

Youth Ministry: Education, Formation, and Discernment Process
Our Lady of Guadalupe Church

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Notes

Unrestricted Readiness:

Adults:

What were your experiences of youth ministry, religious education (CCD Sunday School) and Church as a teenager?

- CYO-liturgical ministries
- Other church involvement
- Diocesan events
- Develop leadership
- Run by youth
- Youth had ownership
- Priest involvement
- Catholic school
- Lots of volunteer with youth
- Lock-ins
- Involved with the nuns
- Sports events

Students:

What have been your experiences of youth ministry, religious education and church as a teenager?

- Catholic baseball
- Lock ins
- Homeless lock in
- Car washes
- Mission trips
- DCYC
- Debates
- Camping trips
- ACTS
- Leadership groups/officers
- Sports events

Adults and Students:

What do you assume (or think) a youth ministry and/or religious education program should look like/ what should it include?

- Teen Mass
- Community service
- Academics

- Building community within
- More involvement/ recruitment
- Social events
- Different level of instructions
- Taught so kids can relate
- Always encourage and include prayer
- Multiple activities during year as part of youth ministry
- “Ladder”= post confirmation to continue education= mentor training
- MS=>Youth
- Liturgical ministry training
- Parish should support, not just families
- Priest visible and supportive
- Youth board
- Social justice movements should be discussion topics
- Discernment ministry, talent, vocation
- Rules for behavior and must be enforced
- Be as involved as other groups
- Young Adult