



## CATHOLIC EDUCATION MINISTRIES

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Dear Parish NCYC Coordinator,

I am inviting you, your high school youth, and adults from your parish(es)/ACC who work with youth, to join us at an exciting 4-day national event that will take place in November of 2025.

This event is known as the National Catholic Youth Conference or NCYC. NCYC is sponsored by the National Federation for Catholic Youth Ministry for youth in grades 9-12. It is held annually in late fall of odd-numbered years in Indianapolis and even-numbered years on the west coast. The next NCYC, **"I Am / Yo Soy,"** is November 20-22, in Indianapolis, Indiana.

Approximately 15,000 youth and adults gathered in 2023. Youth and adults gathered with several US Bishops to celebrate being Catholic. Participants enjoy Mass, prayer services, reconciliation and adoration opportunities, workshops, exhibits, games, music, fellowship, and service.

Hundreds of youth from the Diocese of Saint Cloud have participated in this event in the past. We invite and encourage you and your youth to join us in Indianapolis this fall.

On the back you will find information outlining our trip and the major costs associated with NCYC. Our trip, organized through the Office of Ministry with Youth and Young Adults, includes bus transportation, lodging, NCYC registration fees, diocesan t-shirt, some meals and more. You can learn more about NCYC by visiting the websites below.

I welcome you to contact me for assistance in customizing your trip. Please know that I want to be as flexible as possible in planning this event for you and your parish/ACC. With flexibility in mind and willingness to work with each of you, all registrations for NCYC must still come through our office.

Feel free to contact me with any questions or concerns about NCYC, registration deadlines, and any of your planning efforts. Be sure to visit <https://ncyc.us/future-ncyc/> and <https://stclaudio.org/event/ncyc-2025/> for more info. I look forward to working with you on our trip to Indianapolis.

With you in ministry,

Kent Schmitz

Director for Ministry with Youth and Young Adults

## TRAVEL SCHEDULE

- Wednesday morning, November 19, 2025, leave from various locations in diocese.  
Transportation: Coach Busses - Trobec's Bus Service 12-14 hr. trip one-way  
Arrive in Indianapolis Wednesday evening
- Staying at Hotels - TBD around Indianapolis
- Saturday evening, November 22<sup>nd</sup> depart for Minnesota after closing liturgy.
- Sunday, November 23<sup>rd</sup> arrive back in Minnesota

## COST

Cost of trip \$940.00 each

- Includes: + NCYC Registration Fee  
+ Hotel  
+ Several Meals *Breakfasts- Thursday, Friday, Saturday. Lunch Thursday or Friday. Late supper on Wednesday or box supper on Thursday.* (Please note that the hotel has not been determined so breakfasts will vary depending on which hotel is selected.)  
+ Region 8 - Fee  
+ Coach Bus Transportation  
+ Diocesan T-shirt

Breakdown of Costs:

- \$ 310.00 Event Registration until April 15<sup>th</sup>. \$335 after April 15<sup>th</sup>.
- \$ 250.00 Bus Transportation
- \$ 255.00 Hotel
- \$ 80.00 2-3 Diocesan Group Meals
- \$ 50.00 Shirt, Region fee, administrative
- \$ 940.00 Total until April 15 OR \$965 between April 15 - June 30**

## REGISTRATION SCHEDULE

- By March 1, 2025. Register your group through the enrollment portal <https://forms.gle/DDS4TqyXnCdFrynh9>.
- April 15: Initial Registration (Paper Form found in Copies of Youth Interest Form) & \$310.00 \***non-refundable** down payment per participant due to The Office of Ministry with Youth and Young Adults. After April 15, the deposit will increase to \$335.00.
- June 16, 2025: Second Payment: \$250 due
- August 15, 2025: Third Payment: \$250 due
- September 1, 2025: All payments will be **non-refundable**.
- October 15, 2025: Last Payment: \$130 in addition to permission forms and additional information forms due.

**\*Nonrefundable:** Because these funds are used to purchase nonrefundable registration tickets and make payments for housing, transportation, and food, we are unable to refund participants. We will work with you to see if we can transfer registration fees and other expenses to another participant.