

## Practices of Youth Ministry

- Plan to succeed in your ministry with youth by involving the whole community
- Plan for team ministry that utilizes everyone's gifts
- Work toward long-term goals that will build a strong ministry with youth
- Plan seasons of ministry which engage youth and their families with the whole parish community
- Plan for a year's worth of strategic youth ministry efforts. Understand a vision for ministry that includes your whole community

*Join us for the next Certificate in Youth Studies Weekend to network with others working with adolescents, and learn the latest techniques and strategies needed for successful programs.*

### Topic: Practices of Youth Ministry

*Practices of Youth Ministry* explores the development of comprehensive youth ministry through the collaborative sharing of the resources in the community. Rooted in a theological and pastoral vision of community life, this course develops foundational understandings that will assist leaders in setting and implementing a vision for dynamic ministry with youth. This will include skills for advocacy, planning and organizing youth ministry efforts. Methods for collaborative leadership among ministries and within ministry teams will also be developed.

Date: January 10 – 11, 2009

Time: 9:00 a.m. – 6:00 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 10 AND 9:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m. Sunday, Jan. 11, 2009

Place: Aquinas College, 1607 Robinson Rd., Grand Rapids, MI (directions will be sent upon registration.)

Trainer: DON BOUCHER holds a Master of Arts in Pastoral Studies degree from Loyola University in Chicago and a Certificate of Advanced Studies in Youth Ministry from the Center for Ministry Development. He is the Director of Youth Ministry for the Diocese of Springfield in Massachusetts and has extensive experience in leadership training with youth and adults.

Cost:  \$175 Individual (tuition and course materials)

\$325 Parish Team of 2 – 5 participants (includes two sets of course materials and tuition)

***Cancellation fee of \$50.00 will be imposed to all cancellations made 14 days prior to the course date.***

*Please contact Lisa Irwin for information regarding overnight accommodations.*

To Register: Simply complete the registration form below and return it with payment to:

*Youth Ministry Certificate Program  
Diocese of Kalamazoo  
215 North Westnedge Avenue  
Kalamazoo, MI 49007*

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### ***Youth Ministry Certificate***

Please register me for the Youth Ministry Certificate Training Weekend on ***Practices of Youth Ministry***

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Church / School \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City/State/ZIP \_\_\_\_\_

Home Phone (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_ Work Phone (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_

E-Mail: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ Individual registration

\_\_\_\_\_ Group registration

\_\_\_\_\_ This class only

\_\_\_\_\_ Completing all eight courses for a Certificate in Youth Ministry

Attach check payable to the **Diocese of Kalamazoo** for the amount indicated above and ***return to the address above on or before December 10, 2008.***