



Office for Ministry with Youth

Archdiocese of Philadelphia

Philadelphia Catholic Youth Conference (PCYC) Youth Witness

“Our parish teens love the Philadelphia Catholic Youth Conference. They were hooked from the moment they walked in with Archbishop Pérez and clipped a clothes pin on his jacket. The clothespin simply said, “God Loves You”. As soon as they entered, they became part of something bigger. They could see and feel the universal church alive in the Archdiocese of Philadelphia. The Holy Spirit was truly present as they participated in praise and worship music and then knelt on the ground as the Blessed Sacrament was processed throughout the auditorium. The Eucharistic Lord was adored that day by these teens in a special and beautiful way. For many of our teens it was a new experience to be involved in a prayer life outside of their parish. While engaging and accompanying other teens on their journey, they were truly evangelizing Jesus Christ to each other. There is a huge benefit to accompanying and being accompanied. PCYC and mission trips help our youth see Christ in others, even those they just met for the first time. The fellowship they gain at such events leaves our youth with the simple but important message that “God loves you!”



~ Mrs. Lisa Bull

Director of Youth Faith Formation

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