DATE: July 2018  
FROM: Christian R. González, Communications Office  
TO: Parish staff  
RE: Enclosed material from diocesan offices

The Monthly Mailing is now available in a primarily digital format. Only files that cannot be posted to the diocesan website for copyright or security reasons or unique items such as prayer cards will be mailed to parishes. Parishes are expected download all other items. The last column on this form has changed to “Format,” which will indicate whether an item is download-only or will be mailed.

http://www.austindiocese.org/offices-ministries/offices/communications-office/monthly-mailing

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A gathering for those working in youth ministry who have been in their current position for three years or less.

AUGUST 23, 2018
10 A.M. - 12 P.M.
Diocese of Austin Pastoral Center
6225 Hwy 290 E
Austin, TX 78723

RSVP to Elizabeth Lagoe
elizabeth-lagoe@austindiocese.org

OTHER UPCOMING EVENTS:

9.13.18 Youth Ministry Summit
10.10.18 Youth Ministry Essentials Courses
& 10.17.18 Essentials Courses
A new coalition of parishes and organizations in the Diocese of Austin who are committed to a shared goal of increasing engagement with the young adult population through their own unique ministries.

THE FRANCIS NETWORK ALLOWS PARISHES AND ORGANIZATIONS TO:
- Expand their reach and impact to support their efforts with young adults
- Celebrate their unique identity and mission
- Grow and improve their network of relationships

THE FRANCIS NETWORK ALLOWS YOUNG ADULTS TO:
- Be empowered in peer ministry at the parish or organization level
- Find hospitality in a parish home where they can develop or strengthen a relationship with Jesus Christ

THE FRANCIS NETWORK ALLOWS THE DIOCESE TO:
- Advocate more knowledgeably for the gifts and needs of young adults
- Foster sustainable responses to the needs of young adults
- Support young adult ministry leaders

UPCOMING EVENTS
September 29, 2018
Young Adult Day of Reflection

FRANCIS NETWORK MEETINGS
October 24, 2018
January 30, 2019
May 22, 2019
September 25, 2019

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...enter fully into the fabric of society, sharing the lives of all, listening to their concerns, helping them materially and spiritually in their needs, rejoicing with those who rejoice, weeping with those who weep; arm in arm with others, we are committed to building a new world.

Pope Francis, The Joy of the Gospel
The Annual Co-ed High School Softball Tournament builds community through fun and fellowship among the youth of our diocese.

**Date:** July 29, 2018

**Location:** Krieg Softball Complex, Austin

**Cost:** $175 per team: Each parish is allowed to have a maximum of two teams

**Space is limited to 12 teams**

**Checks Payable to:** Diocese of Austin  
**Mail to:** Diocese of Austin  
Attn: YYACM Softball  
6225 Highway 290 East  
Austin, TX 78723

To register, fill out the form at [austindiocese.org/softball](http://austindiocese.org/softball). Each parish is limited to two teams. **Space is limited to 12 teams. Your spot in the tournament will not be secured until payment is received. If you are registering two teams, please fill out the form two separate times. Registration will close July 9, 2018.**

Tournament details: The tournament will start with each team playing 2 games against randomly drawn opponents. After all teams have completed both games, we will seed teams 1 through 12 based on overall record and run differential. Any ties in seeding will be determined by a coin flip. We will then play a single elimination tourney to determine the overall champion. Depending on the number of tournament teams some of the higher seeds may receive a bye. Home and visitor status throughout the tournament will be determined by the higher seed always being the home team (ie. If the 2 seed and 6 seed play, the 2 seed will be “Home” and the 6 seed will be “Visitors.”)

For more information, call (512) 949-2464 or email elizabeth-lagoe@austindiocese.org.
SEPTEMBER 29, 2018
9 A.M. – 2 P.M.

Young Adult
DAY OF REFLECTION

PRAYER
DIALOGUE
MISSION

For young adults between the ages of 18-39

MORE INFO AND REGISTRATION AT
AUSTINDIOCESE.ORG/YOUNGADULT
Youth in Action, or Jovenes en Acción, is a training program for those working in pastoral juvenil. This program will equip leaders to encourage young people to put their faith into action. The course is for adults working with Latino middle and high school students or young adults. It requires participation in 2 in-person classes and 4 “on your own” sessions. All sessions will be given in Spanish. Space is limited.

www.austindiocese.org/agentes-de-pastoral-juvenil

CLASSES:
AUG. 4 & SEP. 15 2018
9 A.M. - 4 P.M.

4 "ON YOUR OWN" SESSIONS IN AUGUST:
1 SESSION PER WEEK

COST:
$40/PERSON

WE RECOMMEND THAT AT LEAST TWO PEOPLE FROM YOUR PARISH TEAM ATTEND THIS TRAINING PROGRAM.

For more information:
Angie Marino
Coordinator of Pastoral Juvenil
(512) 949-2466
angie-marino@austindiocese.org
PASTORAL STAFF

Aug. 22: Embracing Transitions in Our Lives (Parish Staff)
The Embracing Transitions in our Lives Retreat for Parish Staff will be offered at Cedarbrake Catholic Retreat Center in Belton on Aug. 22 from 9 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. Change is inevitable, it is also difficult to accept, and that is why it’s important to take time to “sit with, talk about, and grieve the change.” The one constant thing in our lives is God’s love for us that never changes. We invite parish staff to come together, process whatever changes are happening, so that they can continue the work entrusted to you in a much more productive way. The special price of $20 includes lunch.

INSTITUTE FOR SPIRITUAL DIRECTION

We begin training for our next Institute for Spiritual Direction class. Potential candidates should be directed to www.cedarbrake.org. Classes begin January 2019 and continue until August 2019. The second year begins January 2020 and ends with graduation in August 2020. Contact Beverly Collin at (254) 780-2436, for more information.