

The **Office of Youth and Young Adult Ministry** seeks, first and foremost, to provide opportunities for youth and young adults in the Diocese of New Ulm to encounter Jesus. It does this chiefly through the various programs and events it offers, such as:

- ***The Broom Tree Retreat*** is a retreat for high school youth who desire to “go deeper” in their relationship with Christ. This Spring retreat provides ample time for prayer and silence, but also balances it with games and social time.
- ***Camp Beloved and Camp Greatness*** are girls’ and boys’ (respectively) summer camps hosted by the Diocese at Schoenstatt-on-the-Lake in Sleepy Eye. The camps are full of games, talks, daily Mass and adoration, social time, and memories. Both camps have a middle school version and high school version.
- ***COR Night*** is an evening of games, a speaker, discussion, food, and adoration of the Blessed Sacrament hosted by the youth of COR for all of the youth and young adults of the Diocese. These happen three times throughout the school year.
- ***COR*** is a diocesan youth group which meets regularly throughout the year in order to experience Christian fellowship, grow intellectually and spiritually, and develop the human virtues. They assist at COR Night through the various teams which they participate in: Choir, Outreach, and Reception. These youth seek a deep relationship with Christ and are offered the tools and direction necessary for that.
- ***National Catholic Youth Conference*** happens every other year in Indianapolis and attracts thousands of youth from across the country. The Office of Youth and Young Adult Ministry provides support to parishes intending to go.
- ***NET Ministries*** offers retreats within the Diocese of New Ulm. A team of young adults puts on retreats for middle school and high school students and stays at host homes in our small towns. The Office of Youth & Young Adult Ministry offers support to parishes hoping to host a retreat.
- ***Totus Tuus*** is a summer catechetical program for grades 1-12. The program features multiple teams of four young adults (two men, two women) who travel around the Diocese providing a catechetical day program for elementary students and a youth ministry evening program for middle and high school students. The team stays with host homes in our small towns and bring life and energy into our parishes.
- ***Young adult ministry*** is offered primarily through the in-depth training and constant interaction with the Totus Tuus missionaries (young adults). Services are also provided for student outreach through the Newman Connection, personal support from the diocesan director, and any other support needed to help young adult groups flourish.
- ***Parish support*** is offered by providing resources, answers to questions, frequent deanery meetings for those who work with children, and programs to those who work with youth in the parishes.