

Code of Conduct
Our Lady of Sorrow and St. Joseph's Youth Ministry

As a participant in the Youth Ministry program, I understand and agree to the following:

- I will respect myself, other people, other people's property, and the church property.
- I will be an encourager, not one who ridicules, makes fun of, or criticizes.
- I will deal peacefully with anger and disagreements.
- I will participate and contribute in a positive way in all group activities and obey the instructions of the youth ministry staff.
- I will use language that reflects a Christian attitude. I will not use curse words or other foul language.
- I will maintain my witness by keeping my hands to myself: no tickling, wrestling, piggyback rides or inappropriate touching (which means: do not touch anyone anywhere that a bathing suit would cover). Physical displays of affection such as kissing, full body hugs, sitting on laps, and lying or sleeping next to each other are inappropriate. Being isolated or alone with another student is not allowed.
- I will wear modest clothing that is not suggestive, spiritually degrading, or encourages illegal actions (ie underage drinking, drugs, etc). For swimming activities, ladies are required to wear modest one piece bathing suits or modest tankinis, guys—no Speedos.
- I will not use cell phones, iPods, cameras or other personal electronic or entertainment devices during activities and services unless authorized by chaperons.
- I will stay with the group at all times. For example, if we are having a meeting in the parish center, I will not leave the parish center. If we are on a trip, I will stay with the group or in a small group of no less than three (if instructed to do so).
- I will not leave any activity, service, or trip before its published ending time without approval from a parent or guardian "in person" or by phone.
- I will not possess a gun, long blade knife, or any other weapon at any youth ministry activity at the church or away.
- I will not use, possess or be under the influence of alcohol, tobacco, marijuana or other illegal drugs at any youth ministry activity.

I have read the Youth Ministry Discipline Policy and the Code of Conduct and agree to abide them.

(Student Signature)

(Date)

(Parent/Guardian Signature)

(Date)