



## Archdiocese of Indianapolis HOMELAND MISSION PROJECT July 5-10, 2009

The **Archdiocesan Homeland Mission Project** is for anyone entering their freshman through senior year of High School. It is an opportunity for the young people to spend a week in our own community serving those in need. The Goal of the week is that the young people see Christ in those they serve, and that those they serve, see Christ in them.

Each day starts with prayer, and then they board their van which will take them to their work site for the day. In the late afternoon there is time for free time, personal reflection, Mass and social activities. In previous years, works sites have included: Missionaries of Charity Day Camp, Homeless Initiative Mission, St. Elizabeth Coleman, Cathedral Soup Kitchen and A Caring Place.

Arrival, registration & check-in time is **6:00 pm on Sunday, July 5, 2009** at St. Bernadette Parish which is at 4838 Fletcher Ave., Indianapolis, IN. Please note that we will NOT be serving an evening meal, so please be sure to eat dinner prior to arrival. There will be a brief parent meeting that should conclude by 7:30 PM. The closing Mass and commissioning is at **3:30 PM on Friday, July 10, 2009** and parents and family are welcome to attend.

### Some frequently asked questions:

- Q. How do I register?  
A. Complete the Registration form & Parental Permission & Code of Conduct form. Forms must be turned into your Youth Minister so that our Archdiocesan office receives them by **June 18, 2009** or you may mail them directly to the Archdiocesan office.
- Q. How much does it cost and is there any financial assistance available?  
A. **The cost is \$150** and checks can be made payable to "Archdiocese of Indianapolis". Funds are for retreat facility and all meals throughout the week. There is a limited amount of financial resources available. *Please ask your Youth Minister for the Archdiocesan Scholarship Application if you would like to apply for assistance.*
- Q. Can the participant drive him/herself to the event?  
A. We ask that the participants please do not drive themselves to the event.
- Q. Can the participant keep his/her cell phone in an emergency?  
A. We ask that the participant not bring a cell phone. In an emergency, there is a phone for the participant to use. If the family needs to contact the participant, they can call St. Bernadette Parish at 317-356-5867.
- Q. What if the participant needs medication?  
A. All medication (prescription and non-prescription) should be in the original container clearly labeled *with a completed **Archdiocesan Participant Medication Information*** form and turned in at registration for security reasons. The staff does not stock over-the-counter medications.
- Q. What if the participant has special physical, emotional or dietary needs?  
A. Please indicate on the registration form and contact our office **PRIOR** to the retreat.
- Q. What if the participant is going to be late or cannot stay for the whole week?  
A. ***We ask the participant to make this a commitment.*** It is very disruptive to the agenda when youth arrive late or come and go during the week. This is an overnight mission and participants are expected to stay for the entire event.

If there is an emergency situation, please contact our staff as soon as possible.

Additional Questions? Contact your Youth Minister at your parish or Kay Scoville, Director at 317-236-1477 or 1-800-382-9836 ext. 1477 or [kscoville@archindy.org](mailto:kscoville@archindy.org).

**Youth Registration**  
**HOME LAND MISSION INDIANAPOLIS, IN JULY 5-10 2009**  
**Cost \$150**

<b>1. Participant Information</b>			
Name (Printed): _____		Phone: _____	
Address: _____		City: _____	ZIP: _____
Email: _____	1 <sup>st</sup> Mission experience?	Yes	No
Date of Birth: _____	T-shirt Size (Circle One) S M L XL 2XL 3XL		
Sex (Circle One) Male Female	Age: _____	Grade: _____	School: _____
Parish: _____		Deanery: _____	
Allergies and/or Medical Condition: _____			

**2. Insurance Information: (Both lines MUST be completed.)**

Family Health Insurance Company:
Policy Number:

**3. Medication Information:** If prescription and/or non-prescription medications are needed, please send them with your child in a zip-lock labeled bag with a completed **Archdiocesan Participant Medication Information** form.

**4. Vaccination reminder:** All vaccinations should be up-to-date, especially Tetanus booster.

**5. Participant & Parental Consent:**

I grant **permission for my child to participate** in the Home Land Mission. I will not hold the Archdiocese of Indianapolis or St. Bernadette Catholic Church and Retreat Center responsible in the event of any injury or accident to my son or daughter while participating in the Home Land Mission, and/or traveling to and from the worksites. I warrant that, to the best of my knowledge, my child is in good health and able to participate in all program activities. (Please submit a statement indicating limitations and/or conditions of which we should be aware.)

I agree that **my child shall abide by the Home Land Mission Code of Conduct**. I have reviewed and discussed the Code with my child prior to signing this form. I agree that if my child fails to abide by the Code or engages in a serious infraction of the Code, he or she may be immediately dismissed from the Mission with no refund, and sent home at my expense. I agree to my child's participation in the Home Land Mission.

I understand that all **medication will remain in the possession of the adult team leader (exception: inhaler)** and be dispensed as prescribed. Please note that non-prescription medication (such as Tylenol, throat lozenges, cough syrup) will not be available to your child unless you provide them for your child. **In case of medical emergency**, I understand that every effort will be made to contact parents or guardian of participants. In the event that I cannot be reached, I hereby give permission to the Mission program director to seek treatment for my son/daughter. I hereby give permission to the medical staff to hospitalize, secure proper treatment for, and to order injection, anesthesia, or surgery for my child.

I understand that my child may be photographed, unidentified in group situations; and I hereby grant permission for my child to be photographed & identified for releases to *The Criterion* and/or Archdiocesan website and/or other promotions.

Parent/Guardian Signature: _____	Date: _____
Name: _____	
(Printed) _____	
Phone: _____	

**Youth Participant:** I understand and agree to the Home Land Mission Code of Conduct and that my Parent or guardian will be notified at the time of any infractions requiring my dismissal from the program, and that I will be sent home at my own expense.

Youth Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

<p><b>Return form &amp; money to your youth minister to meet the parish deadline or mail by June 18, 2009 to:</b></p> <p style="text-align: center;"> <b>Youth Ministry/OCE</b>  <b>Homeland Mission Project</b>  <b>1400 N. Meridian St.</b>  <b>Indianapolis, IN 46202</b> </p>
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# Home Land Mission Indianapolis, IN July 5-10, 2009

## YOUTH Packing List & Code of Conduct

### What TO Bring for the Mission:

- ✓ *Bed linens/ Sleeping bag/pillow (mattresses will be provided)*
- ✓ *Towels*
- ✓ Toiletries (shower supplies & toothbrush)
- ✓ Medication in original container; clearly labeled with name & directions; enclosed in a zip-lock bag; with COMPLETED Archdiocesan Participant Medication Information form
- ✓ Sunscreen and bug spray
- ✓ *Comfortable change of clothes for 5 days (old clothes that might get very dirty tattered or torn)*  
Shorts must be fingertip length when one stands with arms hanging at their sides.  
Bring at least one pair of pants. The shorts & pants must not sag. A belt will be provided if they do.  
No halter tops, tank tops, or sleeveless shirts are allowed. Bring at least one long sleeved shirt.  
Shoes should be closed-toe work shoes or boots.  
Comfortable clothes for free time (athletic shoes, shorts etc.)
- ✓ Modest sleeping attire & Modest swimsuit (Girls no 2-piece swimsuits that reveal midriff)
- ✓ Work gloves
- ✓ Optional fan
- ✓ (1) Snack to share if your **LAST NAME begins with A-H:** Sweet treat (bag of fruit, candy, cookies etc.)  
**I-P:** Salty treat (bag potato chips, pretzels etc.)  
**Q-Z:** Drinks (cans of soda pop, Gatorade, etc.)

### What NOT to bring

- ✓ *Cell Phones-group leaders will have phones and contact information*  
(Group leader cell phones will be distributed to all parents/guardians at check-in)
- ✓ Radio, Video Games, DVD players etc.

### To help insure that participants have a good, safe time, the following Code of Conduct will be in effect during the Home Land Mission.

1. Participants are expected to partake in assigned activities and wear their name tags during all program activities.
2. Dress during the mission trip is casual. Jeans, T-shirts, etc., are fine. Clothing with offensive or obscene words, pictures, symbols, etc. is not acceptable. Shirts and shoes must be worn at all sessions and meals. No halter tops, tank tops or sleeveless shirts are allowed. Shorts length must be appropriate (when a person is standing straight with arms hanging to side, shorts must meet or pass their fingertips). Pants must not sag, or a belt will be provided.
3. Language and conduct should reflect the values we proclaim as Catholics.
4. Participants are to remain with their group at all times during the mission unless accompanied by adult chaperones.
5. Socializing will take place only in the designated common areas of the retreat center. No visiting is allowed in sleeping areas occupied by members of the opposite sex. Dormitory area will be a quiet area – no talking, socializing, etc. As a participant, you are allowed only in the area you have been assigned.
6. Each day will be a long and busy one -- making adequate sleep a necessity. Participants must be in their respective rooms by curfew. The noise level in the sleeping areas should be kept at a minimum. Scheduled quiet and silent times must be honored. Only the Directors can alter curfew times or the timing of any other scheduled activity.
7. Smoking and the use of tobacco products is not allowed by any participants during the mission trip. Violation of this rule will result in immediate dismissal from the mission.
8. The possession or use of alcohol, illegal drugs or weapons will not be tolerated. Breaking this rule will mean immediate dismissal from the mission. (Parents will be called, regardless of the hour.)
9. The possession and use of cell phones/pagers is prohibited (see below). You may bring iPods for bedtime; however, the Archdiocese is not responsible for lost or stolen items.
10. No food and/or drinks are allowed in the sleeping area.

**\*Check-in opens at 6:00 PM on Sunday, July 5, 2009. Dinner WILL NOT be served.**