

Parent Support Team

The Catechism of the Catholic Church, paragraph #2223, states that parents are the primary provider of their children's religious education. Youth Ministry is in a partnership with the parents of Saint Bede teens registered in Youth Ministry/Catechetical formation. It takes all of us, working together, sharing our faith with our teens, and providing opportunities for their spiritual growth and development. Although we have a team of parents, young adults, and confirmed teens involved in catechetical and relational ministry with the youth, additional help is always needed. More parental involvement is **needed** in the Sunday night catechetical sessions and other youth related activities.

All parents are asked to be actively involved in some way in the youth program. Below, you will find some volunteer opportunities, some ask for as much of a commitment as the entire term but most are one time commitments.

___ **Core Team:** Attends weekly Sunday night sessions as a catechist or small group facilitator

___ **Hospitality/Bede Café:** Organizes volunteers and coordinates the Bede Café on Sunday evenings (One person per semester)

___ **Affirmation:** Send birthday cards to youth, and locate newspaper articles about St. Bede teens in the news, which can be placed on the teen "Wall of Fame" in the Youth Room

___ **Fund Raising:** Usually coordinated by a parent of a teen going on mission trip or summer conferences

___ **Retreats:** Chaperone retreats and/or provide transportation to a retreat

___ **Community Service:** Involved with chaperoning/coordinating community service events

___ **High School Advisory Committee:** Assists Youth Minister/Coordinator with planning, making phone calls, communication between youth, parents, and clergy, and other assistance as needed

___ **Snack Assistance:** Bake a batch of brownies or cookies for our Sunday sessions

We ask that you prayerfully discern where the Lord is calling you to serve. We are all part of the body of Christ, and the body performs more efficiently when all of its parts are working together! If we all work as a team we can provide our youth with the best program that St. Bede has to offer.