

TEEN LEADERSHIP APPLICATION FOR Fall/Spring Kairos Retreats

Due by JUNE 29, 2018

Section One: Personal Information

First and Last Name _____ Church _____

School _____ Grade/Class _____

Street Address _____

City _____ State _____ ZIP _____

Telephone Number (_____) _____ Email _____

Cell (_____) _____

Circle or write the retreat you attended/led: K26 / K27 / K28 / K29 / Identity / Fretus, other: _____

Circle or write in which you have participated in: St. Cletus Youth Ministry, Crossroads, Quest, other: _____

Section Two: Guidelines and Expectations

Each student leader will be responsible for the following items. **Please initial** that you have read and agree. These are necessary and mandatory in order to make our Youth Ministry successful. If you are unwilling to participate in these necessary steps please do not continue with this application.

- A. Recognize that your lifestyle choices, before, during and after the retreat, including social media use (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, snapchat, etc.), are an example to others and should reflect good moral decisions. We understand mistakes have been made in the past but hope that this community of believers can sustain your ability to make good decisions going forward. If not, you may be removed from the team. ____ (initials)
- B. Meeting with the whole team for teambuilding, discernment and calendar scheduling meeting. Once set, confirm availability with home & work and notify the team immediately if there are adjustments needed. Then you will meet regularly to prepare for your event. ____ (initials)
- C. Meeting, without delay, with an adult mentors to assist you in your preparations for your role.__(initial)
- D. Leading a specific area within the ministry. ____ (initials)
- E. As a Youth Ministry Teen Leader, these meetings & preparations will be made a priority. I understand that if I miss a meeting I will be in jeopardy of losing my leadership role. ____ (initials)
- F. Evaluating the event afterwards and staying connected & being a support to the other teenagers you encounter as we share our faith. ____ (initials)

Please sign in your agreement to participate fully: _____

Section Three: Interview Schedule

In order to ensure we know you and to merge together teens from all parishes and retreats, the Coordinators of Youth Ministry, Barb Campbell, Olivia Hollman, and Katie Nicholson will be meeting with small groups of applicants for a discerning interview. This will allow us to know you better and find the right place for you to serve. We will meet at the **St. Cletus Parish Center**. Please mark any times you are **NOT** available:

For Kairos Retreat Applicants:

Sun. July 15th: 4-4:30pm ____ 4:30-5pm ____ 5-5:30pm ____ 5:30-6pm ____ 6-6:30pm ____ 6:30-7pm ____

Tues. July 17th: 3-3:30pm ____ 3:30-4pm ____ 4- 4:30pm ____ 4:30-5pm ____ 5-5:30pm ____ 5:30-6pm ____
6-6:30pm ____ 6:30-7pm ____

We will be in touch via email to confirm your slot by **Fri., JULY 6 night—please check email and confirm.**

Section Four: Parent/Guardian UNDERSTANDING

Please have a parent read and complete the following:

Your Son/Daughter is applying to be a student leader in our youth ministry. We would like you to acknowledge this application, with some understanding of the commitment on his/her part and the role in which parents of leaders play. **Please read the Guidelines and Expectations on reverse and understand that your support is critical.** Also, read the description of parent involvement below.

Our ministry serves our teens and their families. In order to make this possible we rely on the effort of parents to support our ministry. Here are a variety of roles that parents of our teen leaders provide: Prayer for team and retreatants; shopping for supplies; shopping for food; driving teens to & from the retreat center; making reminder calls to parents regarding details; assisting your son/daughter with reflections and tasks as needed; assisting with Night Supervision; holding reunions in their home; driving for service events; and helping recruit teens to our ministries by sharing the good things you have encountered.

The teen leaders pay a portion of retreat fee to help cover expenses of the retreat center, between \$150-\$200 depending on the retreat. If this cost presents a problem please speak to us; we do not want this to limit your applying.

We will meet with all the parents of the teen leaders to divide roles. We ask that you sign here in awareness of your son/daughter's desire to serve with our ministry, the importance of the commitment being made and the inclusion of you as a behind the scenes assistant!

Parent Names and cell #s: _____

Parent Emails: _____

Parent Signature **agreeing to above details:** _____

Please return this completed application by Friday, June 29th to:

St. Cletus Parish Center, St. John of the Cross Parish Center, or St. Francis Xavier Rectory office

After the applications are reviewed, interviews are conducted we ask that you try to reserve **Friday, July 20th at 1pm**, when we will gather all the future leaders at St. Cletus Parish Center.

Name: _____

Section five: Youth Ministry Leadership Opportunity Choices

PLEASE rank your preferences: 1 (top) or 2 (last), *if unavailable for something leave it blank*;
for sub-categories put check marks for those *you are available to lead*

Please realize that the more options you give us the better chance there is of you becoming a leader; however it may not be possible to accept all applicants as leaders.

___ **F.o.u.r.t.h. Team**, July 2018-go away to school

*plan, prepare and facilitate letter-writing & witness sharing parties, reunions, service & faith formation to help teens bring their Kairos experience into love in action all year long

*meet periodically as a team, host events held 3-4 times throughout your retreat focus

*will be a part of your assigned Kairos retreat team, focusing efforts on 4th day efforts

___ **Kairos Retreat**

*plan, prepare & present a retreat to juniors & seniors by meeting with the team 9-10 times

*meet with a mentor to help you write a reflection

___ **October 25-28, 2018**

___ **March 14-17, 2019**

Section six: applicant reflections

A. In a few short sentences, please explain why you want to be a teen leader in our Church Youth Ministry:

B. What other extra-curricular activities (clubs, sports, works, musicals, theater, scouts, etc) do you plan to participate in next year? When, **specifically**, do they take place?

| Activity | Season | Days of the week | times |
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C. Please rank these aspects of youth ministry leadership as you feel most called to them: 1(most) to 7 (least)

- Sharing about Jesus's love in my life
- Building relationships with other teens
- Building relationships with adult mentors
- Working as a team member to accomplish goals
- Inviting others to be a part of our church youth ministry
- Learning about and sharing prayer with others
- Connecting music to God's love

D. Only if you have been on a Kairos, please answer these questions in 1-2 sentences (on this page only) with what comes to your mind first:

Why did you think God had you on your Kairos retreat?

In what ways have you changed because of Kairos?

Who is Christ to you and how have you responded to Christ?

How do you put your Love into Action?

What is one piece of your story that you would share during your reflection?

How have you been challenged to Live the Fourth?