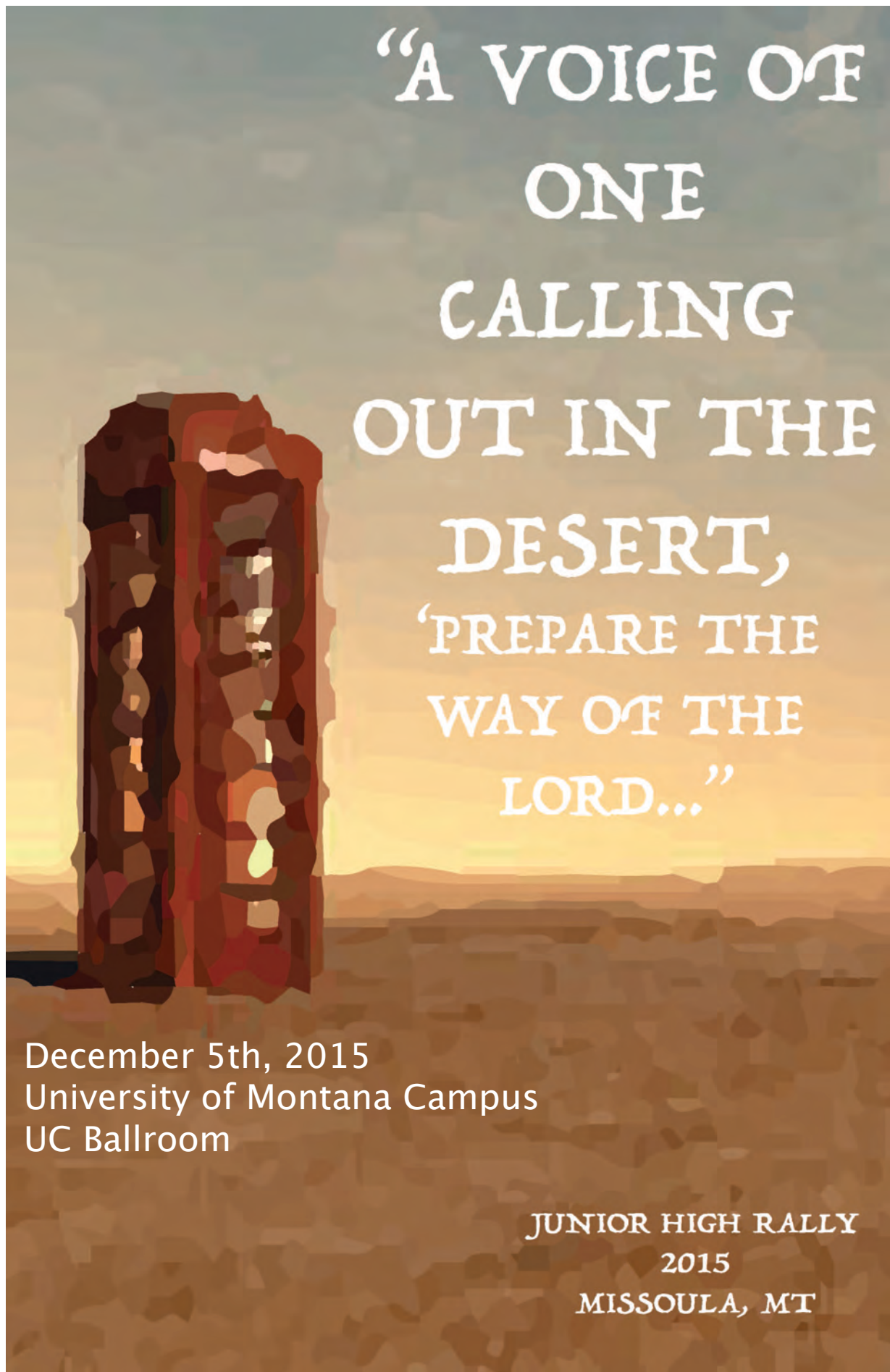


JUNIOR HIGH RALLY HANDBOOK



“A VOICE OF
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CALLING
OUT IN THE
DESERT,
‘PREPARE THE
WAY OF THE
LORD..’”

December 5th, 2015
University of Montana Campus
UC Ballroom

JUNIOR HIGH RALLY
2015
MISSOULA, MT

GET THIS...



Cost and Payment

Early registration is \$35 and late registration is \$50!

The fee is required for everyone registering; we encourage the parish or school to consider paying the fee for those serving as chaperones.

No registration will be available at the door. Please do not ask. Payment is done online or at the door. Please call the Office of Youth and Young Adult Ministry if you have any questions (1-800-584-8914).

Important Information...

Date: December 5th, 2015

Location:

**University of Montana
UC Ballroom**

Arrival: 10 AM

Departure: 9:30 PM

October 15 Registration opens. NO ADULT WILL BE ALLOWED TO CHAPERONE YOUTH IF THEY HAVE NOT COMPLETED THE VIRTUS SAFE ENVIRONMENT TRAINING, STAYED UP-TO-DATE ON THEIR ONLINE BULLETINS, AND A CRIMINAL/MOTOR VEHICLE BACKGROUND CHECK. Catholic Formation Services Department will notify any parish by November 30th, 2015 which chaperones and/or other adult participants are not eligible because they are not listed in the diocesan Safe Environment database as of November 15, 2015 for having attended the "Protecting God's Children" training. Additionally, all

chaperones must stay on site with their youth at all times.

November 30- Early registration closes for Youth Ministers to enter youth participants. Cost becomes \$50 for all participants.

December 2- Registration closes for Youth Ministers to enter youth participants.

All registrations must be done online.

Participants must register with their parish. Fill out a paper registration and give it to your parish youth ministry coordinator. Parish leaders then simply go to our Youth Ministry website (www.dohyouth.org) and click the link to the JH Rally registration to register their group. Parishes are responsible for registering their youth and adults for this event.





When you arrive...

Youth Ministers should go to the “Registration” table in the lobby of the UC Ballroom and pick up their Rally materials for their parish or school. No one else is permitted to pick up your particular materials unless you have previously notified Catholic Formation Services. If you have had registration changes (additions or cancellations) since first submitting them, they can be handled at this time. Distribute the materials to your group and prepare for a great time!

Special Needs

Catholic Formation Services will make every effort to make this a barrier-free Rally for all participants. Individuals with special needs are asked to indicate that information on their individual registration form and are encouraged to contact us in advance (1-800-584-8914 or

There will be no professional medical staff on site throughout the Rally.

Some important things to know...

Name-tags: All participants are to wear their own Rally name-tag and bracelet at all times. We reserve the right to refuse admission to any Rally session, special event or meal to anyone not wearing his or her own name-tag and bracelet.

Dress Code:

Youth and adults are urged to dress casually for the Rally weekend. Keep in mind that fall is becoming winter. Dress appropriately. We are here to celebrate Christ’s presence in the youth of our parishes. To enable participation in the icebreakers, all participants are encouraged to wear comfortable, appropriate clothing for a very active day!

Housing:

All registered participants (male and female, youth and adults) are on their own for housing arrangements.

If a parish’s group requires housing on either the evening of Friday, December 4 or Saturday, December 5, they are responsible for making their own arrangements. The hotel has rooms available at a discount rate. Call for details.

Meals:

The Rally registration fee includes one meal. Saturday lunch is the only meal included in the cost of the rally. As travel schedules

allow, participants are encouraged to eat breakfast on Saturday morning before arrival. **Groups are on their own for dinner.**

Emergency Phone Contacts:

Doug Tooke’s mobile phone number is 1-406-461-8983. Please feel free to use this number for emergency contacts for parents. Please leave this number at your parish or school office, if not with participants’ families.

Code of Conduct:

As applicable by law, the possession and/or use of any drugs, tobacco, alcohol or weapons will not be tolerated at the Rally, nor will fighting, obscene language or other inappropriate behavior. The inappropriate or distracting use of cell phones and/or camera phones is not permitted, and the Rally staff may confiscate such for the duration of the Rally. This applies to all participants (youth and adults). If necessary, persons abusing this policy will be dismissed from the Rally and sent home at their own expense. Let’s help one another by not putting anyone in the position of even suspecting such behavior on another’s part while at the Rally. Neither the Diocese of Helena nor the hotel assumes any responsibility for any civil violation incurred through the abuse of this policy. With your help, we can all have a blast!

Make sure you have a meal plan!

Chaperone Guidelines:

We hope this year's Rally will be a positive experience for everyone! These guidelines may help make your own ministry as a chaperone and our entire Rally experience enjoyable and safe for all. ALL participants are expected to attend ALL Rally activities.

We have asked each parish/school to send at least ONE (1) ADULT CHAPERONE FOR EVERY TEN (10) BOYS OR GIRLS under 18 in your group. Contact your Youth Minister for the names of the teens you will be chaperoning during the Rally. All chaperones must also have fulfilled the Diocese of Helena Safe Environment training and hold a clean criminal and motor vehicle background check.

BE WITH YOUR GROUP AS MUCH AS POSSIBLE UNLESS YOU ARE ATTENDING YOUR OWN WORKSHOP EXPERIENCE. During general sessions, liturgy and meals, please sit as a group if possible. During any "free" time, you are expected to know the whereabouts of the youth you are chaperoning.

Please pay close attention to the needs and behavior of the youth entrusted to your care. If a situation arises that requires adult supervision of youth you are not otherwise chaperoning, take charge of anything in the area deemed needful. REMEMBER THAT WE ALL REPRESENT THE CHURCH. The diocesan staff will assist in whatever way we can, but the PRIMARY RESPONSIBILITY LAYS WITH THE YOUTH AND THEIR YOUTH MINISTERS AND CHAPERONES AT ALL TIMES.

We ask that you yourself not go anywhere that you could not, or would not, take your youth with you. You are a role model for these youth; please PRESENT A POSITIVE IMAGE by your actions as well as your words. While serving as a chaperone for the Rally,

please refrain from all alcohol, tobacco and/or drug use.

If problems arise that cannot be satisfactorily resolved for the good of all by the persons involved, Catholic Formation Services professional staff reserves the right to send participants home before the close of the Rally. Arrangements and expenses for such will be sustained by the individual involved or another responsible party.

We strongly suggest that you give a list of your youth group participants to your chaperones so they will know beforehand who they are responsible for, including directions for whom to contact in case of emergency or other needs. An evening with chaperones before the Rally would be a great opportunity to plan for the event and establish contingency plans for accidents, sickness or misconduct.

Concerning transportation...

There is fairly sufficient parking at the hotel for all vehicles. All participants are discouraged from using their vehicles during the weekend other than for immediate Rally-related transportation.

Groups using commercial transportation, or using drivers and vehicles that are not staying through the day, are responsible for coordinating and arranging transportation to and from the parking lot. It is the responsibility of participant groups to arrange such, securing the necessary permissions and addressing any related liability concerns.

For further information or assistance before the Rally, contact your local Youth Minister or Doug Tooke at 1-800-584-8914 or email dtooke@diocesehelena.org

DINNER!



Plan ahead!

OYYAM will not be providing dinner on Saturday evening. All groups will have a 1 1/2 hour block to feed their youth. PLAN AHEAD! Remember to contact local restaurants ahead of time when making arrangements for large numbers of youth.

Christ the King Parish will provide a chili dinner for participants. Kevin Molm and George Lund will be your contacts. YOU MUST RSVP if you plan to attend. Call 406-728-3845 today!

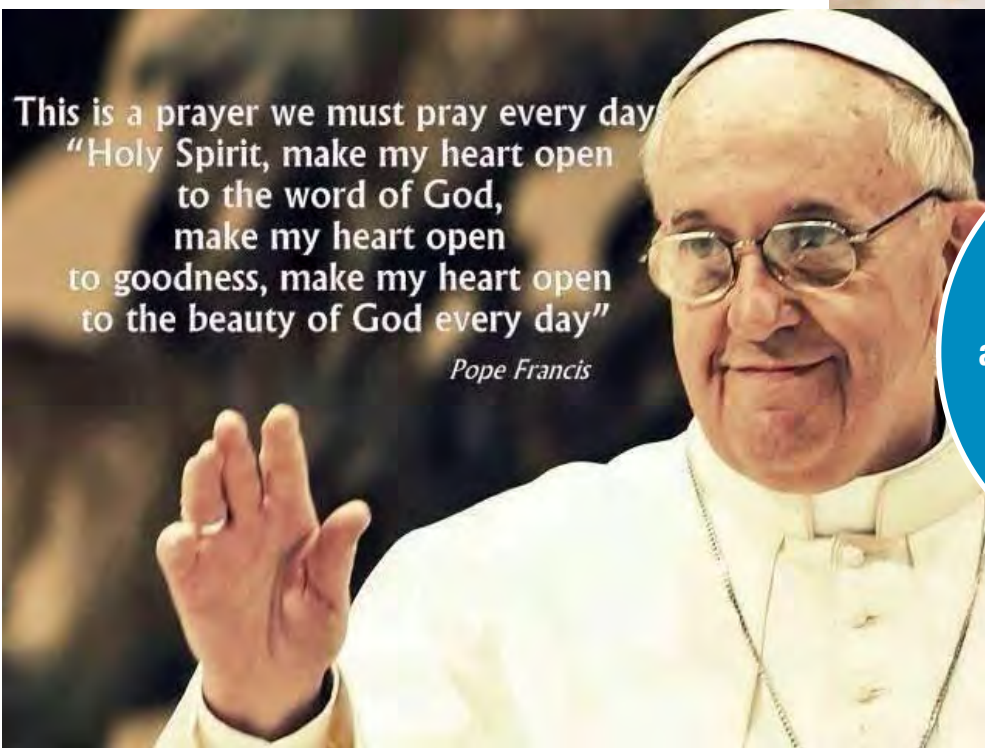
Make copies of chaperone guidelines for each of your participating chaperones.

ADULT SESSION: Parents are Evangelists

Challenging the role of parents in youth ministry

with Doug Tooke

Noon Lunch and 1-3 PM workshop on Saturday, December 5, UC Ballroom on UM Campus



A free training for all adults participating at the JH Rally!

Hear this...

Mom and Dad are supposed to be the #1 ministry influence in their kids lives. How are we doing with that? Doug Tooke will provide a look into the language of the New Evangelization and the incredible map laid out for all of us to become contagious and compelling Catholics! All are welcome to attend!

SCHEDULE

Warning:

This schedule is subject to change. Please be aware that dinner will now be on your own!

SATURDAY, December 5, 2015

8:00 - 10:00 AM	CYC Board set up and Gather
10:00 AM to 10:30 AM	General Arrival/Registration
10:30 AM to 11:00 AM	Worship Band
11:00 AM to 11:45 AM	Session #1 David Casey
11:45 AM to 12:00 PM	Worship Band
12:00 PM to 1:00 PM	Lunch
1:00 PM to 3:00 PM	Adult Training: Parents
1:00 PM to 2:30 PM	Session #2: Gender Sessions
2:30 PM to 3:00 PM	Break
3:00 PM to 4:00 PM	Session #3 David & Youth Keynotes
4:00 PM to 4:45 PM	Break
4:00 PM to 4:45 PM	Mass Prep
5:00 PM to 6:00 PM	Mass at UC Ballroom
6:00 PM to 7:30 PM	Dinner Break
7:30 PM to 9:30 PM	Dance and Celebration!

REGISTRATION

CYC Junior High Rally 20145
PARTICIPANT CONDUCT & MEDICAL CONSENT
RELEASE STATEMENTS
(Required of all participants both youth and adult)

I, the undersigned hereby grant permission for my son/daughter (circle one) to attend and participate in the 2015 diocesan CYC Junior High Rally at the UM UC Ballroom on December 5, 2015. In case of medical emergency, I understand that every effort will be made to contact the parents or guardian of the participant. If necessary, and in the event I cannot be contacted or respond, I hereby grant permission for my self/son/daughter (circle one) to be evaluated, diagnosed, and/or medicated in accordance with standard medical practice by licensed medical personnel. I relieve my parish/school and the Roman Catholic Diocese of Helena of all consequences that may arise as a result of treatment. I will hold harmless and indemnify my parish/school and the Roman Catholic Bishop of Helena, the Diocese of Helena, chaperones, or representatives associated with the 2014 diocesan CYC Junior High Rally from any liability in the event of injury. Furthermore, I agree to accept any and all financial responsibility as a result of scheduling treatment for such injuries. I/my child (circle one) agree/s to abide by all rules and regulations attached to this event. I also understand that if the participant violates any of the rules regarding possession or use of alcohol or other drugs, rules related to activity code of conduct, or

rules governing personal and private property, the participant may be required to leave the activity at the participant's own expense, I understand that the Diocese of Helena will not be held liable if I/my child (circle one) fails to cooperate with such regulations.

Participants also understand and agree that fighting, obscene language, and the use and/or possession of tobacco, alcohol, illegal drugs, and weapons of any kind is not acceptable behavior. If participants should be found in such behavior or in possession of and/or using such substances and/or items, participant also understands that parents/guardians may be notified and that participant may be sent home at participant's own expense. Event directors have the authority to prohibit video camera or other forms of image-recording devices, as appropriate to prevent distractions or to protect against violating the privacy of participants. Violation of this policy may result in confiscation of such equipment for the duration of the Rally, and/or dismissal from said event. By signing this form I understand that a picture of myself/my child and/or work or projects created by myself/my child (e.g. still pictures, motion pictures, audio recording, or video recording, or other reproduction of your/your child's image) may be published by the Catholic Parish, Catholic School, Legendary Lodge, Diocese of Helena, or Foundation for the Diocese of Helena, to advance the mission and purpose of the Catholic Church.

ADULT DIOCESAN POLICY STATEMENT
(Required of all adult participants)

I hereby attest that I have read or been informed of and agree to comply with the provisions of the Diocese of Helena's "Policy Regarding Child Abuse, Sexual Misconduct, and Sexual Harassment," have fulfilled or will enroll in the diocesan VIRTUS® "Protecting God's Children" training prior to the CYC JH Rally, and have submitted to a background check through my parish or Catholic school.



Youth Participant Signature

Adult Participant Signature

Parent/Guardian Signature (if youth participant)

Date

**MAKE CHECK PAYABLE TO
YOUR PARISH.**

PERSONAL & MEDICAL INFORMATION

Please print and fill out completely

NAME:

Address:

City

Zip

Participant Email:

Date of Birth:

Participant Mobile Phone:

Parish/School:

Grade for current school year: 6 7 8

Parent/Guardian full name:

Parent/Guardian cell/emergency phone:

Parent/Guardian email:

HEALTH CONDITIONS/ILLNESS WE SHOULD KNOW ABOUT?

Dietary restrictions or medically prescribed meals?

Specific activities limited by physician?

Peanut Allergy: Yes No

Cost of event \$35 per participant. Parishes may have an additional charge to cover travel. Please return this form and payment to Parish/School before November 30, 2015. After 11/30 registration goes up to \$50!

YOUTH



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youth.ORG



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