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2010



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Youthtober

E te whanau a te Karaiti

It is both my pleasure and delight to bring to your attention and to commend to you Youth-tober 2010. Youth-tober, as I trust you know, is a month long opportunity for the Diocese of Waiapu, to focus upon, to build on, and to celebrate Waiapu Youth. I would suggest that Youth-tober is an excellent time to consider ways in which young people can be involved in the life of your/our parish perhaps in ways in which they are not presently engaged. I would suggest that this is the ideal time to intentionally pray for-and-about Youth Ministry (this is, Ministry with and by Youth), in your particular context and also throughout the diocese. And I would suggest that it is the right time to ask questions regarding where our young people are in the wider community, and to explore the ways in which we can engage with them where they are.

Again, brothers and sisters, I would ask that you offer good leadership here as you encourage those with whom you share life and ministry to consider how we can take seriously and enliven a significant aspect and priority in the overall Vision of the Diocese of Waiapu, namely, Ministry to Under 40's. I look forward to hearing about what you and others are planning in preparation for this important month in the life of Waiapu, Youth-tober 2010.

If you would like to discuss any ideas or have any queries, please don't hesitate to contact our Diocesan Youth Facilitator - Jocelyn Czerwonka, your Regional Youth Facilitator or one of our Bishop's Chaplains or myself.

With blessings as we know Christ and make Christ known,
Arohanui

+David
Bishop of Waiapu

Helpful suggestions:

Youth-tober is the month for your Parish to take action, seek God's will and find out what you can offer to the young people in your Parish and community. Here are some ideas to get you started:

Prayer:

- Gather 2 or 3 people to regularly pray during October.

Brainstorming Session:

Gather interested young people together to brainstorm ideas for outreach. Ideas might include:

- Dance group
- Youth band.
- Drama group
- Sports Day
- Whanau Day
- Movie nights
- Cooking competition
- Craft Day
- Sleep over's

**A Youth library is available on PDF file for you to choose books.
Contact: Your local RYMF & DYMF.....**

Light Party

- As an alternative to Halloween host a Light Party or All Saints Eve Party in your Parish. Do a letterbox drop, invite local families and send invites to schools.

Bay Of Plenty

A brief look at who you can connect with in your region:

Mount Maunganui

St Marys Strikers

St Marys Strikers is a program designed for children 4 ½ to 6 years and 7 to 9 years. Primarily focused on the children having fun while participating in football and developing their motor skills, speed, agility, coordination, communication skills, social skills and many other areas of learning and development.

Contact:

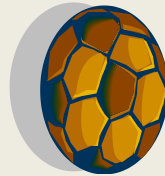
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Regional Whodunit 9th Oct Holy Trinity Tauranga.

St Luke's Rotorua there is Youth Group every fortnight on Sunday afternoons from 4-6pm – Contact Alex Czerwonka 07 3489383

St Luke Rotorua - Tikanga Youth Service on Sunday 17th -10am.

Wow check this out..

A new youth group at Ngongotaha is going to start at the beginning of the new [4th] term. It is going to be called 'Truth'. Contact Kristy Boardman -027 7775725

Taupo

Kidz 4 Christ in Taupo for the intermediate youth.

*They meet Fridays 3.30pm-5.00pm @ St Andrews
Contact: Jenny Blundell ph 073770459*

A special activity at the moment is they are all learning to play the ukelele.

Kawerau:

*Maggie's Wiggle Worms Preschool Music - babies, toddlers preschoolers contact Jenny 07 323 8617
reynoldj@slingshot.co.nz*

*Friends & Heroes - Primary school age children
contact Jenny 07 323 8617 reynoldj@slingshot.co.nz
or Kath Cook 07 323 7537*

Opotiki:

Has an interdenominational group for 5-18 year olds. They have two groups; Primary yrs 1-8 and High School yrs 9-13 groups

The two groups meet on Fridays between 6-8.00pm starting with a free meal at 6pm.

Meet in the old Bin Inn building in Elliot St,

Contact:

Nick Hanne 07 315 5885

Rebekah Kauta 07 315 5475

Holy Trinity Tauranga - Connect to the website for more info.....

Illuminator & Fusion youth groups

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Contact:

**Mark Vevers
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0272026737**

Saints and Angels at St Mary's

On Halloween Night we run a street party in our church Car-park for children. Our advertising offers people an event to celebrate the day without going for the door to door thing.

Children are invited to dress up and most of them do.

The party runs from 5 to 7pm and people can drop in any time.

Everything is free except the BBQ where we charge standard prices for a sausage and also sell mini hot dogs on a stick.

We provide baking and fairy bread, popcorn, homemade lemon squash and lots of lollies as prizes. We also provide tea and coffee. The food and drink are out all evening and children/parents can help themselves.

For activities we offer a range of games and children can move freely among them.

There needs to be fun music going on in the background to create atmosphere – CD or live

Usually the lollies are given out at each game but this year we might try giving people a reward card when they succeed at a game and when they have so many cards they can collect a prize.

The children are really happy to play the same games over and over and it is surprising how many people stay for over an hour.

Sometimes we get our pre-school music team along to run a short dance session. This would also work if you had a jump jam team or a kids Zumba group.

We have been running these parties for more than ten years and have never yet had a wet night but it is often windy and chilly by 7pm.

Activity Ideas
Pin the tail on the donkey
Horse shoe throwing
Amazing Maze – a Top Parish game
Teddy in the hoop – throw a hula hoop over a teddy on a chair
Fishing – Top Parish game
Basketball
Bean bag golf
Ball toss into buckets at different distances
Chalk drawing on the concrete
Face Painting
Hammer and Nails – how many strikes to get the nail in the wood

Eastland

Te Hapara Parish

Fish N Chip

Contacts:

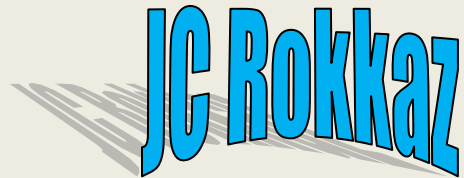
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Waikohu Co-operating Parish



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Regional Youth Service

Tolaga Bay Sunday 26th September

Hawkes Bay

All Saints Taradale

Youth group once a week Friday 7.30pm.

Contemporary service Sunday evening 630pm :

Contact Sandi Hall: 0274080409

Joe Keighley 021909682

St Andrews West shore ' KIDS CLUB'

Meets every second Friday
afternoon from 3.15 – 5pm
during term time.

Primary school children.

We meet at the St Andrew's
church hall in Charles
Street, West shore, Napier.

Contact: Jan Marrington

Email: [marrington@xtra.co.
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St Lukes Havelock North The Zone

Get Into it

Meet Fridays 7-9

Contact Dave Tait 0273600086

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X4Y

Contact Brendan Russell

St Johns Dannevirke

familypastoral@xtra.co.nz

Youth Internship

Waiapu Diocese is offering three young people the opportunity to participate in a year long internship programme. The programme provides the young people with the chance to discover ministry in a number of settings throughout the Diocese. The



programme is a great prospect for young people who are really keen to discover future opportunities. The programme will encourage, nurture, train, support and present valuable life skills. We have three young people already involved in the internship programme who are learning a lot of new skills and are making a valuable contribution to the life of the parishes. The Waiapu Diocese endorses the programmes structures as essential ingredients that support the development of young people and their faith.

If you know of young people who may want to be a part of this ministry please contact your Regional Youth Ministry Facilitator or DYFM...

Summer Internship

Waiapu Diocese is offering young people the opportunity to engage in the “Summer Internship” programme. This program is run over the summer holidays where interns are hosted in region for a time running holiday programmes. The internship programme has been a stepping stone to the year long youth internship, and has provided valuable experience for those who have been a part of it. Youth



will learn skills to present a programme and will be a great asset to your parish at this time of year.



Lectio Divina - A way of reading Scripture:

Listening for Christ the Word

- 1) **Reading:** One person reads aloud the passage of scripture, as others listen for the word or phrase that is especially meaningful for them.
- 2) **Silence** for two minutes. Each person hears and silently repeats a word or a phrase that has attracted them.
- 3) **Sharing aloud** each may make a single sentence statement of the word or phrase that has attracted them. No elaboration.

How Christ the Word speaks to me

- 4) **Second Reading** of the same passage by another person.
- 5) **Silence** for two minutes reflecting on “How does the content of this reading touch my life today?”
- 6) **Sharing aloud**, briefly, beginning “I hear...” or “I see...”

What Christ the Word is inviting me to do

- 7) **Third Reading** of same passage by another person.
- 8) **Silence** for two minutes reflecting on “I believe that God wants me to be or do today/during this event?”
- 9) **Sharing aloud** the result of each person’s reflection. Be especially aware of what is shared by the person on your right.
- 10) **After sharing**, in turn, **pray** for the person on your right

Important note. *Anyone may say “pass” at any time. If instead of sharing with the group you prefer to pray silently, simply state this aloud and conclude your silent prayer with ‘Amen’*

Fundraising

Make Youth-tober your fundraising month for youth events.

Become a Top Parish Supporter

Every Parishioner can be supporting young people in our Diocese by becoming a Top Parish Supporter. Money raised helps to keep costs down to enable as many young people to attend Top Parish as possible. Because of the generosity of Top Parish Supporters last year we were able to greatly subsidise registration fees and we hope to be able to continue to do the same in 2011. Top Parish Supporter packs are available now, encourage your Parish and Parishioners to take part. Ask your Regional Youth Facilitator for a pack if you have not received yours yet.

Car Wash

Encourage young people to run a car wash after church on Sunday to raise funds for youth activities such as Parachute Festival.

Odd Job Day

Advertise an 'odd job day' when Parishioners can invite young people to help with tasks for a donation. Young people should work in pairs or small groups rather than alone when going into people's homes.

Other ideas: Cake Stalls and Sausage Sizzles, Sponsored Walk, Garage sale

Supporting Overseas Mission: Generations X and Y are very concerned about Social and Justice issues. Youthtober can be a time for young people to focus on some of these wider issues. Run a 'Wipe Out Poverty' event, Shantytown experience or a simple fundraiser event. Check out some Mission sites:

cws@cws.org.nz

www.WorldVision.org.nz

www.nzcms.org.nz

The KISS and GRIT approach to Christian Youth Ministry

‘Keeping it Simple and Straightforward’ is the best approach to Youth Ministry.

Christian Youth Ministry isn’t difficult, it just requires a bit of GRIT

G God

R Regular Prayer, Programmes and Planning

I Inspiration, Initiative and Integrity

T Trust and Truthfulness, Time and Commitment – young people want to trust you, trust God and see you truthfully living out your Christian faith

“This generation is looking for adult leadership that will believe in them, listen to them, understand them and model being authentic followers of Jesus Christ.” Quote Mike King, author of ‘Presence-Centred Youth Ministry’.

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