

"Be imitators of God and walk in love, as Christ loved us." Ephesians 5: 1-2

SERVE

SUMMER MISSION TRIP 2018



WE ARE CALLED
TO ECHO THE
HEART OF JESUS
IN OUR WORLD

JULY 6 - 15* - HARTFORD, CT

Teens who will be in high school in the fall and young adults up to age 21 are invited to apply. Application and deposit deadline is **February 7** or until all spots are filled. **Space is limited.**

Our Lady of the Presentation Youth Ministry Office
816-251-1107

*Dates subject to change slightly due to travel.



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Service Mission Trip 2018 Application

Catholic Heart Workcamp – Hartford, CT July 6-15*, 2018

Contact Information		
Participant LEGAL Name (for travel purposes)	First	Last
Name you'd like to go by	First	Last
Participant Address	Street	City , State, Zip
Participant Cell Phone #	Permission to text? YES NO	
Participant Birthdate	School & Grade 2018-19	
Parent 1 Name & Cell #	Permission to text? YES NO	
Parent 2 Name & Cell #	Permission to text? YES NO	
Parent 1 Email	Parent 2 Email	
Participant Email		
Social Media	Stay connected with our social media accounts.	Facebook: Our Lady of the Presentation Youth Ministry Please LIKE our page for information & updates PresentationYM is on Twitter & Instagram-OLPYM
Social Media Contract	I have submitted _____	You must have your social media contract on file.
Participant T-Shirt Size	Please Circle One: Small Med Large XL 2X 3X	
Personal Character Reference	Name	Phone Number

Mission Trip Team Interview – Why should you be chosen for this team?

Answer the following questions to help our committee choose the best team possible; selection to go on our mission trip is a privilege. Those selected will have modeled good behavior, have a good work ethic and be trustworthy. You may use the back of this paper OR you may type your answers and staple it to your application. Write your name at the top.

- ◇ **Tell us about who you are and why you would like to serve on the mission trip team.**
- ◇ Why should you be selected for the team? What gifts or talents do you bring to the team and to those we'll serve?
- ◇ **How have you participated within our parish during the past year?** Please list any activities you've participated in or leadership roles you have been a part of. (Examples might include youth community, peer minister, Eucharistic Minister, musician, singer, greeter, any parish committees, Third Sundays, youth group, service projects, NCCY, etc.)
- ◇ **Are you committed to working the fundraiser Fish Fries?** Are you willing to make the team meetings a priority in your schedule? What potential conflicts do you see? Are you willing to work a make-up fundraiser if needed?
- ◇ **Describe any previous service mission trip experience.**
- ◇ The most important reason I should be on this mission trip team is....

Fully completed MT Application and DEPOSIT is due to the Youth Ministry Office by February 7, 2018.

Incomplete applications will not be accepted. A \$50.00 deposit is **required** with your application. Criteria for selection on the team includes but is not limited to year-round parish participation, maturity, leadership, reputation of trustworthy behavior and a desire to serve. Mission Trip Team will be notified of selection and expected to attend a meeting WITH A PARENT on **Tuesday, February 13th, 7:30-8:15pm.** *Dates and times subject to change.

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Mission Trip 2018: Frequently Asked Questions

Why participate in a service mission trip?

Working a mission trip allows you to live out the call of the Gospel, to integrate Catholic social teaching into your life. It's an opportunity to serve while learning more about Catholic social teaching - a direction and vision that mirrors the values of the reign of God. It helps you see the world from a different perspective - of the poor and marginalized. You will serve people in real need; establish a relationship with the people you serve and those you work alongside. You will have a sense of making a difference in a community. Our mission trip will work with Catholic Heart Workcamp in Hartford, CT. Worksites can be home repair; child or elderly ministry; food bank, food pantry or food kitchen. You will be working with teams of youth and adults from across the country. The final worksite information will be available at a future team meeting.

Who can participate and what is expected?

Teens entering 9th grade in the fall of 2018 and older are eligible to participate with priority given to upperclassmen if spaces are limited due to amount of applications. If chosen for the team, here are some expectations:

- Participate in all six **Parish Fish Fry fundraisers** & other fundraising *if necessary*. *Any potential conflicts need approval in advance. Please contact the Youth Ministry Office at 251-1107 to discuss before the fundraisers.*
- Participate in team meetings prior to the trip. This is required and expected. *There will be 2 or 3 meetings.*
- Participate in a minimum of one service project prior to the trip with our MT Team. Details TBA.
- Participate in team MT activities after the trip such as Family Picture Sharing, picture boards, etc.
- Make your mission trip payments on schedule.

Do I have to work every Fish Fry?

Yes. Your help at each Fish Fry helps us have a successful fundraiser that supports **you!** Each MT team member is required to work all six Fish Fries. If you have a potential conflict, please contact Christy, Director of YM, in advance of submitting your application. Absences or partial absences must be pre-approved. A grade dependent school function is an excused absence. Work is not. **You must have someone working in your place if you have an excused absence.** The Fish Fry Fundraiser should be a priority in your schedule. Failure to notify the Director of Youth Ministry **in advance** could mean potential dismissal from the MT team and you will assume **all financial responsibility** including deposits to Catholic Heart Workcamp and travel deposits made towards your registration. Contact the Youth Ministry Office with any questions.

Where will our accommodations be?

Our home base will be at East Catholic High School, 115 New State Road, Manchester, CT 06042

How do we plan to travel?

Travel plans are still being negotiated; most likely a chartered bus. Details will follow at a meeting.

Will there be time for sightseeing?

Yes, we will have *limited* sightseeing while traveling to and from the destination. Details TBA at a MT meeting.

How much will this trip cost?

These costs are **ROUGH ESTIMATES** per person. We have not yet finalized the transportation costs. Each person has the opportunity to earn a substantial amount towards his/her trip by working the Fish Fries. We will continue to pursue the lowest possible costs. We will have final costs available by the first team meeting in February.

Transportation (per person)	\$ 360.00 (estimate)
CHWK Registration	\$ 345.00
Accommodations while traveling	\$ 20.00
Meals & snacks, 1 sight-seeing activity	\$ 35.00
Team T-Shirt	\$ <u>12.00</u>
	\$ 772.00 per person

How much will my out of pocket costs be?

Each person will pay \$300.00 out of pocket minimum, plus spending money while traveling. Fundraising money will be available to those who work the Fish Fries and applied after \$300 participant payment is submitted. Participant must work the Fish Fries. **Ask friends and family to help** in advance. Their hours will count towards your trip if they sign in as working towards your trip. Please contact the Director, Christy, to discuss any financial obstacles. Any financial aid consideration must be planned in advance. **Information is strictly confidential.** 816.251.1107

2018 Mission Trip Team Participant & Family Agreement

Our mission trip experience begins with team building, planning and service before the trip. All participants are required to commit to working at the parish Fish Fries and attending ALL mission trip team meetings prior to the trip and at least one follow-up meeting after the trip. This requires a commitment on your part in arranging your schedule so that you can be at every meeting. The time we spend preparing for this trip *is just as important* as the time we will spend serving others while on the trip. Please understand this is a commitment to your parish!

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Payment Schedule

Payment schedule reflects estimate of trip costs. Out-of-pocket costs for each teen will be \$300.00*. This amount is based work of team members and success of our parish Fish Fries. Amounts will be adjusted as necessary. You are responsible for making your payments on time.

Payment	Date Due	Amount
Payment #1 -Deposit	February 7	\$ 50.00
Payment #2	March 31	\$ 100.00
Payment #3	April 30	\$ 100.00
Payment #4	May 15	50.00
Fish Fry Fundraiser applied	June 1	Fish Fry Funding applied <i>if applicable</i>
Payment #5	June 15	Any remaining balance due
Your Out of Pocket Total		\$300.00
Total Cost of Trip per person (estimate)	(includes meals during work week, transportation and accommodations)	\$772.00

Application Agreement for Teen Participant

I fully understand the possible expenses of this trip. I commit to participating in all aspects including the planning, team meetings, fundraising, service and sharing of our experience after. I understand that in order to be selected for this team, I agree to adhere to the rules set forth and will represent this faith community in a positive and Christian way while participating in all aspects.

Participant Signature _____ Date _____

Application Agreement for Parent/Guardian

I understand the expenses of this trip. I support my child in his/her commitment to all aspects of the mission trip. I understand that my son/daughter is to adhere to all rules & expectations set forth by OLP and if she/he fails to do so will be removed from the team at our family expense including any travel costs incurred and any and all fundraising dollars from OLP will be paid back to the parish by the family immediately upon return.

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