

ST. BENILDE CYO
NEWSLETTER – July, 2011
PLEASE NOTE CALENDAR IS SUBJECT TO CHANGE!!
WEBSITE: www.st.benilde.org/CYO.htm

**NOTE: PLEASE WEAR APPROPRIATE CLOTHING
WHEN ATTENDING CYO EVENTS.**

- July 8 -9, 2011 All Catholic Youth Relay for Life – St. Christopher Parish
Look for information in back of church!!
- July 17, 2011 General Meeting and Social – Teen Center 7:00 p.m. till 9:00 p.m. Note:
No Youth Mass this month.
- July 30 –Aug.1,
2011 T.E.C. (Teen Encounter Christ) Retreat – This 3 day weekend
experience for young people provides teens with a fresh atmosphere in
which to share with others how they see themselves, their ideas, and their
dreams. The topics and approach of T.E.C. demand that applicants must
have completed their junior year in high school to attend. For more info
check out: www.tecneworleans.com. *This is an Archdiocesan
sponsored retreat.*
- August 3, 2011 Unity Skate Party – Westbank Skate Center – 6:00 to 8:00 p.m.
Archdiocesan sponsored event. Look for more information!!
- August 5, 2011 Swim and Laser Tag Party – 6:00 p.m. to Midnight Look for more
information!!
- August 6, 2011 3rd Annual SANYO Dodgeball Tournament – 11:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.
St. Andrew the Apostle Gym – Algiers Look for more information!!
- August 21, 2011 General Meeting and Social – Teen Center 7:00 p.m. till 9:00 p.m. Note:
No Youth Mass this month.
- August, 2011 World Youth Day 2011 – Madrid, Spain
World Youth Day is the largest youth event in the world and it is held
every 3 years. It is organized by the Catholic Church. It gathers young
people from around the world to build bridges of friendship and hope
between continents, peoples and cultures. It is recommended that you be
at least 18 years old to attend. *You can experience World Youth Day at
home on EWTN.com or CatholicTV.com.*
- September, 2011 CoEd Volleyball
- September 3 -5, 2011 T.E.C. (Teen Encounter Christ) Retreat – See July 30 – August 1 for
information.

- September 18, 2011 6:00 Teen Mass and General Meeting – Please join us for 6:00 Mass and our general meeting at 7:00 – 9:00 in the Teen Center. We need volunteers to be ushers, gift bearers, and readers.
- September 20, 2011 St. Benilde Home & School Meeting Babysitting – Teen Center 6:45 – 8:30 p.m. CYO needs members to help volunteer to watch students as their parents attend the meeting. You can earn service hours. If you can help, please contact Ms. Anne at 838-0405
- September 25, 2011 CYO CAR WASH Fundraiser. Tentative Date 7:30 a.m. – 1:00p.m. All CYO members are expected to work this event. Look for more info!!
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- September 2011 JR. CYO SOCIAL – DATE TO BE ANNOUNCED 7:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m. Teen Center
This event is for all 6th & 7th Graders in the Parish. We need members to help volunteer to facilitate this event. This is an excellent way to earn your service hours. If you can help, please contact Ms. Anne at 838-0405
- October 1 & 2, 2011 Right to Life Calendar Sale - We will be selling “Right to Life 2012” Calendars before and after all Masses this weekend. We need volunteers to sign up to sell the calendars. You can earn service hours. Please contact Ms. Anne at 838-0405.
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- October 2, 2011 Archdiocesan Rosary Congress – St. Benilde Church
Sunday – October 2 6:00 p.m. Mass - Youth Mass
We invite all CYO members to attend this Mass. This Mass is for all the Youth of the Archdiocese.
- Thursday, October 6 7:30 p.m. – St. Benilde School Yard
Our CYO has been asked to set up luminaries in the school yard for the Outdoor Candlelight Eucharistic Procession. We will need volunteers to set up the candles. This is an excellent service opportunity!!!!
- October 16, 2011 6:00 Teen Mass and General Meeting – Please join us for 6:00 Mass and our general meeting at 7:00 – 9:00 in the Teen Center. We need volunteers to be ushers, gift bearers, and readers.
- October 23, 2011 World Youth Day Conference – Loyola University. This one-day conference is a time for celebration, learning, prayer, and challenges in a context of community. Past years about 1,200 teens and their adult leaders attended this event. Don’t miss out on this day of energy, fun, games, prizes, sharing, music, prayer... and Jesus. *This is an Archdiocesan sponsored event.* Look for more information!!
- October 30, 2011 Bus Trip to Baton Rouge – Ice Skating and Cornfield Maize 11:00 a.m. to 10:00 p.m. We will meet for 11:00 a.m. Mass and then head to Baton Rouge for Ice Skating and the Cornfield Maize. Look for additional information.
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- November 4,5,& 6, 2011 St. Benilde Parish Fair – CYO sponsors the “Football Toss” Booth. **All CYO members are expected to work this booth. This is your booth!!!** This is a great way to earn your service hours. **Parents we will need volunteers to help supervise the booth.** Contact Ms. Anne at 838-0405.
- November 13, 2011 6:00 Teen Mass and General Meeting – Please join us for 6:00 Mass and our general meeting at 7:00 – 9:00 in the Teen Center. We need volunteers to be ushers, gift bearers, and readers. NOTE: THIS IS A CHANGE OF DATE.
- November 15, 2011 St. Benilde Home & School Meeting Babysitting – Teen Center 6:45 p.m. - CYO needs members to help volunteer to watch students as their parents attend the meeting. You can earn service hours. If you can help, please contact Ms. Anne at 838-0405
- November 17-20, 2011 2011 National Catholic Youth Conference – “Called to Glory” – Indianapolis
This trip is sponsored by the Catholic Youth and Young Adult Ministry Office of the Archdiocese of New Orleans. This conference is the single largest event organized by the Catholic Church in the United States. It is sponsored by the National Federation for Catholic Youth Ministry. Approximately 20,000 teenagers from across the country come together to hear keynote speakers, workshops, extensive activities, exhibitors, etc. It is held every two years. Lauren Westholz, Brian Morales, Thomas Keller, Matthew Mercatante, Mrs. Anne & Mr. John will be attending. Make plans to join Mrs. Anne & Mr. John in 2013 for the next NCYC!!
- November 19, 2011 Thanksgiving Baskets Distribution Morning – The St. Vincent DePaul Society needs a few volunteers to help move baskets to cars. This is a great way to earn your service hours. Contact Ms. Anne at 838-0405 if you are interested in helping.
- November 22, 2011 Giving Tree Set Up – 7:00 p.m. Teen Center & Church – Volunteers are needed to help set up the Parish’s Giving Tree. This is a great way to earn your service hours.
- December 11, 2011 6:00 Teen Mass and General Meeting – Please join us for 6:00 Mass and Christmas Caroling around the Fire at 7:00 p.m. We need volunteers to be ushers, gift bearers, and readers. NOTE: THIS IS A DATE CHANGE.
- December 17, 2011 Giving Tree Gift Distribution Morning – St. Vincent DePaul Society needs a few volunteers to help move gifts to cars. We begin about 8:00 a.m. and are usually finished by 11:00 a.m. This is a great way to earn your service hours. Contact Ms. Anne at 838-0405.
- January 2012 CO ED Volleyball Sign Up

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- January 6 – 8, 2012 CCRNO Retreat for Teens and Young Adults – Landmark Hotel, Metairie For more info check out www.ccrno.org This retreat is sponsored by CCRNO.
- January 14 – 16, 2012 T.E.C. (Teens Encounter Christ) Retreat – See July 30 – August 1 for information.
- January 15, 2012 6:00 P.M. Youth Mass. We need volunteers to be ushers, gift bearers, and readers. 7:00 P. M. - General Meeting and Social.
- January 17, 2012 St. Benilde Home & School Meeting Babysitting – Teen Center 6:45 p.m. - CYO needs members to help volunteer to watch students as their parents attend the meeting. You can earn service hours. If you can help, please contact Ms. Anne at 838-0405
- January 21, 2012 Louisiana Life March 2012 – Baton Rouge Gathering the People...Building a Culture of Life - Pro Life March from Old State Capitol to State Capitol. Look for more information!!
- January 2012 “March for Life” Trip sponsored by the Catholic Youth and Young Adult Ministry Office of the Archdiocese of New Orleans. The March for Life, sponsored by the National Right to Life, takes place each January in Washington, DC. It serves as a witness to the sanctity of human life and a protest against the U.S. Supreme Court Roe v. Wade decision. The march is preceded by the Vigil for Life at the Basilica of the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception. For more info check out www.cyo-no.org. *This is an Archdiocesan sponsored retreat.*
- February 12, 2012 6:00 P.M. Youth Mass. We need volunteers to be ushers, gift bearers, and readers. 7:00 P. M. - General Meeting and Social. NOTE: THIS IS A DATE CHANGE
- March 2012 JR. CYO SOCIAL – DATE TO BE ANNOUNCED 7:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m. Teen Center
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- March 10, 2012 Abbey Fest 2012 – PRAISED BE JESUS CHRIST! – St. Joseph Seminary, St. Benedict, LA. A day long outdoor event of praise and worship. Check out their website at www.abbeyyouthfest.org. Look for more info!

- March 18, 2012 6:00 P.M. Youth Mass. We need volunteers to be ushers, gift bearers, and readers. 7:00 P. M. - General Meeting and Social.
- March/April Youth and Young Adult Revival – 3:00 – 5:00 *This is an Archdiocesan sponsored event.* Look for more information!!
- April 2012 Camp Joshua (Right to Life) – Baton Rouge, LA
www.prolifelouisiana.org/youth/camp-Joshua.html Look for more information!!
- April 6, 2012 Good Friday Activity - Walk the Nine Churches Look for more information!!
- April 8, 2012 EASTER SUNDAY
- April 15, 2012 6:00 P.M. Youth Mass. We need volunteers to be ushers, gift bearers, and readers. 7:00 P. M. - General Meeting and Social.
- April 17, 2012 St. Benilde Home & School Meeting Babysitting – Teen Center 6:30 p.m. - CYO needs members to help volunteer to watch students as their parents attend the meeting. You can earn service hours. If you can help, please contact Ms. Anne at 838-0405
- April 22, 2012 Archdiocesan Leadership Celebration – 3:00 p.m. St. Louis Cathedral This is celebration of the youth of the Archdiocese. Outstanding Youth Medals and St. Timothy Awards are given to the youth. Look for more information
- May 20, 2012 St. Benilde Hospitality Sunday – Tentative Date - 9:00 & 11:00 Masses The CYO will be serving coffee, milk & donuts after the Masses. You can earn service hours.
- May 20, 2012 6:00 P.M. Youth Mass. We need volunteers to be ushers, gift bearers, and readers. 7:00 P. M. - General Meeting and Social.
- June 2012 Co-Ed Cabbageball Season Begins
- June 2012 Catholic Leadership Institute (CLI) Bishop Tracey Center in Baton Rouge This is a five day experience of leadership skill training, servant leadership reflection, community building, prayer, and good fun designed to help both teenagers already in leadership positions and those with leadership possibilities develop their God-given talent. Think about attending this conference!!
- June 17, 2012 7:00 P. M. - General Meeting and Social. No Youth Mass this month. Happy Father's Day, Mr. John and all our Dads!!!
- June 23 - 24, 2012 Luminaries Sale for Relay for Life - CYO will be selling luminaries after all Masses this weekend.
- June 23 – 25, 2012 T.E.C. (Teens Encounter Christ) Retreat – See July 30 – August 1, 2011

July 2012

All Catholic Youth Relay for Life

July 28 – 30, 2012

T.E.C. (Teens Encounter Christ) Retreat – See July 30 – August 1, 2011

Note: The Teen Center is available for rentals for teen parties, bridal showers, wedding showers, and family gatherings. The cost is \$100.00. No alcohol is allowed. The money from the rentals helps support your CYO.

If you have any questions, please call Ms. Anne or Mr. John at 838-0405.

Check out our website at: www.stbenilde.org/CYO.htm

Check out the Archdiocese of New Orleans Catholic Youth and Young Adult Ministry office's website at: www.cyo-no.org

**CONFIRMATION INFORMATION – CONTACT MRS. CECELIA WILSON @
833-9894 OR 889-1180**

Prayer for Youth

Lord God, protect and guide young people to seek and do your will today.
Let them feel your faithful presence wherever they go and in all their undertakings.

When they are confused, we pray they will wait for Your clarity.

When they are afraid, we pray they will seek Your soothing calm.

When they are alone, we pray they will feel Your loving presence.

When they are sick, we pray You will Lay Your healing hand upon them.

When they are tired and overwrought, please lead them to Your still waters of calm and restore their spirits.

When they face disappointments and dashed hopes and feel abandoned by friends, let them find refuge in Your never-changing faithfulness and love.

Oh God, who knows everything. Take their lives into Your hands, do what we long to do, but cannot.
Amen.