

CORE CONTRACT

Dear Core Member,

Thank you so much for saying "yes" to serving the youth of our parish and being an integral part in leading them into a deeper relationship with Jesus Christ and the Church.

You should not underestimate the importance and gravity of the role you are taking on. As a Core Member, you are not only a catechist and spiritual mentor – you also take on the role of being a representative of the Church to teenagers. What they see in you will, to some degree, influence their view of the Church and Christ.

As a Core Team Member in St. Anthony Youth Ministry I agree to make the following commitments:

COMMITMENT TO THE SPIRITUAL LIFE

- I commit to actively seek Jesus Christ in my daily life through prayer.
- I commit to observing the Sunday celebration of the Eucharist as "the foremost holy day of obligation in the universal Church (CCC 2177)" and attend Mass every Sunday of the year, including Holy Days of Obligations that do not fall on a Sunday
- I commit to actively living my life as a follower of Jesus. In doing this I commit to living the moral life prescribed by the Church and to be in good standing with the Catholic Church.
- I commit to frequenting the Sacraments, particularly the Eucharist and Confession.
- I commit to seeking the mercy of God at all times. When in a state of sin, I commit to seek His mercy through repentance and the Sacrament of Confession.

COMMITMENT TO TEENS

- I commit to praying and interceding for the teens entrusted to me, by name, regularly.
- I commit to teaching only what the Church teaches, and never my own opinions while in my role as a Core Member, especially if my opinion is at odds with the Tradition of the Church.
- I commit to ministering to the teens entrusted to me for a minimum of one school year.
- I commit to the "ministry of presence" by attending all Youth Ministry nights (Life Nights, Edge Nights, Confirmation Nights, Anchor Sessions) that I am a Core Member for.
- I commit to do my best in building intentional, Christ-centered relationships rooted in the Church, with the teens entrusted to me both inside and outside the walls of the Church.
- I commit to building community within the group of teens that I am entrusted with.
- I commit to attend retreat with the teens unless otherwise discussed with my ministry coordinator.



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COMMITMENT TO THE TEAM

- I commit to being prepared for all nights (Anchor, Edge, Confirmation & Life Teen) which I am responsible for.
- I commit to attending all sessions possible and communicating ahead of time through email, text or phone call that I will not be able to attend a session.
- I commit to leaving rooms in the parish and school buildings clean and in the condition they were found in.
- I commit to receiving the required training that is asked of me as a Core Team Member (catechetical, spiritual, technical especially when using equipment owned by the church or school).
- I commit to being CMG Safe Haven trained and background checked before beginning active ministry.

By signing below, I am indicating that I have thoroughly read through the above commitments and agree to them. I understand that any serious breach of these commitments on my part might result in me being removed from Core Team. I will constantly strive to live out the mission of St. Anthony Youth Ministry to lead teens into a deeper relationship with Jesus Christ and the Church and will always seek to rely not on myself, but on the grace that comes from the Lord – knowing that I am imperfect, unfinished, and a work in progress but that the grace and mercies of the Lord "are new every morning (Lamentations 3:23)."

PRINTED NAME	
SIGNATURE	TODAY'S DATE

"MODERN MAN LISTENS MORE WILLINGLY TO WITNESSES THAN TO TEACHERS, AND IF HE DOES LISTEN TO TEACHERS, IT IS BECAUSE THEY ARE WITNESSES."