



Greetings in Christ,

You may not be surprised to hear that 80% of students who go off to college stop practicing their faith. But, did you ever wonder about that other 20%? What kept them rooted in their faith and motivated to keep practicing in an environment that may not be conducive for doing so? Research indicates that a simple, personal invitation encouraged these individuals to grow and live their faith via a campus ministry program.

The Diocese of Sacramento is partnering with Newman Ministries to extend that same invitation to our diocesan youth wherever they decide to begin their new college life. The process is simple:

- Send Newman Ministries the student's name, prospective college, and contact info
- Newman will share the student's information with the campus minister of the students' college
- The campus minister will reach out and invite the student to be part of their campus ministry community before the student even shows up on campus

Heading off to college can be intimidating, but through this program, students can be confident that they will have a faithful and supportive group of friends behind them from day one! Together, we can help make the college transition for them as smooth as possible while, more importantly, retaining (and growing) their faith.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'Kim Steiner', is written in a cursive style.

Director Youth & Young Adult Ministry

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