



NEW MINISTER COHORT

Online cohort for new ministers (faith formation leaders, youth ministers, newly ordained priests, etc.) who are embarking on their first or second year in a parish ministry. Offered during two time slots: 6:30-7:30 am or noon - 1:00 pm on five consecutive Tuesdays: August 26, Sept 2, Sept 9, Sept 16, and Sept 23. **Registration:** <https://forms.office.com/r/csUY25cCnj>



PURPOSE AND EDGE TRAINING

One-day Saturday training from LifeTeen staff. New Purpose and Edge ministers and new faith formation leaders are expected to attend. Returning Edge, Purpose, and faith formation leaders are welcome, as well! Training will be held in Our Lady of Clarion Center on the Immaculate Conception Parish Campus from 9:00a - 3:30p. **Registration:** <https://forms.office.com/r/a1cszDXEbE>



CATECHIST TRAINING: COLLABORATIVE INSERVICE

Sunday training covering topics expected in the annual training for all catechists. Leaders may encourage their catechists to take advantage of this training rather than hosting their own annual mandatory parish training. Offered from 11:00a-2:30p, lunch provided, in three locations: Eastern Vicariate - October 12 Northern Vicariate - October 19 Western Vicariate - October 26. **Registration:** <https://forms.office.com/r/7KstHtBTtw>



CONFIRMATION RETREAT

We welcome Damascus back for a one-day Confirmation retreat, concluded by Mass with Bishop Persico. The retreat will be held at Gannon University, Erie, and will run from 8:30am through 5:00pm. Registrations open August 1 and close on October 31. **Registration:** [Confirmation Retreat 2025](#)



NCYC

The National Catholic Youth Congress is held in Indianapolis, Indiana. More information can be found on the **Diocesan website:** <https://www.eriercd.org/youth/ncyc.html>. Registration and payment deadline is August 31, 2025.



SPIRITUAL MENTORSHIP TRAINING PT I

Full-day, in person Saturday retreat: the first part of Spiritual Mentorship training, where mentors are taken through the same spiritual exercises students will encounter on spiritual mentorship evenings. Full training includes this retreat at Hope House, Union City, as well as attendance at ONE of the online Mentorship practicals offered later in January. Breakfast, lunch, and dinner are provided. **Registration:** <https://forms.office.com/r/a3qHQuebBX>



SMALL GROUP TRAINING

One-day, in-person Sunday training. New small group ministers and new faith formation leaders are expected to attend. Returning small group ministers and faith formation leaders are welcome, as well! Small group training will take place at St. Mark Catholic Center, Erie, from 9:00a - 3:30p. **Registration:** <https://forms.office.com/r/Xq40ZzsAct>



SPIRITUAL MENTORSHIP TRAINING, PART II

This three hour virtual practicum is offered to provide the details and practical aspects of responsible and healthy spiritual mentoring in the context of the mentorship program offered in our diocese. Live participation in ONE of the following options is required to complete mentorship training: Monday, January 12 from 6:00-9:00p or Thursday, January 15 from 6:00-9:00p.



NET MIDDLE SCHOOL RETREATS

NET is a one-day Saturday retreat for middle school students. This year's theme is Created and Claimed. NET Retreats will be offered on two separate Saturdays: February 7 and February 21 in the Northern Vicariate and Western Vicariate. More information about times and locations to follow.



SPIRITUAL FORMATION DAY

A one-day presentation with lunch available for faith formation leaders, ministers, catechists, and interested parishioners. Spiritual formation days will be offered in three locations: in the Eastern Vicariate on Monday, April 13, the Western Vicariate on Tuesday, April 14 and the Northern Vicariate on Wednesday, April 15.