

HIGH SCHOOL MISSION TRIP

TWIN CITIES, MN

JUNE 17-24, 2017



ELIGIBLE PARTICIPANTS

- Any St. Maria Goretti teen who is currently in 9-12th grade can participate.
- We have 20 spots reserved for teens, which will be filled on a first-come, first-served basis.

ST. MARIA GORETTI CHAPERONES

There will be 5 male/female chaperones. Chaperones will complete a background check, VIRTUS training, and other necessary training.

Their role will be to serve and minister to the teens by providing direction, encouragement, and discipline, when necessary. They will also drive the teens to and from the service sites/activities.

SERVICE, CONNECTION, & LOVING OTHERS

CHWC started in 1993 in Orlando, FL with 100 participants and has grown to over 14,000 serving in 2016. Through CHWC, teens are provided opportunities to restore homes and hearts, while feeding the hungry, lifting the spirits of children, bringing joy to the elderly and disabled and offering assistance while partnering with social agencies.



CATHOLIC HEART WORK CAMP

Each work camp is equipped with a summer staff, director, manager, professional musician, nurse, and priests to celebrate Mass and Reconciliation.



TWIN CITIES, MN

Minneapolis-St. Paul metro area includes a total of 16 counties; it's the 14th largest region in the country

Suburban and rural poverty in this metro area rose by 92% from 2000-2013

In St. Paul, over 67,000 people live in poverty-- that's 24% of the population and includes 25,000 children

LODGING

Holy Family Catholic High School
8101 Kochia Lane
Victoria, MN 55386



DAILY SCHEDULE

Breakfast @ 6:45am
Morning Program @ 7:30am
Leave for Work Sites @ 8:15am
Serve @ 8:30am-3:30pm
• Lunch at site with a daily devotion
Free Time @ 3:30pm
Dinner @ 5:15pm
Evening Program @ 7:00pm
SMG Reflection Time after Evening Program

POSSIBLE WORK PROJECTS

Home maintenance
Neighborhood revitalization
Painting
Yard work
Indoor/outdoor clean-up
Playing with children at low-income
daycare centers & boys and girls clubs
Helping at centers that distribute food to
the hungry

WORK CREWS

Youth will be separated into
ministry groups for the week.

Groups will include youth and
adult chaperones from SMG and
from other Catholic churches all
around the country.

EVENING PROGRAM

The evening programs will be filled
with activities, music, skits, videos,
slides of the work day, testimonies
from teens, motivational speakers,
and prayer.



ESTIMATED TIME : 5 HOURS
ESTIMATED TRAVEL DISTANCE:
290 MILES



TRAVEL ITINERARY

- We will depart from SMG in the morning of Saturday, June 17.
- We will travel in minivans and stay in a hotel on Saturday evening.
- We will return to Madison on the evening of Saturday, June 24.

REGISTRATION

To register, turn in the following to the Youth Ministry Office:

- A non-refundable deposit of \$100
- The registration form

The reserved spots will be filled on a first come, first served basis. Register ASAP to ensure your participation on this year's mission trip!

COST DETAILS

The trip will cost each student \$650.

This cost includes:

- Housing accommodations in Minnesota
- Breakfasts, lunches, and dinners when on site
- Various materials/ supplies
- Van rentals and gas
- Activity fees

FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE

- If you want to go on the trip, but are in need of financial assistance, please contact Becky.

SAMPLE SPONSOR LETTER

As a member of St. Maria Goretti Parish in Madison, Wisconsin, I would like to tell you about an experience that I will be participating in during the week of June 17, 2017. I will be one of 25 high school students and adult chaperones from the parish who will be going on a mission trip to Twin Cities, MN. In Minnesota, I will have the opportunity to serve in a variety of ways including helping with home projects and at local ministry organizations that support children and the elderly. This experience will allow me to serve others and to be a part of the community members' lives for a short time. It will allow me to live out God's call to love and to care for others through direct service to those in need. The cost for this experience is \$650. I would like to ask for your support. First and most importantly, I ask you to keep my group and I in your prayers. Secondly, I ask you to consider sponsoring me financially. I promise to pray daily for everyone who sponsors and supports me. Please send your monetary donation to our trip leader:

Becky Phillips
St. Maria Goretti
5405 Flad Ave.
Madison, WI 53711

Checks can be made out to: St. Maria Goretti.

May God bless you for your generosity and kindness!

MANDATORY FUNDRAISING EVENTS

- Pizza Factory:

Sat., Feb. 4 (8:00am – 1:30pm)

Teens and a parent should plan to help the entire time AS WELL AS distribute pizzas after one weekend Mass on Feb. 4/5.

- Bread Sales:

Teens and a parent should plan on selling bread after at least one of the weekend Masses on Nov. 19/20 AND Apr. 1/2.

**MISSION TRIP
RETREAT**

**Friday, May 5
5-10pm
In the School**

*Details will follow,
but mark your
calendars now!*

**QUESTIONS?
CONTACT:**

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Cost: \$650.00

Payment Schedule:

\$100	Non-refundable deposit due w/ registration form
\$150	Due Jan. 15
\$150	Due Feb. 15
\$150	Due Mar. 15
\$100	Due Apr. 15
\$650	Total

Fundraising Requirements:

- ◆ Help make pizzas at the **Pizza Factory**: Saturday, Feb. 4 (8:00am - 2:00pm)
 - Teens and at least one of their parents should plan to help the entire time as well as help distribute pizzas after one weekend Mass on Feb. 4/Feb 5.
- ◆ Help out at the fall and spring **Bread Sales**
 - Teens and at least one of their parents should plan to help sell bread after one weekend Mass on Nov. 19/20 and Apr. 1/2.

Other Involvement:

- ◆ Mission trip retreat (May 5 at 5-10pm)
- ◆ Mass of blessing and send off (June 10 at 9am Mass)
- ◆ Volunteer at fish frys, pancake breakfast, other parish events



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Registration Form

Please return this form and your \$100 deposit to the Youth Ministry Office.

Teen's Name: _____

Teen's Current Grade: _____

Parents' Names: _____

Home Phone Number: _____

Parent's Email Address: _____

Teen's Email Address: _____

T-Shirt Size: (Adult Sizes) S M L XL 2XL (Please circle one)

I give permission for my son/daughter's photo to be posted on the SMG parish website, Youth Ministry Facebook page or future *Gatherings* articles. Y or N

Parent's Signature: _____

Please note: additional authorization forms will need to be filled out before the trip.