified to ask the hard questions of ourselves and others, we are challenged to seek new ways to bring the loving message of Jesus Christ to those who have not heard or have forgotten, and we are supported as we knock on doors of injustice and intolerance, reminding people that our Gospel values should always lead us.

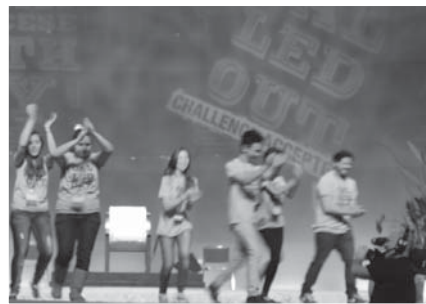
We are also reminded that we do not make this journey alone. God surrounds us with our local communities so that we are continually encouraged as we grow in our faith. We are also blessed by the larger Church community – sometimes a much needed sign of thousands of other faithful people struggling and celebrating in the same way we do! This is the great gift of Youth Day! It is that ‘jolt’ of reassurance that comes with the Spirit of the day. It is something that helps us to “Keep Calm” and to remember that no matter what comes, “God’s Got This!”

ADULT VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

The Youth Day staff invites any adult not chaperoning a group from a parish or school to be a volunteer for our event. Youth Day volunteers are assigned to a variety of positions throughout the day and it is a great way to enjoy our event for free. To volunteer for Youth Day 2013 an adult needs to have been trained in accordance with their Diocesan Youth Protection policies and have had the appropriate diocesan required background check. Please contact your Diocesan Youth Ministry Office to find out more details about your required programs. For more information about volunteering or to submit your name to be part of our team, please contact Erin Avila at emavila@sbcglobal.net or at (559) 259-8232. This is a great way to experience Youth Day without the duties of being a chaperone. Come join the fun! We need you.

YOUTH DAY COLLECTION

In an effort to enhance the work of the Office of Religious Education in developing youth leaders across the Archdiocese and to support the work of other key organizations, there will be a collection during liturgies at Youth Day. We will use some of this money to help young people who need assistance to attend programs at the local, regional and national levels. We also share part of the collection with a different organization each year, and for 2013 we have chosen the Mission Doctors Association’s “One Million Patients Project” (www.onemillionpatients.org). We ask that you share this information with participants coming to Youth Day and emphasize how their contributions can continue the formation, education and quality of life for others. Thank you in advance.



YOUTH DAY REGISTRATION GUIDELINES

All high school students (9th -12th grades ONLY) are invited to register for Youth Day. Students must register with an adult Chaperone who will be attending with the group. Two adult Chaperones must accompany the first group of 1-10 youth and then one additional adult must be added with each additional group of 1-10 youth. Chaperones are required to stay with their group of youth throughout the entire day. Each group chooses Track 1 or Track 2 (Arena access allowed only during assigned times), and then selects the Convention Center workshop of their choice. Convention Center Workshops will be offered twice – once in the morning and once in the afternoon – so everyone gets a chance to participate. We try to accommodate first choices for workshops, but sometimes they fill up and we must move you to your second choice.

NOTE: YOUTH DAY OFTEN FILLS UP CLOSE TO THE JANUARY DATE FOR THE FEE INCREASE. Please understand that there is a limit to the number of people that we can allow into the event. If Youth Day fills to capacity prior to the February cut-off date, we will close the day and return your registration. Please try to register as soon as possible. We apologize for any inconvenience this may cause, but please understand that there are no exceptions.

TRACK 2

8:00 AM – Opening Sessions

For those registered for Track 2, the excitement of Youth Day 2013 begins with the opportunity to experience one of two energetic Opening Sessions offered in the Convention Center. Hall B will welcome **Jesse Manibusan** and band, while the Grand Ballroom on the third floor will host **Noelle Garcia** and band. Young people from across the Archdiocese will also be part of these great events. We are welcome to attend either of these high-energy sessions.



9:30 AM – Convention Workshops

After the Opening Sessions, Track 2 participants will be able to attend one of the 12 workshops that will inspire and challenge them in new ways. These workshops are all offered in the meeting rooms of the Convention Center. We suggest that you share the list of speakers with your young people and allow them to choose (in groups of 10 with a chaperone) those topics that interest them. Please review the listing on the following pages.

11:00 AM – Lunch

Following the workshops, Track 2 participants are invited to enjoy lunch with old and new friends. There are places throughout the Convention Center for purchasing food. The Arena will open for Track 2 participants at 11:45 am. Everyone will need to enter through the main Arena glass doors near the fountain, and may line up early. There will be seats for everyone – so enjoy lunch!

12:15 PM – Arena Rally

For Track 2, the excitement of Youth Day 2013 continues in the Arena with an energetic rally. **The Jacob and Matthew Band** will be on hand to get everyone energized with music, followed by young people from the Archdiocese leading us in prayer and other fun activities.



ARENA WORKSHOP

Immediately following the rally, Track 2 participants will remain in the Arena to be inspired by our featured speaker, **Fr. Tony Ricard**. Fr. Tony will be sharing his thoughts on how we can stay faithful and “Keep Calm – God’s Got This.” Fr. Tony comes from New Orleans and will be sharing his humor and powerful insights!



ARENA EUCHARISTIC LITURGY

Youth Day ends for Track 2 participants with a Spirit-filled liturgy presided by our own Los Angeles **Archbishop José Gomez**. The music will be led by an Archdiocesan Youth Choir and instrumentalists under the direction of Ed Archer from St. Monica’s Parish in Santa Monica.



3:45 PM – Dismissal

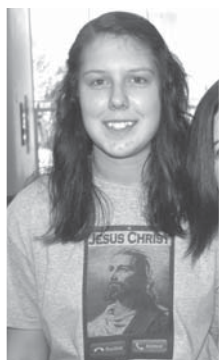
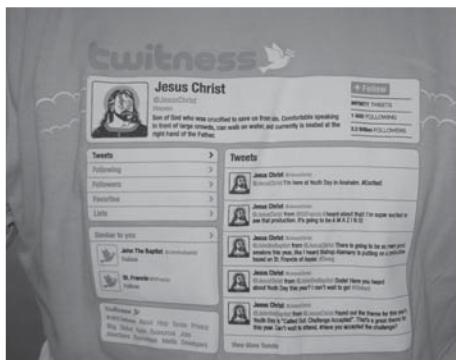
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KEEP CALM AND BE YOURSELF




KEEP CALM AND CARRY ON



ARENA WORKSHOP

Everyone will see our Arena speaker. You can choose your Convention Workshop from the remaining 12 speakers.

FIRM IN FAITH: I SAY YES, MY LORD

God calls each of us to link our lives with Him as we face the struggles and challenges of our days. Through the waters of baptism and the strength of Eucharist, we are given the necessary tools to stand firm in our faith. "Put on the armor provided by God, so that you are able to stand firm against the power of darkness," says Ephesians 6:7. This fun and interactive workshop will help you to say "Yes, My Lord" to the call to be faithful disciples.



Rev. R. Tony Ricard, MTh, MDiv

Fr. Tony Ricard, a priest of the New Orleans Archdiocese, currently serves as Director of Campus Ministry and Development Director for St. Augustine High School in New Orleans. He is also Director of Knight Time Ministries and Chief Editor for Two Knights Publishing Co. Fr. Ricard is a native of New Orleans and a former public school teacher. He has authored many books and has given keynote addresses, retreats, revivals and youth talks across the nation and has preached in 20 countries.

A IT'S ALL GOOD IN GOD'S HOUSE! ACCEPTANCE OF OTHERS AND OURSELVES

What does it mean to be a "Child of God"? How are we supposed to treat one another, especially those who are "different" from us? Is God speaking to us through others? How are we called to love ourselves? These and other questions will be explored during this workshop.



Ansel J. Augustine, MPS

Ansel Augustine is Associate Director and Coordinator of Black Youth and Young Adult Ministry for Catholic Youth Organization's Office of the New Orleans Archdiocese. He is on the faculty at the Institute for Black Catholic Studies at Xavier University of Louisiana, where he also works with Campus Ministry. Augustine has published several articles related to ministry and has keynoted and presented workshops at youth rallies and conferences around the country, including as MC at the National Black Catholic Congress XI.

B FORGIVING AND BEGIN FORGIVEN

Is there a grudge that you are holding on to? Have you been betrayed, hurt or abandoned and still feel angry about the situation? Or have you done something to God, yourself or someone else that you just can't forgive yourself for? Come learn the healing power of forgiveness and sing, pray, laugh with Jackie Francois.



Jackie Francois

Jackie Francois is a singer, songwriter, guitarist, speaker and youth minister from Placentia, Calif. In 2006, she served as Youth Minister for Our Lady of the Assumption Parish in Ventura; a year later she returned to Placentia to begin full-time music ministry at retreats and youth conferences. Francois has performed at many major Catholic and interfaith events including World Youth Day 2000 in Rome. She is currently a host for Spiritandsong's "The Commons" webcast and their Perfect Playlist Podcasts.

C LISTENING TO GOD’S VOICE: DISCERNMENT

Fr. Rob Galea

Wouldn't it be great to hear God speak? Who to date? What to do with my future? How to be an instrument of God in this world? But God *does* speak! He *is* talking! Come join Fr. Rob Galea as we discover how to recognize God's voice.



Fr. Rob Galea

Singer/songwriter Fr. Rob Galea serves in Shepparton, Victoria, Australia. In addition to his series of recordings and four CD releases, he has also written a number of songs for various campaigns and international conferences. Fr. Galea is co-founder of the youth program “Stronger,” and has appeared on several TV and radio shows in Malta, Canada and Australia and at the past two World Youth Days.

D CLICK YOUR HEELS AND SAY, “THERE’S NO PLACE LIKE MASS” (HOW TO GET THE MOST OUT OF MASS)

ValLimar Jansen

Are you tired of hearing: “You get out of Mass whatever you put into Mass”? Really? Well, what can we do, on a weekly basis, to get more out of Mass? Every time we participate at Mass, we prepare to go on a journey. We are formed and transformed. Want to know what to do to experience transformation? Through prayer, Scripture, storytelling, song and movement, ValLimar Jansen will invite us to explore various ways to make the most of Mass and to go forth to love and serve the Lord. We are ready to Enter the Mystery.



ValLimar Jansen

ValLimar Jansen serves the Church as a composer, singer, storyteller, inspirational speaker and evangelizer. She has served as a college/university professor, a leader of worship and prayer, and a workshop presenter at conferences across the United States and abroad. Jansen won UNITY Awards for her solo albums “You Gotta Move” and “Anointing,” and she and her husband, Frank, performed at the Loreto/Angora International Papal Event in Italy. Her latest CD is entitled “Give God The Glory” and her book is expected to be released at the 2013 L.A. Congress.

E SET THE WORLD ON FIRE ... WITHOUT GETTING ARRESTED

There are so many people who look in the mirror every day and think that they have nothing to offer. What they don't realize is that they have a unique gift from God that can change lives and set the world on fire! Come join Paul J. Kim for a workshop filled with live beatboxing music, comedy and a powerful message that will kick-start your life!



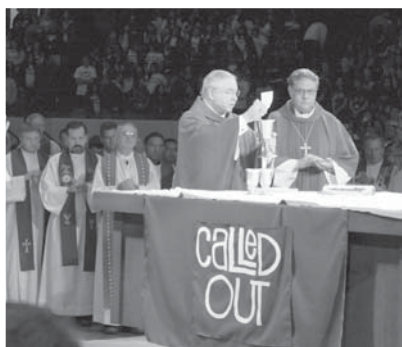
Paul J. Kim

Paul Kim has been a professional speaker, musician and recording artist for the past five years. He has performed at Catholic Underground across the country and England, and has been the keynote speaker at diocesan youth events. The former youth minister has worked in the New York Archdiocese and the Diocese of Orange, Calif., where he now works as a marriage and family therapist intern. As a recording artist, Kim has released two albums: “Run Fly Fall” in 2010, and his second album was released in 2012.



Youth Day


**KEEP CALM
 AND HUG ON**



H TRUSTING GOD AND OTHERS

“Trust, huh, what is it good for? Absolutely everything!” Come laugh and learn as we delve into what it means to trust not only God but everyone else who isn’t the Big Guy.



Judy McDonald

Judy McDonald has been a professional comedienne for the past 18 years. She formerly served as a Youth Minister for the San Diego Diocese and as a Residential Minister at the University of San Diego. For the past seven years McDonald has been in full-time traveling ministry, with shows for military bases in Germany, Italy and Belgium. She is in great demand at parishes and conferences across the United States and internationally, including Ireland, Croatia and Scotland.



K AN ARMLESS EMBRACE OF HOPE

Tony Melendez will share how music, faith and a desire to achieve can help to overcome some of the toughest of struggles. He will amaze you with his God-given gift of toe-picking the guitar, and you’ll be moved by his inspiring story of perseverance and faith. Since 1987, when Melendez was commissioned by Pope John Paul II to be hope to the world, he has performed in 42 countries and all 50 states, making countless TV appearances, including on “The Today Show,” “Good Morning America,” among many others. You’ll laugh, cry and pray as Tony, with his band of experienced musicians – The Toe Jam Band – sings and shares from his heart. Come be embraced by an armless gift of hope!




**KEEP CALM
 AND EAT CAKE**



Tony Melendez

Tony Melendez was born without arms as a result of his mother taking the prescription drug Thalidimide. He learned to do almost everything with his feet and taught himself how to play the guitar. In 1987, Melendez performed for Pope John Paul II during his visit to Los Angeles. Today, Melendez is known around the world for playing the guitar with his feet. He has performed at the last nine World Youth Day conferences, hosting pilgrim groups from the United States for the past five years. He has recorded five albums, and has won numerous awards.



M YOU DON’T NEED TWITTER FOLLOWERS TO BE A LEADER!

It’s easy to mistake popularity for leadership. People count how many followers they have on Twitter or friends they have on Facebook, but let’s take another look at what it means to stand out from the crowd and lead in our own way.



Mike Patin

“Faith horticulturist” Mike Patin has worked in youth ministry since 1984, spending six years as a high school teacher and coach before working for the CYO/ Youth Ministry Office for the Archdiocese of New Orleans. He has also been on the adjunct faculty at the Notre Dame School of Theology Seminary in New Orleans. Since 2003, Patin has been speaking full time to young people and adults. His latest book is “This Was Not in the Brochure: Lessons from Work, Ministry and Life.”

ATTENTION GROUP LEADERS:

Pre-order your Official Youth Day 2013 T-shirts now! Customize your Youth Day shirt with your youth group or parish name on the back for only \$2.50 additional. Custom orders with payment must be received by January 28, 2013 for direct shipping.

Special Pre-order Discount Pricing:
 T-shirts: \$12.50 (\$15 at Youth Day)
 Sweatshirts: \$35 (\$40 at Youth Day)
 Adult sizes: S, M, L, XL, 2XL

On Youth Day, merchandise will be available at the Seraph7 booth in the main Arena Lobby (south side) of the Convention Center Arena. Pre-order to ensure you get yours at www.seraph7.com. Additional information and online ordering can be found at www.Seraph7.com or by emailing store@seraph7.com.

P WARNING: CONTENTS UNDER PRESSURE

What our friends think of us matters. We all seek the affirmation and respect of our peers. In this workshop, participants will reflect on the positive and negative effect our peers can have on our decision-making and happiness. It will offer concrete strategies for dealing with peer pressure from a uniquely Catholic perspective.



Bob Perron

With his comic blend of standup and storytelling, Bob Perron has been involved in ministry to young people and adults since 1984. He is currently Director of Youth and Young Adult Ministry for the Diocese of Wheeling-Charleston in Charleston, West Virginia.

For over a decade Perron has been a workshop presenter at national youth events, including the National Catholic Youth Conference and the National Conference on Catholic Youth Ministry, and has spoken at over 100 parishes and dioceses across the United States and Canada.

S HAVING A SERVANT ATTITUDE

Using the Letters to the Philippians as a backdrop, and the movie, “Brave,” as a frame of reference, this session will include music and skits involving youth attendees and group leaders, acting out the parables consistent with the attitudes of the “servant.” This session will explore the use of the Pax Christi process of Scripture, prayer and action for reflection and change of attitude to be that of a servant to others.



Fr. Chris Ponnet

Born and raised at St. Luke’s in Temple City, Calif., Fr. Chris Ponnet was ordained a priest for the Los Angeles Archdiocese in 1983, during the AIDS pandemic, and has been involved for over 25 years as Director of the Office of Catholic HIV/AIDS Ministry. He also serves

as Pastor of St. Camillus Center for Spiritual Care. Fr. Ponnet has spoken about consistent life ethics and the death penalty at the Pax Christi Peace and Justice Conferences and at meetings around the county and local congregations. He has spoken at HIV/AIDS conferences to youth and adults and at the RECongress as well as the regional L.A. congresses.

T MUSIC: THE VOICE OF MY HEART

Music is such an important part of your life. Discover ways it can help you grow, make decisions, and even pray! Listen to what God is trying to say to you through your music. Watch what will happen the next time you put on your headphones. Be prepared for a great workshop using the music you listen to everyday! Arrive happy!



Anna Scally

Anna Scally is President of Cornerstone Media, where she is a columnist for their Top Music Countdown and host of their audio show, “Burning Issues.” She has received the National Youth Ministry Performer, Artist and Author of the Year awards from the National Federation of Catholic Youth Ministry. Scally has made over 2,300 public presentations at youth rallies, training events, retreats and adult education days, as well as major conferences for religious educators in North America.



X THE HIGH COST OF FREE LOVE

Sex is God’s idea. God’s design. But God did create sex with boundaries, to protect us and our future marriage. God wants sex to be the best it could possibly be! But after the “free love” generation of the ’60s, today’s students are facing an epidemic of sex-related problems – date rape, sexually transmitted infections, teen pregnancy. “Free love” was anything but free! In this workshop, Pam Stenzel combines her personal story and extensive pregnancy counseling experience into a hard-hitting look at the consequences of sex outside of the sacrament of marriage and how chastity can be practiced and lived.



Pam Stenzel

Pam Stenzel has traveled worldwide, speaking about the issues of sexuality, the importance of abstinence, and the physical and emotional consequences of sex outside of marriage. She is Director of Enlightenment Communications and previously was on the “front lines” as Director of Alpha Women’s Center, a counseling center for women undergoing crisis pregnancies. Stenzel has appeared on numerous national TV and radio programs, and her books include “Who’s in Your Social Network” and “Nobody Told Me.”

WHO MAY ATTEND?

Youth Day is open to students from parishes and high schools (public and Catholic) that are in grades 9 through 12. Students below the 9th Grade are not allowed to participate in this event and will be refused admission. We appreciate your adherence to this guideline.

WHAT IS THE COST?

Registration to attend Youth Day is \$25 per person. After January 4, 2013, fees increase to \$30 per person. Everyone in your group **MUST** be registered for Youth Day, **including all priests** who will be accompanying your group.

CHAPERONES AND CONTACT PERSON

For the initial group of one to ten youth there must be two adult chaperones. An additional chaperone must be included with every consecutive group of up to ten youth. Groups are required to stay together throughout the day, with at least one chaperone attending each activity with each group of up to ten youth. **Students cannot be dropped off at the Convention Center without a Chaperone.**

The **Adult Chaperone** should be at least 21 years of age and should supervise his or her group throughout all of Youth Day. Chaperones must participate in the events of the day – youth find it more difficult to participate if adults are not engaged. Please know that the format of Youth Day enables everyone to have a seat in the Arena, but that large groups may be unable to sit together. We ask that Chaperones divide up and stay with their group of no more than 10 youth.

The **Contact Person** is responsible for providing the Adult Chaperones with all the necessary forms and emergency information gathered for each student. All Youth Day name badges are mailed to the Contact Person. The Contact Person may also be included as one of the group Chaperones or registrants.

It is the responsibility of the Contact Person to make sure ALL Chaperones have been trained in accordance with their Diocesan Youth Protection Policies and the appropriate diocesan-required background check has been completed. Please contact your parish or school for more information on these guidelines for your diocese.

REGISTRATION DEADLINES

We recommend that you register early since Youth Day often fills up prior to deadline dates. Once Youth Day fills to capacity, it is **CLOSED** to further registrations. This is due to a limited number of seats. Please note that this sometimes happens **BEFORE THE REGISTRATION FEE INCREASE ON January 4, 2013**. If we receive your registration after Youth Day has closed, it will be returned to you. **SORRY, THERE ARE NO EXCEPTIONS TO THIS GUIDELINE.**

NAME BADGES

Each registered person is given a name badge and that serves as their admission to Youth Day. Registrations will **NOT** be processed if only one person's name is used in all the spaces on the form or if the names are obviously made up. In order to gain and maintain admission into the Convention Center, each person must be wearing the official Youth Day name badge for the entire day. If needed, you may substitute people. **PLEASE** distribute name badges to all participants prior to leaving your parish or school or before exiting the bus. Those who become separated from their group and do not have name badges will not be allowed entry into the Convention Center or Arena. Your help in this matter is greatly appreciated.

Youth Day Packets will be mailed after January 14, 2013, to the Contact Person. Please check your packet **IMMEDIATELY** upon receipt to verify that each Chaperone and each participant received his or her name badge.

NOTE: There is a \$50 fee for reprinting of name badges on Youth Day.

HOW DO WE REGISTER?

Registrations can be made by mailing in the Youth Day Registration Form (next page) along with a check for the proper amount. Please remember that everyone must register for the day (including Chaperones and priests). A maximum of 10 students and one Chaperone can register per form. There must be two Chaperones listed in your first group of registrants. **Forms, information and online registration by credit card are available at www.RECongress.org/YD.**

REGISTRATION INFORMATION

1. The Youth Day Registration Form is provided on the next page. Please feel free to duplicate this form.
2. No more than 10 students with one Chaperone can register per form, with the group attending the same workshop. The first group must include two Chaperones. Please do not register more people on the form than will be attending, since space is limited.
3. Once registration has been sent in, additional registrations **CANNOT** be added to the group. To add registrants, a new form (with another paid Chaperone) must be filled out and sent in. **PLEASE** remember to register priests who accompany your group as well.
4. All youth must remain with their Chaperone throughout Youth Day. No one can be dropped off at the Convention Center without an Adult Chaperone.
5. Remember to list the name and information of the Contact Person on each form used and indicate if he/she will attend. If the Contact Person plans to attend, his/her name **MUST** appear again as a Chaperone or registrant.
6. Indicate your choices of track and workshops and send the form(s) with the total fee of \$25 per person (U.S. dollars only) postmarked by January 4, 2013 to : Los Angeles Religious Education Congress, PO BOX 76955, Los Angeles, CA 90076-0955. Make checks payable to: **Religious Education Congress**. Total fees must accompany registration form. All incomplete registrations will be mailed back for correcting. We cannot accept registration forms by phone or fax.
7. See www.RECongress.org/YD for online registration info.
8. After January 4, 2013 (postmarked), the Youth Day Registration fee will be increased to \$30 per person.
9. Refunds must be requested in writing by January 4, 2013. There are **NO REFUNDS** after that date. There will be a \$10 per registration refund processing fee.
10. **THERE IS NO REGISTRATION ON YOUTH DAY!**
11. Questions? Call (213) 637-7348 or (213) 637-7346.

WORKSHOP REGISTRATION AND ASSIGNMENT

MAKE SURE to mark on the registration whether your group will attend **TRACK 1** or **TRACK 2** (see the previous pages for explanation about tracks). Also, print the letter of your first and second choice workshops plainly on the spaces provided. The featured Arena speaker workshop is attended by all participants and groups can choose a second workshop from the listing on the previous pages. All workshops are offered for both tracks.

Workshop Assignment: Our registration computer will assign your first choice for the workshop. If your first choice is full, then the computer will assign your second choice.

FOOD SERVICES

Track 1 and Track 2 have staggered lunch times. There are food concessions at various places in the Convention Center, Arena Lobby, and outside. Lines can be long, so please be patient. **PLEASE NOTE** that it is unacceptable to cater lunches for your group. Participants are allowed to bring individual lunch bags, but large ice chests and group catering is not permitted. We also suggest that you do not use nearby restaurants, since time is limited.

YOUTH DAY REGISTRATION FORM

THURSDAY, February 21, 2013 – 8:00 am - 3:45 pm

ARCHDIOCESE OF LOS ANGELES – OFFICE OF RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

ONLY PRE-REGISTRATIONS ACCEPTED – NO REGISTRATION ON YOUTH DAY

1. A maximum of 10 students per form can be registered **with each paid Adult Chaperone**. All must attend the same workshops. The first registration form for every group should have two Chaperones listed.
2. Once the Registration Form has been mailed in, additional students cannot be added to it. Additional students require a new form AND another **paid Chaperone**. Please be sure to **register all priests who will accompany your group**.
3. YOUTH DAY FEE: \$25 per person (U.S. dollars only). After January 4, 2013 the fee increases to \$30 per person.
4. NOTE: YOUTH DAY USUALLY FILLS TO CAPACITY AND CLOSSES BEFORE THE DEADLINE DATE. Youth Day Registration deadline is January 24, 2013. All registrations received after this date – **or after Youth Day fills to capacity** – will be returned.
5. Mail checks payable to: **RELIGIOUS EDUCATION CONGRESS**, PO Box 76955, Los Angeles, CA 90076-0955.
6. Total payment must accompany this form.
7. Name badges will be mailed after **January 14, 2013**. Please check your packet when it arrives, verifying that each Adult Chaperone and each student has his or her own name badge. Students **MUST** remain with their Adult Chaperones throughout the day.
8. Refunds must be requested in writing before January 4, 2013. Note: There is a **\$10 per registration** refund processing fee.
9. REGISTRATION QUESTIONS? CALL (213) 637-7348 or (213) 637-7346.

PLEASE PRINT. INCOMPLETE FORMS WILL BE RETURNED.

Diocese _____
 Parish _____
 School/Org. _____
 City _____ State _____

– For Office Use Only –	
Stamp Number	_____
Date Received	_____
Total Registrants	_____
Check Number	_____
Total Amount	_____

CONTACT PERSON (If attending, please also include your name below as Chaperone or Registrant, whichever is applicable.)

Name _____ Day Phone (____) _____
 Address _____ Eve. Phone (____) _____
 City _____ State _____ ZIP Code _____
 E-mail _____

SERVICES • Will anyone in your group require special services? Sign Interpreter Oral Interpreter Deaf-Blind Interpreter
 Assistive Listening Devices (ALDs) • Name of student/adult requiring assistance _____

ADULT CHAPERONE

First Name	Last Name	\$25	\$30
		By Jan. 4	After Jan. 4
<input type="checkbox"/>		\$50	\$60
<input type="checkbox"/>		\$75	\$90
<input type="checkbox"/>		\$100	\$120
<input type="checkbox"/>		\$125	\$150
<input type="checkbox"/>		\$150	\$180
<input type="checkbox"/>		\$175	\$210
<input type="checkbox"/>		\$200	\$240
<input type="checkbox"/>		\$225	\$270
<input type="checkbox"/>		\$250	\$300
<input type="checkbox"/>		\$275	\$330

Fees are an additional \$5 per person if postmarked after January 4, 2013.

Choice for Group:
Track 1 or **Track 2**

Workshop choice:
 1ST _____
 2ND _____

If track or workshop is not indicated, we reserve the right to make the assignments for your group.

Please note: It is unacceptable to cater lunch at Youth Day due to a liability issue for the Convention Center. There are many places through the Center to purchase food. People are invited to bring individual lunches, but catered meals (by restaurants or individuals) will not be allowed. Convention Center staff will ask these groups to leave the premises.

Mail to: RECONGRESS, PO BOX 76955, LOS ANGELES CA 90076-0955
 – YOU MAY DUPLICATE THIS FORM –