

ST. AGNES YOUTH GROUP – REGISTRATION PACKET 2019 – 20

(This packet should be completed by the parent who signed, or will be signing, the YG Book.)

Youth Member Name(s): _____
(only one packet needs to be completed per family)

Parent Name: _____

Parent Cell Phone #: _____

Parent Email Address: _____

EMERGENCY CONTACTS:

1) Name: _____ Cell Phone #:(_____)_____-_____

Relationship: _____ (Mom, Dad, Aunt, Uncle, etc.)

2) Name: _____ Cell Phone #:(_____)_____-_____

Relationship: _____ (Mom, Dad, Aunt, Uncle, etc.)

ALLERGY INFO:

It is important to make us aware of any food or tactile allergies your child may have.

Youth Member's name: _____

Food allergies (list): _____

Other allergies (list): _____

PUBLICITY RELEASE

During the year, we may take pictures of YG members during activities or special events. In order for us to include your child/children in these pictures, we need your written permission.

These pictures may be used in the bulletin, on displays during parish functions, in local publications (ex: Suburban News, TAP into Clark, etc.), and on the parish and YG websites. Only the pictures will be publicized - no names or other personal information will be included.

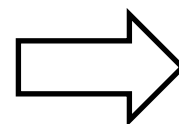
Please indicate your permission or refusal and sign below.

_____ I give permission for my child/children to be included in YG photos.

_____ I do not give permission for my child/children to be included in YG photos.

Signature of Parent whose signature is on file

Date



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PARENT AGREEMENT 2018-19

Please review and initial each of the following items.

- _____ 1. I give permission for my child to participate in St. Agnes Youth Group for the 2019-2020 year.
- _____ 2. I have read the St. Agnes Youth Group Handbook, and agree to abide by the policies.
[Note: The Handbook can be found at our website – www.StAgnesYouthGroup.com.]
- _____ 3. New Member Parents: I understand that it is my responsibility to come into one of the first 2 meetings that my child attends to sign the YG book, to ensure validity of all signed forms and notes. (Note: Parent signatures from past years are kept on file, so there is no need to re-sign each year.)
- _____ 4. I am aware that ALL permission slips and notes must be signed ONLY by the parent(s) who signed the YG book. (For this reason, both parents are welcome to come in & put their signature on file)
- _____ 5. I understand that if my child needs to arrive late to a YG function, or leave a function early, that a note must be sent in to the adult moderators, signed by the parent whose signature is on file, and stating the time of arrival/departure and who will be dropping off/picking up.
- _____ 6. I acknowledge that my child will not be permitted to attend YG activities if both this packet, and a parental signature on file, are not completed within two meetings of their joining YG for the year. (Additionally, all paperwork must be completed prior to the day of a trip or special event.)
- _____ 7. I am aware that all YG families are expected to actively participate in group fundraisers throughout the year, with the most important being discount card sales. The other group fundraiser is our year-round clothing drive (with events in fall and spring).
- _____ 8. I am aware that if I do not hold current certification through the “Protecting God’s Children” program, I will need to attend a training course or recertify this fall, prior to trips, as all parent drivers must hold current certification. See page 3 of this packet for more information.
- _____ 9. I will complete the “Trip RSVP and Parent Driver Form” and return it by the stated deadline completing my youth member’s RSVPs and my driving availability after carefully checking my schedule.
[The form will be distributed at the meeting on 9/15, and will be due by the meeting on 10/6.]

Signature of Parent whose signature is on file

Date

YOUTH AGREEMENT 2019-20

I have read, and agree to abide by, the policies contained in the St. Agnes Youth Group Handbook.

I understand that it is my responsibility to turn in properly completed permission slips for all trips and special events requiring them, and that failure to do so will result in not participating in the activity.

I am aware that communication for the group is primarily conducted via email, as well as through the YG website.

Youth Member(s) Name (Print) Youth Member(s) Signature

Date

PROTECTING GOD'S CHILDREN POLICY

The Archdiocese of Newark requires that all volunteers participate in the Safe Environment Program, which entails a background screening and an educational workshop on child abuse awareness and prevention.

We ask that at least one parent for each YG member hold current certification through this “Protecting God’s Children” program. This allows our trips to happen with each parent only having to drive for one fall trip.

We have coordinated a Protecting God’s Children course session in conjunction with our YG meeting on Sunday September 29th at 6:30pm.

- YG members whose parents are attending these courses can arrive for the meeting when their parents arrive for the start of the course that night, and stay with us in the gym until the course has finished.
- Please register online at virtus.org in advance. See the “PGC Registration Information” pages for more info.

Other parishes in the Archdiocese will also be offering these courses this fall, so you may attend a course at another parish if there is a date/time that works better with your schedule. Visit virtus.org for a complete up-to-date list.

Parents who choose not to comply with this program will put their child’s position to attend trips in jeopardy, as we have to be fair to the kids whose parents have committed their time to complete the program and assist us.

The St Agnes PGC procedure is as follows:

- Register on Virtus Online (www.virtus.org) to sign up for the Protecting God’s Children workshop, and to complete the background check.
- **All** volunteers must complete a packet which includes a volunteer application and the Archdiocesan Code of Ethics. The packet can be downloaded at www.StAgnesYouthGroup.com/PGCPacket. Printed copies are available upon request.
 - The **original** PGC workshop attendance **certificate** needs to accompany the packet.
 - Completed packets should be sent to the parish office:
St Agnes Church
332 Madison Hill Road
Clark, NJ 07066
Attn: Janine Matthews – PGC

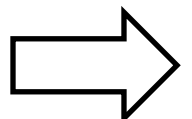
Once the completed paperwork is received and the background screening is completed, you will receive the following for your records:

- A letter of approval resulting from the background screening
- A copy of the certificate of completion for attending the Protecting God’s Children workshop.

A re-screening and refresher course are required every five years.

If you need further assistance, contact Janine Matthews at 732-388-7852 ext 1.

Please complete the related information on the back of this packet.



PROTECTING GOD'S CHILDREN POLICY, CONTINUED

CERTIFICATION STATUS:

Your Name (print): _____

Please place an "X" next to one of the three options below, and fill in the information for that section.

_____ I hold current certification through the *Protecting God's Children* program. (course taken Dec. 2014 to present).

- Location of P.G.C. Course: _____
- Date of P.G.C. Course Attended: _____
- ** If you have not previously completed the volunteer packet (www.StAgnesYouthGroup.com/PGCPacket), you'll need to do so, attach your original course certificate, and return it to the Parish Office, c/o "Janine Matthews – PGC" **

_____ I have not attended a *Protecting God's Children* course previously.

- I have registered online for, and will be attending, the _____ (date) P.G.C. course at _____ (location). [Sunday Sept. 29th is the course at St. Agnes]
- ** Be sure to complete the volunteer packet (www.StAgnesYouthGroup.com/PGCPacket), attach your original course certificate, and return it to the Parish Office, c/o "Janine Matthews – PGC" **

_____ I need to recertify through the *Keeping the Promise Alive* training (PGC course taken prior to December 2014)

- _____ I have registered for the _____ (date) Keeping the Promise Alive Recertification Training at _____ (location).
- _____ I need to register for a KPA recertification course, and will provide the date/location once registered.

** Advance registration is required for all re-certification training, as pre-approval is necessary. **

** After attending the re-certification course, you'll need to turn in your original course certificate, along with an updated volunteer packet, to the Parish Office, c/o "Janine Matthews – PGC" **

Note: We will submit the list of YG parent volunteers to Janine Matthews, St. Agnes' Safe Environment Coordinator in early October. Anyone with paperwork outstanding will be contacted further.

Your Signature: _____

Signature of Parent who signed YG Book (if different than parent who is/will be trained):

*** Please return this packet at the next YG meeting. ***