Assumption Young Adults Vision + Planning for 2022-2023

WHO WE ARE

Our Mission Statement and Core Values

Our mission is to support young adults in growing in a deep, authentic, whole and personal relationship with God. We create a safe and welcoming community for all young adults to learn and grow in the faith.

Core Values:

- Fidelity to the Catholic Church
- Having fun while growing closer to God
- A community that welcomes people where they're at in their faith

Our Team's Ministry Priorities

Welcoming and accessible

- Safe environment
- Welcoming to those who are not practicing, or are of other faiths (or no faith) -- "bring back YAs to the faith
- Not holier-than-thou; not clique-ish
- Inclusive of other YA ministries, and those from other parishes
- COVID conscious: hybrid (livestream) format, outdoor events
- Reach out to those who are often overlooked within our community (those struggling with
 doubt, same-sex attraction/gender discordance; those who are immunocompromised;
 introverts not because that's a life challenge but because often aspects of ministry
 events can be unappealing or overwhelming to them)...not about changing everything to
 accommodate, but doing what we can

Growing towards God from the heart

- Supporting the whole person's growth towards God (human formation as the foundation for spiritual formation)
 - o Including talking about mental health issues
- Go deep
- Always bring it back to relationship with God

Providing solid formative content

- Solid resources
- Content backed by expertise (qualified speakers/priests)

Fidelity to the Church

- Fidelity to the teachings of the Church
- Our team = Marian-focused

Catholicism is appealing

- Catholics are cool
- Grow in faith from community

PLANNING THE YEAR

Our events

Schedule (Month and Target Date)	Theme and Broad Description
Aug 13, 2022	Body + Soul: about human formation in light of the Assumption Topic: Body & Soul: about human formation in light of the Assumption. Speaker: 1. Fr Bryan Duggan from All Saints (Leah will contact him),) - Not available 2. Fr. John Horgan (depending on his health) - Not available 3. Fr David Bellusci (Connor will ask him/ his superior) - Not available 4. Fr Peter Nygren OSB (rector Christ the King Highschool Sem) - Waiting for permission 5. PJ Lewis (Catholic, counselor, former CCO evangelist) 6. Jody Garneau (Catholic, counselor, Souls & Hearts outreach) Other options: Sr John Mary FSE
September	Mini Fellowship Events
October 22, 2022: Divine Mercy (Feast of JPII)	Topic: Mercy: What is Divine Mercy: Ask Father James on who is a good guest speaker from the archdiocese? Guest speaker: A priest from Seattle Archdiocese or Fr Horgan, Fr Pablo (from Holy Rosary Cathedral). Or Salvatorians?
November	Mini Fellowship Events
December 10, 2022	 Topic: Immaculate Confessions before Mass Mass Guest Speaker: Father Anthony Ho (Connor will contact him) or ask the Dominican Sisters Christmas/Advent Celebration: wear ugly Christmas sweaters donation of kids toys and bringing back to the community
January	Mini Fellowship Events

February 11, 2023 Speaker locked in! Emi recommended an additional speaker, a couple whom she interviewed, Michael and Camille Mendoza	 Topic: Harmony?: Human Formation issues that comes up in marriage and how to prepare for marriage Guest Speaker: Sister John Mary
March	Mini Fellowship Events
April 15:	 Topic: Salvation (?): Salvation in the context of love (i.e. why did God save us?) Guest Speaker: Father Gabriel de Chadarevian, OP (Connor to contact)
May	Mini Fellowship Events
June 3, 2023	 Topic: Power (might change the name) Eucharistic/Corpus Christi Feast Day What is the Eucharist/What does God's love mean to us? speaker?