What Is the Diocesan Youth Conference (DYC)?

DYC is an exciting, overnight weekend conference that brings together 8th-grade and high school students from St. Bridget and parishes throughout the Diocese of Richmond. Last year, more than 1,000 students from across the Diocese came together for this incredible experience! Held at the Richmond Convention Center, DYC offers teens a weekend filled with faith, fellowship, worship, and fun as they connect with other young Catholics and grow in their faith.

Weekend Highlights Include:

- **Sacraments:** Mass on both Saturday and Sunday, along with opportunities for Eucharistic Adoration and Reconciliation.
- **Free-Time Activities:** Rock climbing, inflatables, opportunities to connect with college students involved in campus ministry, and more.
- **Breakout Sessions:** Two rounds of engaging talks for teens and adults covering a variety of topics, including dedicated men's and women's sessions.
- **Service Project:** A Saturday afternoon meal-packing project with Rise Against Hunger, giving teens the opportunity to put their faith into action by serving those in need around the world.

For further information, visit the Diocese of Richmond's official webpage: DYC Information – Diocese of Richmond

Important Registration Information

- **Eligibility:** 8th-12th
- **Dates:** February 19–21, 2027
- **Location:** Hilton Hotel and the Greater Richmond Convention Center
- **Early-Bird Registration Deadline:** November 24, 2026, at 11:59 p.m. (Save $50!)
- **Final Registration Deadline:** Monday, January 4, 2027, at 12:00 p.m. (noon).

IMPORTANT - Two Steps Are Required to Complete Registration!

Step 1: Submit Payment.
Select the appropriate registration fee(s) and click SUBMIT to make your payment. The total amount due will appear at the end of the form.

Step 2: Complete and Return the Registration Form(s).
After submitting your payment, you will be directed to a submission page. Please complete the Youth DYC Registration Form above and return it to Madeline McCracken or Patrick Stearman

(via scan/email or hard copy) no later than November 24, 2026, to qualify for the early-bird discount.

- **Youth Registration:** Please see the attached Youth Registration Form for your review.
- **Payment Link:** DYC Payment Form
- **Total Cost:** Cost depends on the number of attendees per room. Please click here for additional details about the base registration fees.
- **Transportation:** Drop-off and carpool arrangements will be coordinated at St. Bridget Catholic Church.
- **Meals & Accommodations:** Meals and accommodations are provided by the Diocese. Additional details will be shared following registration.

We strongly encourage families to take advantage of the $50 early-bird discount by completing registration before November 24.

Parent Volunteers Needed!

We are also looking for adult chaperones to accompany and help supervise our teens throughout the DYC weekend. We specifically need both male and female adult volunteers to help make this experience possible for our teens.

If you are interested in volunteering, please reach out to me or complete the adult registration form attached. We would be incredibly grateful for your time, support, and willingness to serve!

Adult Registration**:** Please see the attached Adult Registration Form for your review.