


PAX YOUTH NEWS

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Greetings from the ROCK...



Believe!

Mark 5:36

A Catholic Youth and Family Day!

10:30 a.m. Outdoor Mass Bishop John Quinn Matt Maher & Youth Choir	Tickets: \$7.00 per person \$25.00 per family cap Cost includes lunch!
11:30 a.m. Lunch (included with ticket)	Tickets available at: Pastoral Center, Winona, MN (507)454-4643 The Crossings Center, Lewiston (507)522-3016 [credit cards accepted] Tickets also available online www.christiancrossings.org
12:00 p.m. Service projects Inflatable Amusements Other age appropriate activities	Service Projects: Participants are encouraged to bring a school supply to donate. Help assemble meals to send overseas to feed hungry people.
1:00 p.m. Concert/program Performance by Matt Maher	Contact: Christian Crossings Joel Hennessy (507)522-3016 joelh@christiancrossings.org
2:30 p.m. Closing Blessing	
4:00 p.m. Carnival attractions close	

Schedule **Information**

Sunday, June 28, 2009

The Crossings Center

Located behind St. Rose of Lima Catholic Church

170 S. Fremont St., Lewiston, Minnesota



*Meet Bishop John Quinn
and national Catholic
recording artist sensation
Matt Maher and band.*



A day sponsored by Christian Crossings and the
Catholic Parishes of the Winona Deanery.

I Know Myself Because I Met Christ

- ◆ *“After going to PROOF, it opened me up. I was more comfortable about sharing. I have even started praying more...”*
- ◆ *“I found that although everyone is different and unique, we all desire the same things. We all desire to be happy and to be loved. This helped me realize that although I may find someone boring or annoying or rude, we all have this desire. That helps me get beyond their personality and really stay with person; find out more about them.”*
- ◆ *“There is one main thing I have recognized through this year of PROOF...my desire to be open to Christ.”*
- ◆ *“I was struck by the singing this year. We sang with confidence and courage. We sang louder and wanted to sing. I loved how the songs related to things in my life and with the lessons.”*
- ◆ *“PROOF this year was really good for me. Sometimes when my life got so busy and crazy, I knew that PROOF was somewhere that I could come and where I would not be judged. The catechists often challenged me to look at my experiences differently and to be open to what I could learn about myself and about Christ in a simple every day occurrence.”*
- ◆ *“I found that people came here, for the most part, were interested to learn more about their faith and that amazed me. I didn’t think anyone could honestly become interested in the Church, and by coming and learning more about myself and God I have been struck by my desire to WANT to know more, which I thought would NEVER happen to me.”*
- ◆ *“...during days at school or home or wherever I might be, I find myself asking “why”, “why am I doing this?” That is the biggest thing I’ve gotten out of PROOF. I don’t just take things for granted anymore. And through asking all these “why” questions, I’ve learned a lot about myself.”*

Anonymous Reflections by 9-12th Grade Students who participated in PROOF this year

A Student’s Prayer on a Bad Weather Day

This took place in Chicago, Illinois. My family was driving in really bad weather, and I was scared. When we were driving, I started to think what can I do to help me feel better. All of a sudden, I thought to make my own prayer.

O mighty God, please watch over the people that are driving in this bad weather. Please put your wings over their car or truck.

Thank you for watching over us and getting us to our destination in one piece. Get the other drivers to their destination safely and in one piece. We ask this through our Jesus Christ. Amen.

After I wrote it, I said it to myself. My heart just brightened. Before I went to bed, I showed this to my Dad. He told me that he got goose bumps from reading it, and said that this is the best prayer that he has seen. It truly made me feel a lot better. So if you are in a similar situation I suggest you write a prayer.

Eric Taraba
6th Grade Student





Youth Ministry Summer Activities

May

- 6 Softball Game 7pm
- 13 Middle School Game Night 7-8:30pm at the ROCK
Softball Game 7pm / HS Bonfire 8:30-10pm
- 20 Softball Game 7pm / HS Bonfire 8:30-10pm
- 25 GS Memorial Day Hike—Registration forms due May 16th
- 27 Softball Game 7pm / HS Bonfire 8:30-10pm
- 31 GS Charitable Works—Sunday Lunch Program

June

- 6 Men's Club Beer & Brats Night (All Families Invited)
- 10 Citywide Valley Fair Trip—Registration forms due June 3rd.
Softball Game 6pm / HS Bonfire 7:30-10pm
- 14-21 SHINE Catholic Work Camp (HS—FULL)
- 17 Softball Game 6pm / HS Bonfire 7:30-10pm
- 22-26 Summer Church Camp—Registration forms for volunteers due May 15th
- 24 Softball Game 7pm (no bonfire afterwards)
- 28 Catholic Youth & Family Day—Lewiston, MN
For more info: http://www.dow.org/youth_fam.html
- 28—July 1st Called to Serve: MS Work Camp—Registration forms for Middle School participants and High School volunteers due May 15th

July

- 7-12 GS Summer Vacation (HS) - Registration forms due May 29th
- 8 Softball Game 6pm (no bonfire afterwards)
- 12 Middle School Water Game Night 6:30-8pm at the ROCK
- 17-19 Steubenville North Youth Conference (HS)
For more info: <http://www.franciscanyouth.net>
- 22 Softball Game 6pm (no bonfire afterwards)
- 26 Middle School Bonfire Night 7-9pm
- 29 Softball Game 7pm / HS Bonfire 8:30-10pm

August

- 5 Softball Game 6pm / HS Bonfire 7:30-10pm
- 7 Family City Prayz at the LaCrosse Center—Registration forms due July 22nd
- 7-9 Pathways TEC Retreat in Rochester (HS)
For more info: <http://www.dow.org/TEC.html>
- 12 Softball Game 6pm / HS Bonfire 7:30-10pm
- 19 Softball Playoffs (HS Bonfire to follow)
- 26 HS Bonfire 8-10pm
- 30 Family Twins Game—Registration forms due August 19th

***All softball games are at Slatterly Park. Come support the team!

***All registration forms for Pax Christi Events are found at www.paxchristiyouth.org

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