

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

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Notes

Challenge #1 from Renewing the Vision

- 3 groups of involvement—government, families, church
- It doesn't cost money to communicate
- Religious faith can come from parents
- How to get youth involved?
- Values come from parents

Challenge #2 from Renewing the Vision

- families have a lot of influence on teens
- parent support gives reassurance that what teens do is meaningful

Other comments and thoughts from the discussion

- Students follow their parents' lead. If parents aren't involved, students won't be, either.
- Need to give parents a clear list of roles and ways to help/serve.
- How does a parish inspire parents? Who is "the parish"?
- Need to nourish and nurture the whole family along the way, not just the youth.
- Who do we focus on first—parents or children/youth?
- It takes the community, school, church and family together to consistently give a positive message.