



Catholic Diocese of Columbus

Office of Youth and Young Adult Ministry
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Dear Youth Leader:

Please read this entire letter carefully as it contains **very important information regarding the ticketing process for the 2018 Youth Rally and Mass for Life** to be held on **Friday, January 19 in Washington DC**. Once again there is an exciting youth event planned at the Capital 1 Arena (formerly the Verizon Center) on the morning of the National March for Life. Please note that the Archdiocese reduced the event to one venue for 2018, which will greatly limit the supply of tickets for the event.

In order to ensure that more groups are able to attend the rally and celebrate as a diocese in one location, once again **this year tickets must be reserved through your diocese**. With this in mind, I am writing to inform you that I will be serving as the liaison for the Diocese of Columbus. The Office of Youth and Young Adult Ministry is NOT sponsoring a diocesan trip to the events but we are acting as the contact for groups in the diocese who want to attend the pre-March for Life Youth Rally and Mass sponsored by the Archdiocese of Washington.

To have your ticket request considered you must complete and return the ticket request form found on our web page at <https://columbuscatholic.org/youth-rally-and-mass-for-life> The form with your estimated ticket request must be returned to our office **by November 1, 2017**. Requesting tickets doesn't necessarily mean you will get tickets.

Please take note of the following information:

- Ticket requests must be received by November 1st so that we can process all requests to submit to the Archdiocese of Washington by their deadline.
- Do not overestimate the numbers in your group. In an effort to allow as many youth as possible from our diocese to attend, please be accurate with your request. Please note that a request for tickets does not guarantee entrance into either location or a specific location.
- Diocesan ticket requests are due to the Archdiocese of Washington by November. We will notify you as soon as we are given notification of our ticket allotment from the Archdiocese.
- In the event that you do not receive tickets, your name will be added to the waiting list.
- **If we do not receive your request by November 1st**, your request will not be sent to the Archdiocese of Washington but will be added to the waiting list in the case that cancellations within other groups occur.

To find out more about the Youth Rally and Mass for Life, you may visit <http://youthrallyandmassforlife.org/>

We look forward to working with you as we prepare for the pilgrimage to Washington DC for the National March for Life and Youth Rally and Mass for Life. Please contact me at mhall@cdeducation.org or 614.241.2565 with any questions regarding this new procedure. God's blessings to you.

Sincerely,

Mike Hall
Director of Youth and Young Adult Ministry