

Saint Patrick Catholic Church and School Tacoma, Washington

Youth ministry is changing. To actively engage and evangelize youth the minister needs to be present to the youth and needs to enlist the support of the whole community. Youth minister actively engages with youth in our Parish School and Parish programing on a regular (weekly) basis in order to build relationships. Also reaches out to students at public, private and home schools. This is a ministry of presence and lifestyle evangelism.

I. POSITION PURPOSE

To implement the parish's commitment to youth ministry in a comprehensive manner. This includes the following elements: evangelization, community building, spirituality, social action, catechesis, liturgy, guidance, enablement and advocacy. This position requires organization and flexibility and working evenings and weekends. Ideal Candidate will have:

- An engaging, upbeat personality, able to easily and comfortably communicate with young people and with a strong belief in the abilities and goodness of our youth.
- The ability to communicate and work well with adult volunteers, parish priests and staff, school principal and key teaching staff and other community stakeholders.
- Excellent communication skills, organized, and a self starter.

II. MAJOR DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES

- A. Collaborates with the Pastoral Leader, staff, and consultative bodies in implementing the mission of the parish.
- B. Works with Faith Formation Pastoral Associate to develop programs and activities for junior and senior high youth that foster spiritual formation programs for youth. This should include but not be limited to retreats (e.g NET Ministry, Life Teen, or Young Life), religious education, socials, recreational, athletic activities,

outreach programs, youth-oriented liturgies, and community service opportunities. Helps recruit, enable, direct and supervise catechists and other personnel for faith formation programs for junior high and senior high youth. Collaborates with existing programs and leaders (RCIA for children, Confirmation, Religious Ed), including the local Jr. High and High Schools, parochial, public and homeschool to develop and implement religious education opportunities.

- C. Coordinates evangelization outreach programs for youth.
- D. Develops and administers the youth budget as delegated by the pastoral leader.
- E. Collaborates with the Office of Youth and Young Adult Evangelization <u>www.oyyae.org</u>.
- F. Maintains a current level of knowledge and skills required to function as Pastoral Assistant through reading appropriate materials and attending workshops and conventions.
- G. Collaborates with neighboring parish(s), e.g. St. Rita, as ministry needs arise.
- H. Participates in regional Archdiocesan and national organizations as approved and appropriate, including but not limited to: High School Convention, Jr. High Rally, the 300 and 4US, Ignite your Torch and Steubenville NW.

Send letter of interest and resume to: St. Patrick Parish % Kim Ward, Pastoral Associate for Faith Formation 1001 N. J. Street Tacoma, WA 98403 <u>kward@saintpats.org</u> 253-383-2783 ext. 4108 Position open until filled. Salary: \$25,000 - \$35,000 depending on experience and ability. Full benefits. 5-11-17