

**ST FRANCIS OF ASSISI ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH****Description:**

Middle School Retreat Volunteers have the charisms of evangelism, faith, pastoring, and teaching. They plan and execute the spring middle school retreat (dates provided by Director of Youth Ministry). These volunteers act as spiritual leaders within the community, sharing their faith, and breaking barriers to enable our youth to share theirs.

**Responsibilities:**

- Get fingerprinted, register as a volunteer at [www.virtusonline.org](http://www.virtusonline.org), attend one of the diocesan Protecting God's Children classes, and keep up to date on monthly Protecting God's Children bulletins issued by Virtus.
- Attend 2 retreat planning meetings and become aware of ice breaker rules, small group themes & questions, and outline of each day's experience.
- If you have agreed to give a witness or catechetical presentation, then prepare and present your ideas to the retreat team prior to the retreat.
- Arrive 30mins prior to youth arrival to assist set-up and check in.
- Lead small groups
- Participate in Ice Breakers and other youth events and encourage participation.
- Facilitate a witness or catechetical presentation (if applicable).
- Help with check out and clean up after the retreat.
- Call 911 in case of an emergency.

**Abilities Needed:**

- Charisms of evangelism, faith, pastoring, or teaching.
- Love and respect for young people in our parish community.
- Commitment to being an example of the faith in your life.
- Patience and understanding with youth who are at all levels of spiritual development.
- Ability to work with others.
- Communication skills to give direction to youth and lead small groups.
- Sense of fun and adventure.
- Ability to adapt to changes in the retreat schedule.

**Length of Commitment:**

2 retreat meetings

The retreat evening from 3p-9p.

**Supervision & Support:**

Direct supervision will be provided by David Hall, Director of Youth Ministries.

**Benefits of this Position:**

You get to participate in fellowship building during the retreat. There may be opportunities for adoration, reconciliation, and Mass. You will be a witness and advocate as the youth's spiritual lives are deepened. You will experience a deepening of your own spiritual life.

If you are interested in this position please provide your name and email address and return this to the Youth Office.

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