

Dear Parents,

This year the Cathedral Youth Ministry will be traveling to Rincon, GA to the New Ebenezer Retreat Center. Rincon is a small town about 40 minutes outside of Savannah, GA. We will be staying at the New Ebenezer Retreat Center in their Cabins. The dates of the week-long trip are June 25th – July 1st.

On this trip, teens will get a chance to serve the larger community. We are very excited to go spend time with the community in and around Rincon and into Savannah. The Mission Trip is work during the day and Retreat at night schedule. We will have talks, music, and fun activities for the teens to enjoy while on the Mission Trip. There will also be a Free Day at the end of the week to allow the teens to relax after a long week of serving the community. Every day the teens will have the opportunity to Pray the Rosary, and throughout the week they will have opportunities for Mass, confessions, and Adoration. This will be the major event for all our teens this year. This is our fifth year doing a Mission Trip with our Cathedral Teens. We are very excited about continuing this trip. This year the teens from St. Luke's will also be joining us for this trip.

There are some requirements for the trip; teens who plan to attend must help with the fundraisers for this trip. It will be a somewhat costly endeavor, but all attempts are being made to keep the cost at \$850.00 per teen. Ultimately, how much fundraising will determine the final cost, but this will depend on how successful we are throughout the year. There have been -and will continue to be -fundraising opportunities throughout the Spring. Scholarships are available for this trip, however, teens who have participated in fundraising will get preferential consideration when Scholarships are awarded. Check back here for more information about these events as they happen. Be sure to follow our social media so you are cognizant of any last-minute changes or opportunities that may arise.

The CORE adults from both St. Luke's and Cathedral will be the primary chaperones for our trip. We will have 1 background checked safe environment trained adult for every 6 teens. We are only able to take 16 boys and 16 girls on our trip this year, so spaces are limited. If your teen is interested in attending, it is very important that you get them registered as soon as possible. Contact me for registration information. Registration is now open but will close in April so please do not wait!

If you have any questions about the trip or about Youth Ministry in general here at Cathedral, please reach out to me. My contact information is at the bottom.

Blessings,
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