

Youth Development Program: LIFE TEEN

Mission Statement: LIFE TEEN is an international Catholic movement that serves the Church by providing resources and faith experiences that help lead teens closer to Christ. This is accomplished through a vibrant Eucharistic spirituality and by creating widespread opportunities for teens to grow in their faith.

Parish Ministries:

The LIFE TEEN program offers structure to a parish's youth ministry. Offering support, valuable resources, and trainings, the *LIFE TEEN Parish Ministries* staff feeds and helps foster life into the constantly changing world, but keeping the views of the Church in its prime. By training thousands of youth ministers, priests, music ministers, CORE members, and parents in the LIFE TEEN model of youth ministry, every element of a church shares the same vision.

Life Teen at Parishes:

1. The LIFE TEEN Mass

At the weekly LIFE TEEN Mass, teens and their families experience the depths of God's love through the Word, the community, and the Eucharist. Relevant preaching and quality music bring the Catholic Mass to life.

2. LIFE Night

Following the LIFE TEEN Mass, trained youth ministers and CORE members lead the teens deeper into their Catholic faith in the LIFE Night experience. As a faith community, the teens grow in understanding of what it means to be young and Catholic in the new millennium. The teens are affirmed, educated, and challenged to live the Gospel.

Camps:

LIFE TEEN offers premier Catholic camping for high school teens and middle-schoolers at three *LIFE TEEN Camps* around the country. Through outdoor adventure and community-building challenges, campers experience Christ in new ways, bringing spirit and joy back to your parish. The week-long camping excursion brings a whole new light on evangelization to your teens.

