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TEC'S (<http://www.wkytec.org/> to get applications!)

<u>TEC #166</u>	FEB. 17-19, 2012	GASPER RIVER CYCRC
<u>TEC #167</u>	JULY 20-22, 2012	ST. CHARLES, BARDWELL
<u>CHRISTMAS CAMP</u>	DEC. 29-JAN. 1	GASPER RIVER CYCRC
<u>YOUNG ADULT RETREAT</u>	JAN. 11-15, 2012	GASPER RIVER CYCRC
<u>NET TEAM</u>	JAN. 11-24, 2012	Throughout the Diocese
<u>MARCH FOR LIFE</u>	JAN. 23, 2012	WASHINGTON, DC
<u>KY RALLY FOR LIFE RALLY</u>	FEB. 1, 2012	FRANKFORT, KY
<u>MIDDLE SCHOOL LOCK-IN</u>	FEB. 3, 2012	OWENSBORO FAMILY Y
<u>SOUPER BOWL OF CARING</u>	FEB 24, 2012 back-up date (due to TEC being the 17 th)	http://www.souperbowl.org/
	http://www.nfcym.org/resources/youthdev/youngadol/specprograms.htm	
<u>YOUTH 2000</u>	MARCH 9-11, 2012	BRESCIA UNIVERSITY
<u>CLI</u>	JUNE 24-29, 2012	MT. ST. JOSEPH RETREAT CENTER
<u>POWERWEEK '12</u> (middle school)	JUNE 25-29, 2012	LBL
<u>CAMP L.I.F.E. 1</u>	TBD, 2012	GASPER RIVER CYCRC
<u>CAMP L.I.F.E. 2</u>	TBD, 2012	GASPER RIVER CYCRC
<u>QUEST CAMP</u> (7 th & 8 th grades)	TBD, 2012	GASPER RIVER CYCRC
All applications must be sent to Gasper River		www.gasperriverretreatcenter.org
<u>ONE BREAD, ONE CUP 2012</u>		ST. MEINRAD, IN
www.saintmeinrad.edu/programs_youth_confs.aspx		
http://oboc.saintmeinrad.edu/conference_dates.aspx		
Session 1: June 11-15, 2012	Session 2: June 20-24, 2012	Session 3: June 27-July 1, 2012
<u>MID-SOUTH LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE</u>	NOV. 4-7, 2012	LAKE BARKLEY
<u>ODYC</u>	NOV. 16-17, 2012	SLOAN CONVENTION CENTER, BOWLING GREEN
<u>NCCYM</u>	NOV. 27-DEC 3, 2012	ORLANDO, FL
<u>WYD 2013</u>	JULY 8-13, 2013	RIO DE JANEIRO, BRAZIL
<u>NCYC 2013</u>	NOV. 21-23, 2013	INDIANAPOLIS, IN

DO/DID YOU KNOW....

- that the Office of Youth Ministry will come and conduct a *Building a Youth Ministry Workshop* in your parish?
- that 220 youth and adults from the Diocese of Owensboro attended NCYC (National Catholic Youth Conference) Nov. 17-19, 2011, in Indianapolis, IN! ...that NCYC 2013 is going to be in Indy, also?
- that TEC is currently using a Friday to Sunday format?
- what NET stands for and what they do?
- what the Young Disciples Apostolate is and how youth can participate?
- what SLIM stands for or what they are?
- that there is now a Basic Certification in Youth Ministry Process for Adults volunteering/working in Youth Ministry in our diocese?
- that we have our own Catholic Youth Camp and Retreat Center near Bowling Green?
Gasper River Catholic Youth Camp and Retreat Center www.gasperriverretreatcenter.org
- that the next WYD is going to be in Rio de Janeiro, Brazil?
- that we plan to take a group of middle and high school youth to Frankfort in 2012 for the state *Rally for Life*? ...that we are challenging the Dioceses of Covington, Lexington & Louisville to do the same?
- what Opportunities for Life is and how you can help?
- what 40 Days for Life is and how you can help?

Just wanted to let you know of other diocesan activities that will be taking place in the near future. Hopefully you can take advantage of these events and encourage others to do so as well. It is important to keep exercising your faith, to strengthen it, just like you do your body. These activities can serve as a vehicle to deepen friendships with other youth from around the diocese as well as make new friends. The primary goal, of course, is to grow in faith in Jesus Christ in an atmosphere of love and community.

- **TEC (Teens Encounter Christ)**- is a three-day high school/young adult retreat program based on the Paschal Mystery; they are usually held 3-4 times throughout the year and at various locations throughout the diocese. You must be an incoming high school junior through a college-age student to attend. Once you attend, you can assist the program by working a **TEC**. <http://www.wkytec.org/> Adults are welcomed and encouraged to observe a TEC to know what their youth have experienced.
- **NET Team**- a team of young adults who give a year of their life to travel around the country to witness to their faith; they are usually here after Christmas and do retreats in parishes and schools; known for Confirmation Retreats but also do youth and family retreats of various topics (<http://www.netusa.org/>)
- **March for Life**- a trip to Washington, DC to join the national March for Life; potentially a trip to Frankfort to attend our local Right to Life Rally at our state capital. This varies from year to year.
- **Rally for Life**- a Right to Life Rally held at the state Capitol in Frankfort.
- **CLI (Christian Leadership Institute)** - is a weeklong leadership training experience for those who have completed at least their freshman year of high school through just graduated seniors. It has been a very life changing experience for many who have attended in the past, to discover the many gifts that God has given them and encourage them to use them in their parishes, schools and communities.
- **Camp L.I.F.E.** - a weeklong experience for incoming freshmen through just graduated seniors. Held at Gasper River CYCRC (Catholic Youth Camp and Retreat Center)
- **Power Week**- a middle school (incoming 7th and 8th graders) camp experience organized by Lourdes Parish in Owensboro held at Brandon Springs Camp at Land Between the Lakes (LBL); for more information call 270.684.5369 or e-mail frjohn@gideonproductions.com
- **YouthServe**- a collaborative effort between the Offices of Social Concerns & Youth Ministry. It is a young adolescent adventure in Christian service based on Catholic Social Teaching for incoming 7th, 8th and 9th graders. Participants must register as a parish group.
- **YOUTH 2000**- is a Eucharistic Centered retreat for middle, high and college students as well as young adults. It is co-sponsored by the Office for Youth Ministry and the Marian Shrine Committee. It is generally held at Brescia University during Brescia's spring break.
- **MID-SOUTH LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE**- Leadership conference for school personnel, PCL's and youth ministers held annually at Lake Barkley State Park, usually the first Sunday through Wednesday in November.
- **NCYC (NATIONAL CATHOLIC YOUTH CONFERENCE)**- is a biennial conference sponsored by the **NFCYM** (National Federation for Catholic Youth Ministry) for youth and adults from all over the United States to come together and celebrate our faith and our faith tradition. The conference continues to grow in size and is a wonderful experience of the larger church.
- **NCCYM**- is a biennial conference for adults in Youth Ministry held on opposite years as **NCYC** also sponsored by the **NFCYM**.
- **Youth Ministry Overnight (Extended)** - a time to get away for paid youth ministers and youth ministry volunteers. Usually includes some time to pray, play, network, be educated and get a massage (if you choose!)
- **Youth Ministry Basic Certification**- is now available covering various topics including *Understanding Youth Ministry, Working with Families and the Community, Growing in Ministry with Youth, Planning Youth Ministry Programs, Understanding Youth, Working with Groups, Building Community with Youth, Evangelizing Youth, Facilitating Learning with Youth, Empowering Youth for Justice & Service, Celebrating Liturgy with Youth and Praying with Youth.*
- **ODYC (Owensboro Diocese Youth Conference)**- An overnight conference for middle & high school students grades 7-12, held at the Bowling Green Convention Center. It is held every other year opposite **NCYC** to give both middle & high school youth an experience of the larger church and have a point of reference for **NCYC**.

There are \$50 scholarships available for **CLI**. Parishes may help sponsor part of your registration fees if you inquire. You can be creative with financing by getting pledges from several families in your parish; you can earn the money by mowing grass, babysitting, etc. Your groups may need to have fundraisers in order to attend particular events. Don't let money stop you!

If you have ANY questions about any of the above information, please don't hesitate to call. You have a lot to contribute to your church and we want to foster strong faith formation as well as friendships and fun! Questions: Call 270/683-1545

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