

TEEN MISSION SERVICE TRIP SUMMER 2022

COMBINED WITH TEENS FROM : St. Francis, St. John and St. Cletus



CATHOLIC HEART WORK CAMP

Montague, Michigan

June 19th – June 25th, 2022



Join us for a life changing week of volunteering, reflecting, transforming lives, celebrating the Catholic faith, building friendships, having fun and bringing hope to the world. Teens will roll up their sleeves to restore, paint and renovate homes and to help social agencies, while working side by side with their fellow teens and people in the area around Montague, Michigan. We will depart on the morning of 6/19/2022 and return mid-day on Saturday, 6/25/2022.

Q&A: What age can attend? All current students in 9th -12th grade during the 2021-22 school year can attend.

Q&A: What is the program? The Catholic Heart Work Camp hosts over 20 mission trips to different locations across the USA and internationally. The teens of St. Francis Xavier have attended this same program in the past years.

Q&A: What work will the teens be doing? Some groups will do renovation and construction projects, painting and demos at homes in the Muskegon area. Experienced Troubleshooters will visit the sites to check on workmanship and provide help when needed. Other groups will be assisting at youth camps and other social agencies.

Q&A: What does the schedule look like for the week? The teens will be assigned to small work groups with kids from other parts of the nation and they'll do service work for four days, from 8am – 3pm. There is free time in the afternoon before dinner and the evening program includes fun games and music and is a time to gather and celebrate our Catholic faith through prayerful time with skits, videos, talks, and other opportunities to deepen one's faith and reflect on the days' activities.

Q&A: What will the teens do on their fifth "free" day? The teens will either go to the beautiful beaches of Lake Michigan or they'll go to, Michigan Adventures, an amusement and water park.

Q&A: What will the teens eat during the week? The menu is based on a well-balanced diet. CHWC offers options for vegetarians, but if a camper requires a special diet, they are required to bring their own food or supplemental food.

Q&A: Where do the teens and adult chaperones stay/sleep? At a public high school where there is air conditioning throughout the sleeping rooms and common areas. There is plenty of outdoor space for games and fun. There are individual shower stalls, reminder, bathing suits are required.

Q&A: How much does it cost? All teens pay \$150.00 (non-refundable) at the time of registration. An additional \$150 is due on January 15th. The final payment of \$200 is due on April 15th. Our goal is to fundraise to help reduce the final payment.

Q&A: Can we fundraise to reduce the costs? Each of the teens of the three parishes will work together to conduct fundraising projects which will allow time for bonding as well as raising money to help cover the costs. Our first fundraiser is selling Kringle coffee cakes which will arrive in time for Thanksgiving. Stay tuned for details.

Q&A: Can I help chaperone? Sure! We need adults from the parishes to attend the Mission Trip. Chaperones will be assigned to service project groups and will work side by side with the teens to accomplish the service projects. If interested, contact Kerri Sedlacek (kerrisedlacek@att.net) at St. Francis, Barb Campbell (bcampbell@stcletusparish.org) at St. Cletus and Katie Pruitt (kpruitt@stjohnofthecross.org) at St. John of the Cross.