**General Information**

Date: Saturday, February 26, 2022-Sunday, February 27, 2022

Time: Saturday, February 26, 2022 (registration opens at 9:15 a.m.)

 Sunday, February 27, 2022 (morning session starts at 9:00 a.m.)

Location Columbia Convention Center

Participants: Students in Grades 9-12

Cost: $100.00 per person before January 15, 2022

Cost: $120.00 per person after January 15, 2022***(shirts are not available)***

**How can your youth and accompanying adults attend this year’s DYC?**

Enclosed in this packet are:

Registration Form & Deadline Hotel Registration Links

Release Forms Emergency Contact Numbers

Insurance Roster Code of Conduct

SAFE HAVEN Pastor Compliance Letter

***Diocesan DYC Registration Form:***

A diocesan group registration form must be legibly completed. (Please print or type.) Only registration forms completely filled out and accompanied by completed release forms and the correct registration fee will be considered a complete registration packet. Diocesan Rally registration forms are the only form of registration accepted by the Youth Office for this event. You may copy as many of the forms as needed. Please retain a copy of all paperwork for your own records.

***Registration Fee:***

The registration fee of $100.00 per person includes lunch, T-shirt, keynote addresses, and much more. There will be a $20.00 per participant late fee for those registering after the deadline of January 15, 2022. Please send only ONE check (made payable to the Diocese of Charleston) per group registration packet. EVERYONE attending the Rally must be pre-registered and submit the appropriate release form and registration fee. We are also offering an option to pay the registration fee online through this link: <https://charlestondiocese.configio.com/pd/169/diocesan-youth-conference-dyc-2022> but you still need to complete the necessary paperwork and turn into the Diocesan Youth Ministry Office.

***Deadline:***

Please ensure that all forms are completed and returned to the Youth Office prior to the registration date of January 15, 2022. As the mail can be unreliable, it is much appreciated if you scan and e-mail in your paperwork to Mary Corder at mcorder@charlestondiocese.org. If you prefer to mail, our mailing address is 901 Orange Grove Road, Charleston, SC 29407. Please note that in order to receive the registration cost of $100.00, your completed registration packet must be received by the Youth Office by the January 15, 2022 deadline. Postmarks will not be accepted. There will be no exceptions to this rule! Registration packets received after the deadline date will not be accepted unless accompanied by the late fee of $20.00 per participant. The last day to register is February 11, 2022.

***T-Shirts:***

Please make sure that parents/guardians have listed shirt sizes on the release forms, as there will be NO exchanges. Also, if sizes 2X, 3X or 4X are requested, please be sure to include an extra $2.00 per shirt ordered. The largest size shirt available is 4X. If shirt sizes are not included in your registration packet, the Youth Office will order size small for your participants.

***Chaperone Ratios:***

Please help us provide a great experience for the youth by ensuring the safety of our young people through adequate supervision. A ratio of 10:1 youth to adults is preferable. All adults should sit with their young people. Chaperones should be informed of their roles and responsibilities for their group of youth.

***Insurance:***

Please note that all youth participants ***must*** be covered by the diocesan policy. Please check to make sure that your participants have been named to the policy for the period August 1, 2021 to July 31, 2022. For those not currently covered, please submit an additional insurance roster, along with the $6.25 premium for those being added to the policy for this event.

***Emergency Contact Numbers:***

Please use the following numbers for emergencies ONLY:

 Diocesan Director, Deacon Jerry White -- (843) 709-9025 cell

***Conference Guidelines***

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We ask that the rules listed below be reviewed and explained to your youth by the chaperoning adults:

1. No alcohol, drugs, tobacco, and/or weapons may be brought or used in accordance with the laws of the State of South Carolina and diocesan policies and guidelines. Anyone disregarding the law will be subject to immediate dismissal.
2. Each person is to respect themselves, as well as the others in attendance.
3. Adult to youth ratio is 10:1. If both male and female will be at the event, there must also be male and female leaders.
4. Adults must sit with their youth.
5. All youth must participate in all activities.
6. During the keynote presentation and liturgy, please ensure that your youth are not wandering around or going to the restroom in large numbers.
7. Nametags are to be worn at all times during the conference.
8. Clean up your area when you are done with lunch!

**Diocesan Youth Conference**

February 26-27, 2022

Columbia Convention Center

Group Registration Form

Registration deadline: January 15, 2022

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CONTACT:\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_PHONE:

NAME OF HOTEL WHERE GROUP IS STAYING:

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**Special Needs/Dietary Restrictions: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**

**Registration Fee of $100.00 per person x \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ = $\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**

**Additional Shirt Fees of $2.00 (if applicable) x \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ = $\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**

**Late Fees of $20 per person (after 1/15/22) x \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ = $\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**

 **Total Enclosed $\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**

Date: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

The Most Reverend Robert E. Guglielmone

Bishop of Charleston

Diocese of Charleston

901 Orange Grove Road

Charleston, SC 29407

RE: Chaperones for Diocesan Youth Conference 2022

Dear Bishop Guglielmone:

Our parish youth will be participating in the Diocesan Youth Conference to be held at the Columbia Convention Center on **February 26-27, 2022.**

All chaperones attending from our parish have satisfied the SAFE HAVEN requirement under the policy of the USCCB Charter for the Protection of Children and Youth.

Sincerely yours in Christ,

Signature of Pastor or Parish Administrator: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Parish Name and City: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Please return to the Diocese of Charleston, Office of Youth and Young Adult Ministry, 901 Orange Grove Road, Charleston, SC 29407 no later than the registration deadline of **January 15, 2022.**