April 7, 2025

Dear Youth Ministry Coordinators and CREs/DREs,

We are excited to announce that **nominations are open** for **Youth On A Mission (YOAM) 2025**. The high school youth leadership training will be held **July 21-24, 2025** at the **Sacramento Newman Center**. Overnight accommodations will be through our partnership with Sacramento State University. The cost per participant is \$350.

In order for youth to participate at Youth On A Mission (YOAM), each participant must be nominated by their parish leader (ie parish Youth Minister, Young Adult Minister, Campus Minister, DRE/CRE, or Pastor/Parochial Administrator). This is reminder that YOAM is not a retreat nor intended for every youth. It is leadership formation for high school youth who are actively involved in the parish/school and serving in some capacity. We ask that you prayerfully discern your youth nominations. Also, as an effort to invest in the next generation of young Catholic leaders, we highly encourage parishes to sponsor 1/3 of the cost for each of the participants they nominate.

To submit your youth nominations, please complete the nomination form (one form per nominee): https://bit.ly/yoam2025nom. The nomination period will remain open **until April 30**. Should you have any questions, please reach out to me. Thank you!

Blessings,

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