

"Providing Moments of Encounter to Awaken and Strengthen Young People's Relationship with Christ"

Letter from the Executive Director

Another conference season has come and gone, but not without lasting impact on the hearts of over 5,300 teens, their chaperones and 400 plus volunteers. My heart is filled with gratitude for all the good and beautiful things God has done. Each one of His beloved sons and daughters were "made new". This newness in Christ can look very different from person to person, but God promised us in Revelations 5:21 "Behold, I make all things new". We are new creations because of His love for us!! I am grateful for each teen who said "yes" to come to one of our Steubenville Youth Conferences this summer. May the seeds of grace that you received continue to grow and blossom in your heart and soul! May you be bold in living out your unique call to be the light of Christ to others.

Thank you to all the group leaders; your tireless work and dedication to young people does not go unnoticed! Thank you chaperones; without your vigilant eye and masterful unpacking in small group discussions the conference would not have been as rich of an experience as it was. Thank you (Arch) bishops for your support and presence. Thank you priests, who offered hours of the Lord's mercy through the Sacrament of Reconciliation. Thank you volunteers, who prepared for months and served with joyful hearts each weekend.

Thank you donors; your financial contribution makes these opportunities available and every one of your dollars made a difference in the greater Church. Thank you to the grandma who purchased a plate of cookies at the youth group bake sale, to the bus driver who donated his time, to the parent who sacrificed something for themselves so their son or daughter could attend, to our monthly sustaining donors and those who choose to make donations large and small. We strive daily to use your dollars wisely.

Amy Cummings

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2017 CONFERENCE HIGHLIGHTS

TOTAL ATTENDEES

5313

FRANCISCAN LEAD
PARTICIPANTS

71

CONFESSIONS

3500

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700

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"Steubenville offers a great opportunity to go and be with thousands of Catholic youth that love Jesus and are striving to be on the same path as you are... Striving to live out their faith radically."

Benjamin - Clear Water, MN

I am the father of seven wonderful kids and three of my teens had the opportunity to join a group attending a Steubenville Youth conference. Their experience was so positive that my normally somewhat reserved son (who was fourteen at the time and had not been entirely convinced that attending a three-day conference away from home was a great idea) greeted me as we picked them up at the end of the conference with an excited exhortation of "this was the greatest experience of my life....you have to come back with us next year as a leader, Dad." I was fortunate to be able to do just that and found that the combination of practical spiritual instruction, wonderful music, fun activities, beautiful sacramental encounters, etc. created an experience even beyond what they'd said it would be. Five of my crew will be returning for more this summer!



Mike Regnier - Prescott, WI



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Our youth today have a faithfulness that is astounding. The opportunities that they have to become "Followers of Christ" are many, and one such opportunity is going to the Steubenville Youth Conference.

My daughter went to Steubenville for the first time in 2016. When I asked her to describe her Steubenville experience, I never expected to hear her say "LIFE CHANGING". She told me she was no longer going through the motions of her faith and being Catholic is no longer simply a way to describe her religion because now it is who she is.



Since Steubenville, I have seen her be more forgiving, pray more, go to adoration on her own, participate in more youth ministry activities and make Mass a priority. She has also joined a Discipleship Training group and wants to become a Peer Minister. I truly believe that Steubenville was a critical turning point in her life.

Michelle Meschke - Lakeville, MN

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ADVENTURE THAT CAN HAPPEN TO YOU
IS THE PERSONAL MEETING WITH JESUS,
WHO IS THE ONLY ONE WHO GIVES REAL
MEANING TO OUR LIVES."**

ST. POPE JOHN PAUL II

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