

GENERAL INFORMATION

CYO (grades 8 – 12) and JCYO (grades 6 – 7)

WHAT IS IT? CYO stands for Catholic Youth Organization. It is subdivided into two groups, CYO which is open to all youths in grades 8 – 12 and JCYO. which is open to all youths in grades 6 – 7. CYO is an organization designed by the youth and run by the youth with the assist of an adult advisor. The CYO is recognized as a participating organization of the Parish Council and communicates issues regarding the youth in the parish to the council. It is a teen social group that unites to celebrate their youth and to strengthen their Catholic/Christian faith.

Our year runs from January through December with elections to the Board in November and Installation in January. The Board consists of President, Vice President, and Secretary all in grades 8 – 12. It is the mission of the St. Agnes CYO to develop, instill and broaden the highest standard of Christian morality and leadership in our youths and in December two of our members who exemplify outstanding achievement in these areas will be nominated for recognition by the Archdiocese of New Orleans.

WHAT WE DO: CYO plans activities and events that are fun, safe and spiritually uplifting. Throughout the year we try to plan 3 Community Service Events, 3 Spiritual/Personal Growth Events, 2 Fund Raising Events and 4 Social/Sport Events. We also come together on Sundays for **Recreational Night**. Rec Nights are held on Sunday nights, as announced from 6:00 PM to 8:00 PM at the St. Agnes MAC 3410 Jefferson Highway, Jefferson, LA 70121. Rec Nights are also open nights for non-members to join. At Rec night, we come together to chill, play ball, watch movies, talk, listen, plan events, play pool or just hang out all in the spirit and name of Jesus. Pizza and sodas are provided.

WHAT WE REQUIRE: CYO is open to all youths in the appropriate grade ranges all year round. We require all New Members to complete the New Member Information and Waiver forms and bring them to one of our Rec. Nights. Our Social/Sport Events are open to ACTIVE members only therefor one must join at any Rec Night prior to any Social/Sport Event to be eligible to attend. All members must attend at least 1 Community Service, 1 Spiritual/Personal Growth and 1 Fund Raising Event as well as 5 Rec. Nights per year to maintain Active Member Status.

WHAT DOES IT COST: Belonging to St. Agnes CYO costs your time and dedication. It is our goal to give of ourselves to our Catholic Faith and to our community through Community Service and Spiritual Events. It does not cost anything to join, however in January all members are required to pay annual dues of \$ 10.00. The dues, along with revenue from Fund Raising events, and any other donations that we may receive allow us to plan Community Service Events as well as Social/Sporting Events with the hope that expenses for these events will be covered or at least discounted. *Dues can be paid by check made payable to St. Agnes CYO, and mailed to St. Agnes CYO, Attention: Corinne, 3310 Jefferson Highway, Jefferson, LA 70121.*

Belonging to CYO can be a fun and fulfilling experience. Most anyone who has ever belonged to it at any time will probably tell you, it was a blast. Join now and start your experience.