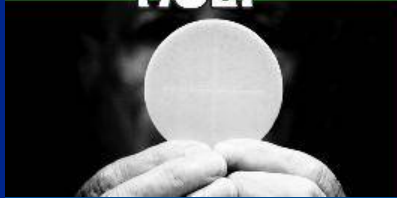


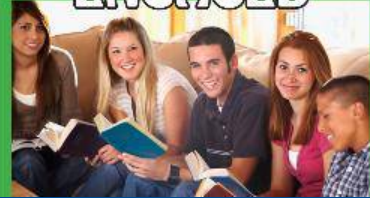


# Youth Ministry

**HOLY**



**ENGAGED**



**ALIVE**



"Joy is a sign that the Gospel has been proclaimed and is bearing fruit."  
- Pope Francis, Evangelii Gaudium, 21

February 2014

## Calendar

**February 14; 9:30-11:30am**

Contract Inservice at the Diocese

**March 16; 1-3:30pm**

Open house/pilgrimage of the Sisters of St. Francis of the Holy Cross' Canticle of the Creatures Mosaics at 3110 Nicolet Dr, Green Bay

**March 17; 6-8pm**

Theology of the Body Adult Training; St. Francis Xavier Middle School, Appleton

**March 24; 6-8pm**

Theology of the Body Adult Training; St. Mary, Crivitz

**March 25; 6-8pm**

Theology of the Body Adult Training; St. Agnes, Green Bay

**March 29**

Wisconsin Catholic Youth Rally

High School Diocesan Buses to Milwaukee for the Day!

**March 31; 6-8pm**

Theology of the Body Adult Training - St. John Nepomucene, Little Chute

**April 1; 6-8pm**

Theology of the Body Adult Training; Sacred Heart,

## Youth Ministry



The Holy Spirit has surely been moving! How energizing it is to witness young people, youth ministers, and religious education staff dedicating so much of themselves to Christ and His Church. A special shout out to the people I have been graced to see these past 2 months:

- + St. Ann, Holy Rosary, and St. Peter and Paul (St. Anna, New Holstein, Kiel)
- + St. Mary's, Holy Name of Mary, St. Louis, and St. Peter and St. Hubert (Algoma, Maplewood, Dyckesville and Lincoln & Rosiere)
- + St. Bernard, Green Bay - March for Life Small Group
- + All Saints, Denmark
- + St. Paul, Combined Locks
- + St. Edward and Isidore, Flintville
- + March for Life Large Group (over 10 parishes and Catholic High Schools pilgrimaged)
- + Steubenville Atlanta High School Core Team (7 parishes)
- + St. Francis-St. Marys, Brussels

What a blessing you are to our diocese! If you are ever in need of anything, feel free to contact at any time. Please look over the following encounters and pilgrimages. Want to jump start the youth in your parish? Start with an encounter like this, and return to begin small faith groups to carry on the fire!

All for God's Greater Glory,  
Maria

[www.gbdioc.org/youth-ministry](http://www.gbdioc.org/youth-ministry)

Shawano  
**April 2; 6-8pm**  
 Theology of the Body Adult  
 Training: St. Jude, Oshkosh  
**May 27-29th**  
 (T,W,Th 9-11am, T&W 1-3pm)  
 Youth Ministry Methods Course  
 Nuts and Bolts of YM  
 "Rise Up, Young Church"  
 Foundational Catechesis  
 Course  
**July 9-16**  
 Steubenville Atlanta  
**July 25-27**  
 Steubenville St. Paul, MN  
**October 4**  
 St. John Bosco Youth Day  
**October 18**  
 Diocesan High School  
 Conference "Made for More"  
**November 1**  
 March for Life Registrations  
 due to the Diocese  
**Jan 20-25, 2015**  
 March for Life, Washington DC

### Contract In-Service

Join the diocese for a **Contract In-Service** in the Department of Education Conference Room on **Feb 14th from 9:30-11:30am.** The focus of the in-service will be to go through the various 2014-15 employment contract documents that are to be used in our schools, parish religious education and youth ministry programs. It is anticipated that the first hour will focus on the DRE, school administrator, and

### Handy Resources

- + [Prayer Warriors: Essential to your Success with Young People \(Lifeteen Article\)](#)
  - + ["Remember Who You Are" scene from the Lion King \(great for asking this essential question, importance of silence, looking to God above\)](#)
  - + ["We Adore" video on the Eucharist \(produced by Outside da Box\)](#)
  - + [Everyone Needs a Coach \(Catholic Youth Ministry Hub\)](#)
  - + [Try Lectio Divina with your teens! \(Lifeteen\)](#)
- "If the practice of lectio divina is effectively promoted, I am convinced that it will bring to the church a new spiritual springtime." - Pope Benedict XVI
- + [Virtue Makes you Beautiful \(Men singing to women on virtue and modesty\)](#)

### Youth Minister Training/Course

Learn how to be an effective Youth Minister, to balance your time, to effectively reach teens, to ignite teens on fire for Christ, and to take teens deeper. This is open to youth ministers, religious education coordinators/directors, and any parish adult. If you don't have a youth ministry program at your parish yet want to start something for young people, come to this training! We would love to hear your thoughts on what collaboration could be done in our diocese on behalf of youth and what ways we can improve as a diocese. Come to gain useful resources, effective youth ministry models from other parishes, and more!

**Rise Up, Young Church**  
 Youth Ministry Methods  
 Foundational Certification  
 Course

Open to all youth ministers, parish leaders, clergy, religious education coordinators/directors, or adults in the parish

**May 27th-28th from 9-11am, 1-3pm**  
**May 29th from 9-11am**

How can we challenge youth once they are in the door?  
 Our parish doesn't have someone paid in youth ministry - how can we pull it off?  
 I've been doing this for a while--I need a renewal.  
 How do we pull off an effective retreat, pilgrimage, or mission?  
 How do I balance my time in youth ministry?  
 What is actually effective - are our teens growing closer to Christ or just developing their frisbee skills?  
 How can we keep the confirmed youth engaged?  
 How do we disciple teens and become more relational?  
 How can we see more youth at Mass?  
 Our parish is just starting - Where do we begin in youth ministry?

Join us for the Youth Ministry Methods Course held from May 27-May 29th at the Diocesan Offices.

**Registration is to come!**

youth ministry director contracts. The last hour will be for school administrators and will focus on teacher contracts.

### Mission Trip

Looking to collaborate on a mission trip? Contact Deacon Jim Trzinski at St. Paul Parish, Plainfield [spdeaconjim@gmail.com](mailto:spdeaconjim@gmail.com). Their parish is trying a new mission trip to the Appalachian Mountains and has room for another parish to join!

### Milwaukee Bucks Tickets



*\$600 worth of Milwaukee Bucks Tickets for Free! Want a fun night with your teens? Tickets have to be used by the end of this season (end of April). Contact Maria at [mdemeuse@gbdioc.org](mailto:mdemeuse@gbdioc.org) if you would like them! First reply, first to receive!*

## Theology of the Body Adult Training Sessions

**How do I explain this topic? What is age appropriate in regards to topics regarding sexuality? Where can I obtain resources? Open to all adults, parents, youth ministers, RE administrators, Catholic school teachers and administrators. Fliers and bulletin announcements are on our website: [Sign up for free](#)**



### All Trainings run from 6-8pm

- St. Francis Xavier Middle School, Appleton, Mon, March 17
- St. Mary Parish, Crivitz, Mon, March 24
- St. Agnes Parish, Green Bay, Tue, March 25
- St. John Nepomucene, Little Chute, Mon, March 31
- Sacred Heart, Shawano, Tue, April 1
- St. Jude, Oshkosh, Wed, April 2

[online HERE.](#)

## Wisconsin Catholic Youth Rally - March 29

**Are you looking to bring your group of high schoolers to an energetic day of speakers, prayer, and sacraments? Email Maria if you would like to ride the Diocesan bus down to Mount Mary College for the day! Emails of interest due by February 15th ([mdemeuse@gbdioc.org](mailto:mdemeuse@gbdioc.org)).**

## Steve Angrisano



Holy Spirit in Kimberly/Darboy is hosting Steve Angrisano for middle and high school students on March 26th. [CLICK HERE for the FLIER](#)

### Choose JOY!

*"Consequently, an evangelizer must never look like someone who has just come back from a funeral! Let us recover and deepen our enthusiasm, that "delightful and comforting joy of evangelizing, even when it is in tears that we must sow... And may the world of our time, which is searching, sometimes with anguish, sometimes with hope, be enabled to receive the good news not from*

## Wisconsin Catholic Youth Rally

March 29, 2014 from 7am-11pm - High School

March 30, 2014 from 10am-8pm - Middle School

Mount Mary College, Milwaukee

Diocesan Buses will be accepting parish registrations!

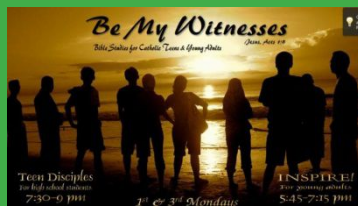


## Steubenville Summer Pilgrimages

Over 200 teens from the GB Diocese are registered for our Diocesan Youth Pilgrimages to the Steubenville Youth Conferences in St. Paul, MN and Atlanta, GA. We have over 20 parishes collaborating to make these not a one time event, but an encounter that will only serve as a renewal or catalyst for one's faith life. Right now, we are working to form the high school core team for Steubenville Atlanta which meets to serve during the pilgrimage, receives formation before the pilgrimage, and serves as group leaders, mentors, and friends to the other teens after the pilgrimage is complete. Looking for something that will ignite your youth for the Gospel, for Christ, and for the Church? There are a few more spots open but are rather limited, so feel free to contact Maria at [mdemeuse@gbdioc.org](mailto:mdemeuse@gbdioc.org) for more information! Feel free to visit our website at [www.gbdioc.org/YMevents](http://www.gbdioc.org/YMevents). Thanks to ALL of you who are planning summer mission trips, service trips, retreats, and encounters to enliven the faith of our youth!

*evangelizers who are dejected, discouraged, impatient or anxious, but from ministers of the Gospel whose lives glow with fervour, who have first received the joy of Christ."*  
- Pope Francis, Evangelii Gaudium "Joy of the Gospel"

## Teen Bible Study



Resurrection, Green Bay  
Mount Tabor, Menasha  
St. Jude, Oshkosh  
High School Bible Study  
runs from 7:30-9pm  
1st and 3rd Mondays  
Led by SPIRITUS

## March for Life Experiences

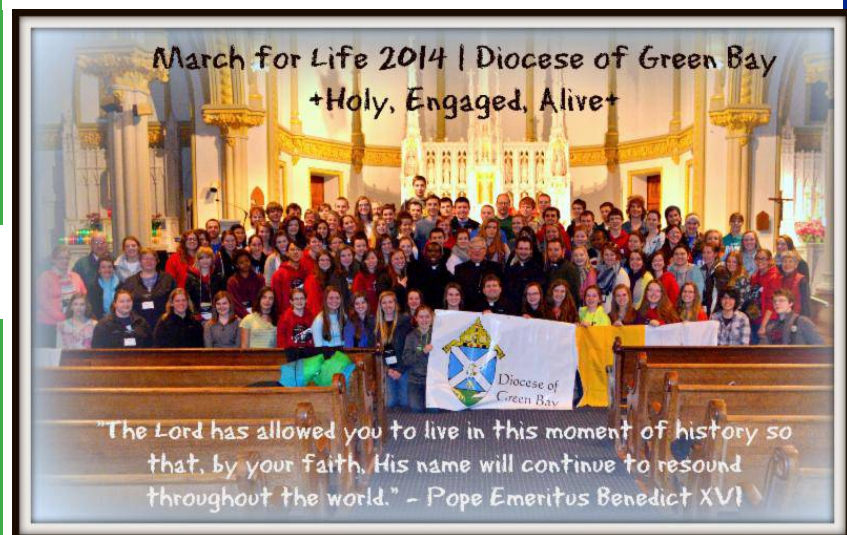
*"It's truly amazing to see how many people are working to end this cruelty. It really puts things in perspective. We march to end abortion, we speak to be the voices of those who can't."*  
- Jenna

*"Seeing hundreds of thousands of young people marching with one voice, is an inspiration to keep up the fight for life."*  
- Luke



"Behold, God is my salvation, I will trust and not be afraid; For the Lord God is my strength and song, And He has become my salvation." Isaiah 12:2

## March for Life 2014 Thank You



**Thanks to all who supported us through your prayers!  
Interested in pilgrimaging with us next year?**

[Click HERE for information!](#)

### March for Life Highlights...

- Praying outside an abortion clinic
- Experiencing the Youth Rally and praying at daily Mass
- Outreach to those who are homeless in D.C.
- Learning about life issues, care for the whole person, and our patron, St. Joseph

- Touring Washington D.C.
- Praying for all those affected by the attacks against life
- Visiting the John Paul II shrine, the National Basilica, the Holocaust Museum, and National Monuments
- Night of Reflection with Bishop Ricken (picture above)
- Night sessions with women and men
- Forming new friendships
- Standing up for those who cannot speak up for themselves

### March for Life 2015: Plan to Pilgrimage!



**March for Life 2015**  
 Diocese of Green Bay High School Pilgrimage

Night of Tuesday, Jan 20 – Sunday, Jan 25  
 \$450 includes bus transportation, lodging, new sweatshirt, 4 meals, and one awesome experience!  
 "The Lord counts on you to spread the Gospel of life." – Pope Francis



**Green Bay High School Youth Conference  
Save the Date!**



**Contact Us!**



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