

Transformational Catholic Events for Young People



Rise Up TWIN CITIES

New PFY Middle School Conference Rise Up Twin Cities to be held in March of 2019

UPCOMING EVENTS

**STEUBENVILLE
ROCHESTER**

July 13-15, 2018

**STEUBENVILLE
ON THE LAKE**

July 20-22, 2018

**STEUBENVILLE
ST. PAUL**

July 27-29, 2018

**Rise Up
TWIN CITIES**

March 2019

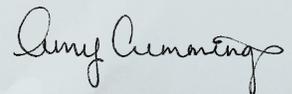
The summer conference season is almost here, and the electricity and excitement is tangible in our office. I love this time of the year! The fruits of our labors will culminate with three dynamic Steubenville Youth Conference weekends, where lives will be transformed, teens and adults alike will be invited into a deeper encounter with Christ!! Hundreds of volunteers will come to humbly serve as the hands and feet of Our Lord. Our PFY family of staff, bishops, priests, religious, speakers, youth ministers, chaperones, parents, and volunteers gather together rooted in the Eucharist and Sacraments to awaken and strengthen young people in their relationship with Christ.

I'm also excited to announce a new initiative!! The Holy Spirit is working in powerful and amazing ways through our efforts here at PFY!! We have been called to minister in a greater way to middle school youth. According to research from CARA (Center for Applied Research in the Apostolate), the average age of people leaving the Church is 13! This is why we will be launching our first middle school conference called "RISE UP TWIN CITIES" in March of 2019.

We invite you to join us with your prayers to reach 11-14 year olds in this critical time of their faith walk. As Psalm 37:5 says, "Commit to the Lord your way, trust in him, and he will act." We trust that the Lord is leading us to this new event and that He will act to keep the faith alive in the hearts and souls of middle school youth. The Holy Spirit is powerful and mighty!

Thank you for being a partner with us in providing Transformational Catholic Events for Young People, events in which each person is invited into a personal encounter with Christ. Your prayers and financial support make this possible! Thank you!

In Christ,



Amy Cummings | Executive Director



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John - Prescott, WI

It's pretty much impossible to go to a Steubenville Conference and come back the same person. I certainly didn't. Although I was very blessed to have grown up in a strong Catholic family, as a young teenager I compartmentalized my faith. God received His time on Sundays, but the rest of the week was mine. That changed when I went to my first Steubenville Conference. Throughout the weekend, every guard I had was torn down. Then I was brought face to face with Jesus Christ in Adoration, and I knew my world had to change. I realized in that moment that Jesus either had to mean everything to me, or He would mean nothing to me.

With His grace, I chose to make God my everything, and that choice influenced my future. I stopped asking "What do I want to do with my life?" and started asking "What does God want me to do with my life?" And I finally stopped running from where I knew God wanted me to be and applied to seminary. There were a lot of unknowns when I took the step, and there still are some unanswered questions, but with Steubenville's help, I've encountered a God whom I can trust. He doesn't give me all the answers, but when I've focused on Him and taken a step into the unknown, He has worked everything out so much better than I could have. I'm very grateful for the part Steubenville Conferences played in my decision to follow Christ, and I look forward to attending another conference this summer.

-John

A Prayer for Vocations

Heavenly Father, Bless your Church with an abundance of holy and zealous priests, deacons, brothers, and sisters. Give those you have called to the married state and those you have chosen to live as single persons in the world, the special graces that their lives require. Form us all in the likeness of Your Son, so that in Him, with Him, and through Him, we may love you more deeply and serve you more faithfully, always and everywhere. With Mary we ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen.

ACCORDING TO THE CARA STUDY, IN 2016:



21%

of religious who took final vows

17%

of priests ordained



credited a Steubenville Youth Conference with positively influencing their decision to become a priest or religious.



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