

Acquire the Fire Youth Group



Code of Conduct for members of Youth Ministry

We, as the Youth group of St. Anthony of Padua parish in Fairport Harbor, are expected to act in a way becoming of Jesus Christ, with love for God, neighbor and yourself.

As a member of the youth group, you represent God, your church, your family, friends and yourself. Following these simple standards that not only make us followers of God but it will also teach us to treat the community and creation around us with greater appreciation and joy. By not having to concentrate on the silliness and immaturity of the actions below **WE WILL HAVE A GOOD TIME!!!**

Your Brother in Christ,

Steve Biro, Youth Minister

Acceptable standards of participant behavior include:

I, _____ (your name), will follow these standards of conduct because I represent God, my church, my family, my friends and myself which helps to build up God's Kingdom on earth. I agree to the following: ***Initial next to each point. After carefully and prayerfully reading this code I am responsible for my actions and an active participant in the Body of Christ.***

___ Respecting authority figures: Steve Biro (youth minister), priest(s), religious authority, parish staff, volunteers, teen leaders and parents

___ I will respect the teachings of the Catholic Church: I understand it is ok to ask questions but it must be done with respect)

___ I will not swear, curse, over react that brings unneeded attention to myself, use crude language that embarrasses another person or one of the youth group leaders. I understand this will **NOT** be tolerated and I will need to reflect on my actions before coming to youth group again

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___ I will respect and treat myself with dignity by dressing modestly. I will not wear clothing that is revealing in any way which includes but is **NOT** limited to: low cut shirts/blouses, miniskirts, short shorts, excessive make-up, excessive jewelry, bikinis, tattoos, baggy shorts, clothing with holes or see through clothing

___ I will come to youth group as if I were coming to church and meeting Jesus for the first time (jeans are acceptable as long as they are not skin tight, hanging low or have holes)....these standards are **NOT** limited to this list

___ I understand there can be no inappropriate touching: hitting, pushing, pinching, kissing, kicking or other forms of inappropriate contact, in any way by group members, youth group leaders, volunteers and the youth minister at any time.

___ I will not interrupt others already speaking, I will wait until I am called upon. I understand there will be times for talking and laughing but also times for prayer and silence

___ I understand that cell phones are **NOT** permitted during our meeting times, parents will have the parish phone number to call in case of an emergency

___ I will be supportive of the youth ministry program and if I have questions or problems I will tell Steve Biro or any of the youth leaders if I have a problem with another member

___ I understand there will **NOT** be any sort of bullying in person, by email, Facebook, twitter, texting or any other forms of social media including **ABSOLUTELY NO SEXTING**, these are legal issues now. Actions of this kind **CAN NOT AND WILL NOT** be tolerated

After carefully reading and reflecting on these standards of conduct, I believe I am ready to participate in the St. Anthony of Padua's Youth Ministry program. I understand that I will be expected to act as a loving, thoughtful and caring individual because it is my calling to serve the community I live in.

I understand I will be held to these standards and if I fail to live up to these simple standards there are consequences for my actions, which can result in being asked to leave the Youth Ministry program.

Your name _____ Signature _____
Parent(s) signature _____ Date _____