

DIOCESE OF GARY

NCYC Pilgrimage Information **NOVEMBER 20-22, 2025**

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What is NCYC?

The National Catholic Youth Conference is an exciting, three-day experience of prayer, community, and empowerment for high schoolers who are Catholic and those that walk with them. Catholic young people and their chaperones—youth ministers, campus ministers, parents, catechists, priests, coaches, and scout leaders—come together to pray, learn, and grow in their faith. In addition to opportunities to receive the sacraments of the Eucharist and penance, NCYC participants attend general and breakout sessions on topics relevant to living as a disciple of Christ in today's world, visit with organizations that provide resources and other support to youth and youth ministry, spend time in personal and communal prayer, and engage in service to others. Teens are part of an enormous community of peers who love Jesus and their Catholic faith and aren't afraid to show it! Teens and youth leaders can together harness the experience and bring it back to their parishes!

The Youth Ministry efforts of the Diocese of Gary Office for Missionary Discipleship and Evangelization will coordinate a trip to NCYC 2025, which will be held November 20-22, 2025 right down the road in INDIANAPOLIS!

As per the event organizer, NFCYM (National Federation for Catholic Youth Ministry), all registration is handled by one central office. Therefore, the Office of Missionary Discipleship and Evangelization (OMDE) will coordinate the diocesan delegation and serve as travel agent. Once we are in Indy, however, group leaders should think of NCYC as any other parish event for which they are in charge. In Indy, OMDE's job is to handle hotel problems, diocesan gatherings, and keep you posted with any info NFCYM wishes to pass along.

NCYC is an unbelievable event that will help your ministry grow as you experience a sense of BIG CHURCH! NCYC is the largest regular gathering of Catholic youth in the country.

The 2025 theme is "I Am | Yo Soy"

Who should go to NCYC?

NCYC is intended for Catholic teenagers in high school (for the 2023/2024 school year), accompanied by chaperones, to experience and encounter Christ.

Chaperones may include:

- · Youth Ministers
- Priests
- Deacons
- Religious Men and Women
- · Campus Ministers
- Parish Leaders
- Parents
- Religious Educators

Can someone who is not Catholic attend NCYC?

YES! NCYC is a wonderful place for someone who is not Catholic to encounter the Catholic faith for the first time. It is also a great place for students going through the OCIA or who are discerning becoming Catholic, as it is a place where they can learn more about their faith. Group leaders might need to help explain what is going on to those teens and they should explain to parents that this is a Catholic event.

What does a group leader do?

Group leaders are safe-environment trained adults who coordinate the NCYC trip for their parish or school. They are the lead contact for their parish/school. They stay in communication with the diocesan coordinator for youth and young adult ministry, registers their participants, ensures payment is completed, and shares information about NCYC with their participants. While a group leader might have a team of people working with them, only one person should be listed as the designated group leader. If that's you, please reach out to Vicky Hathaway at vhathaway@dcgary.org!

If I have questions about NCYC, who should I contact?

Please reach out to Vicky Hathaway, Coordinator for Youth and Young Adult Ministry for the Office of Missionary Discipleship and Evangelization (OMDE) at the Diocese of Gary.

vhathaway@dcgary.org 219-769-9292 ext 88229

NCYC Diocesan Package and Registration Instructions

Diocese of Gary NCYC Package and Hotel Details

The OMDE NCYC package is comprised of three parts: NCYC ticket, hotel cost, and diocesan registration fee.

The final per-person package cost for the Diocese of Gary delegation will be confirmed once we receive our hotel room assignment, expected in late 2024. We are requesting accommodations at the SpringHill Suites Indianapolis Downtown (601 West Washington Street), where we stayed during the previous NCYC in Indianapolis. This hotel is within walking distance of the Indianapolis Convention Center and Lucas Oil Stadium. It offers a full hot breakfast buffet included in the room price, helping to simplify meals and reduce costs. Each room can accommodate up to 5 teens (at the group leader's discretion), which can further reduce hotel expenses. We should receive confirmation on our hotel placement shortly after submitting our request.

How much does NCYC cost and how can my group purchase tickets?

Registering your group through the diocese provides access to the lowest ticket prices and discounted hotel rates. Details on registration are outlined in this guidebook.

The cost per person for NCYC varies because OMDE bills groups separately for registration and hotel accommodations. Ticket prices also increase over the year. OMDE calculates a per-person hotel rate based on the number of people in each room. For a detailed cost breakdown, refer to the "Preliminary Diocesan Cost Breakdown of NCYC 2025" sheet. To help keep costs low, OMDE will secure 100 tickets at the earliest registration rate, based on attendance estimates from previous years. These discounted tickets will be available on a first-come, first-served basis.

NCYC Tickets

NFCYM, the organization behind NCYC, sets a tiered pricing schedule that increases throughout the year. As the Diocese of Gary is a member of NFCYM, we can purchase tickets at the lowest available price. OMDE will purchase 100 tickets when registration opens, based on past attendance, to ensure that the first 100 tickets requested by groups are secured at the lowest price.

For a step-by-step guide on how group leaders can purchase tickets, please see the following pages. Please note that NCYC does not offer single-day passes.

How to register your group for NCYC:

- 1. Group leaders should have their participants—teens, adults, and clergy—complete the "Registration Information Collection Form."
- 2. Group leaders should then collect completed forms. Group leaders are able to set their own deadlines for the forms.
- 3. Once collected, the group leader only should input the information for each participant from the "Registration Information Collection Forms" here:

https://tinyurl.com/GaryNCYCReg25

- a. Group leaders do not need to turn in the paper "Registration Information Collection Form" to the OMDE. They may keep those documents for their records.
- 4. Once registrations are complete, the group leader will receive an invoice for the tickets requested based on the number of people they registered. The first 100 tickets claimed by group leaders are guaranteed to be \$285 a piece. If further requests are made while still within the first tier of ticket pricing, the price will remain \$285. After that, the ticket price will follow NFCYM's tier schedule. Ticket prices for both youth and adults are the same, and the tiers are as follows:
 - a.\$285 until December 31, 2024
 - b.\$310 starting January 1, 2025
 - c.\$335 starting May 1, 2025
 - d.\$360 starting September 1, 2025
 - e.\$410 starting October 16, 2025
- 5. Group leaders will have three months to submit payment from when the invoice is issued. If payment is not received within that time frame, we may not be able to hold your tickets. For requests made after August 1, 2025, payment will be due within 10 days.
- 6. To submit a payment, parishes or schools should collect any money from participants or fundraisers and then have the parish or school write a check, payable to "Diocese of Gary" with "NCYC 2025" in the memo. The check should be mailed or dropped off at the Diocesan Pastoral Center (9292 Broadway, Merrillville, IN 46410), attention Vicky Hathaway. If a parish wishes to make an online payment, please speak with Vicky.
- 7. If a group applies for scholarships from NFCYM, please inform Vicky ASAP. Invoices might need to be adjusted if they receive the scholarship.
- 8. Group leaders can add additional registrations at any time pending ticket availability and hotel room availability.
- 9. The OMDE cannot offer refunds on tickets purchased. If a group cannot find a use for a registration, they are free to sell them to the groups in need of tickets.
- 10. Payment for housing and the diocesan registration fee will be invoiced after NCYC is completed.
- 11. Groups should be finalized by September 26, 2025. Final numbers for housing are typically due in October.
- 12. **Registrations will close on November 1 or when there are no more hotel**4 **rooms.** For any questions or clarifications, please reach out to Vicky Hathaway at whathaway@dcgary.org or at 219-769-9292 ext 88229,

Hotel Cost

Hotel costs are currently estimates and will be finalized once we are assigned a hotel. Based on our last stay, here's what groups can expect for 3 nights:

- A teen sharing with three other teens: \$170 per person
- A teen sharing with two other teens: \$227 per person
- A person sharing with one other person: \$340 per person
- Single occupancy: \$680

Please note that these prices are estimates to help with your planning process.

Once a group is registered, the group leader will receive a "hotel placement request" form to fill out and return to the OMDE.

Diocesan Registration Fee

The diocesan registration fee is \$45 per person, which covers the cost of a diocesan t-shirt and a swap item.

Hotel costs and diocesan registration fees are due after NCYC and will be invoiced separately. This provides groups more time for fundraising and allows OMDE to make adjustments in case of any hotel incidentals.

Other expenses:

Meals are not provided in your package. Participants will eat at downtown Indy restaurants and/or Convention Center vendors. You can also bring your own food. Plan according to your teens' appetite and budget. During previous NCYC events, a large amount of exhibitors sold their wares at NCYC, including Catholic Christian t-shirts, hats, keychains, socks, etc. Teens may choose to bring some souvenir money. You determine your Parish's Group expenses. Many groups choose to produce parish t-shirts, trade items, etc. Other parishes have been known to arrange for one or more meals during NCYC for their participants.

Transportation:

The Diocese of Gary is pleased to announce that we are able to provide charter buses to transport our NCYC pilgrims to Indianapolis and return them home. We will leave from one central location in the Diocese and travel to Indianapolis. More details will come as we get closer to NCYC. Please let Vicky know if your group will like to utilize this transportation. Group leaders who do not want to utilize diocesan arranged buses should heed diocesan travel policies when transporting your youth. You can find diocesan travel policies at garyoyya.org/liability-permission-forms

Preliminary Diocesan Cost Breakdown of NCYC 2025 (Grouped by Hotel Occupancy)

Hotel: 1 teen sharing with 3 other teens

Ticket Purchase Date	NCYC Ticket	Hotel *	Diocesan Fee	Estimated Diocesan Package Total
First 100 Tickets or before 12/31/24	\$285	\$170	\$45	\$500
Between 1/1/25 through 4/30/25	\$310	\$170	\$45	\$525
Between 5/1/25 through 8/31/25	\$335	\$170	\$45	\$550
Between 9/1/25 through 10/15/25	\$360	\$170	\$45	\$575
Between 10/16/25 through 11/01/25	\$410	\$170	\$45	\$625

Hotel: 1 teen sharing with 2 other teens

Ticket Purchase Date	NCYC Ticket	Hotel*	Diocesan Fee	Estimated Diocesan Package Total
First 100 Tickets or before 12/31/24	\$285	\$227	\$45	\$557
Between 1/1/25 through 4/30/25	\$310	\$227	\$45	\$582
Between 5/1/25 through 8/31/25	\$335	\$227	\$45	\$607
Between 9/1/25 through 10/15/25	\$360	\$227	\$45	\$632
Between 10/16/25 through 11/01/25	\$410	\$227	\$45	\$682

Please note: This breakdown does not include additional costs, additional parish swap items, food, and other expenses. This is just for the diocesan package that includes the ticket to NCYC, hotel for three nights, and a diocesan fee to cover a diocesan t-shirt and swap item.

^{*}Hotel rooms prices are still an estimate because of current tax rates, and any incidentals that may accrue. Once we are assigned a hotel, we will have a clearer image of the price of a hotel room.

Preliminary Diocesan Cost Breakdown of NCYC 2025 (Grouped by Hotel Occupancy)

Hotel: 1 adult sharing with 1 other adult

Ticket Purchase Date	NCYC Ticket	Hotel*	Diocesan Fee	Estimated Diocesan Package Total
First 100 Tickets or before 12/31/24	\$285	\$340	\$45	\$670
Between 1/1/25 through 4/30/25	\$310	\$340	\$45	\$695
Between 5/1/25 through 8/31/25	\$335	\$340	\$45	\$720
Between 9/1/25 through 10/15/25	\$360	\$340	\$45	\$745
Between 10/16/25 through 11/01/25	\$410	\$340	\$45	\$795

Hotel: Single Occupancy

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Ticket Purchase Date	NCYC Ticket	Hotel*	Diocesan Fee	Estimated Diocesan Package Total	
First 100 Tickets or before 12/31/24	\$285	\$680	\$45	\$1010	
Between 1/1/25 through 4/30/25	\$310	\$680	\$45	\$1035	
Between 5/1/25 through 8/31/25	\$335	\$680	\$45	\$1060	
Between 9/1/25 through 10/15/25	\$360	\$680	\$45	\$1085	
Between 10/16/25 through 11/01/25	\$410	\$680	\$45	\$1135	

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Hotel Room Assignment

As you can see, the financial incentive for group leaders is to fill rooms, and avoid singles. Group leaders wanting to avoid singles should work with other group leaders and OMDE on roommate requests. Group leaders will have the ability to request that they be roomed with unfamiliar roommates (participants from other Diocese of Gary groups). OMDE will make every effort to fulfill your requests.

OMDE DEFAULT ADULT HOTEL PLACEMENT: We will place adults no more than 2 to a room, unless you request differently. In the event of a single, we will assign a roommate from another group. Priests are assigned singles. Married couples are usually assigned to their own room unless you request differently.

OMDE DEFAULT YOUTH HOTEL PLACEMENT: We will attempt to place 4 same-sex teens together, and will assign roommates from another group (usually no more than two groups in one room), unless you request differently. We will always ask you before we do.

FAMILY PLACEMENT: Married couples will be placed together as a default. If you request it, immediate family members may be placed together, such as parents and their children. Otherwise, youths will be placed with other youths.



Frequently Asked Questions

Preparing for NCYC

What will teens "get" out of NCYC?

It's hard to say—each teen's experience is unique. Some will remember the powerful speakers, while others will be moved by the dynamic closing liturgy or an inspiring Eucharistic Adoration. For many, it's a rare chance to celebrate their faith with others from all over the country. The heart of the conference is in the large general sessions and various breakout sessions. Sample topics include: Catholic identity, Catholic social teaching, cultural diversity, family relationships, forgiveness, global issues, leadership, self-esteem, sexuality, spirituality and prayer, and social justice.

I'm a group leader. How will NCYC help my group?

NCYC offers the feel of a diocesan event, giving your teens a chance to connect with others across the region whom they might not usually meet. They'll have opportunities to embrace our diocesan identity, including a special Mass just for participants from the Diocese of Gary. However, **NCYC** is ultimately a parishbased experience, meant to inspire teens to bring it back to their own communities.

Each evening, parish leaders are encouraged to gather their groups for "Parish Time" to reflect and pray together. Some leaders also organize a parish meal as part of the experience. Our goal is not just to help you "lead a group to NCYC," but to support your ministry's pilgrimage to NCYC. This pilgrimage begins well before the trip and allows you to harness the NCYC experience to energize your ongoing

ministry. Many parishes use the lead-up to NCYC to strengthen group bonds and prepare for this meaningful journey together.

How will we get to Indianapolis?

The Diocese of Gary is pleased to provide charter buses to transport our NCYC pilgrims to Indianapolis and return them home. More information will be provided as we approach NCYC. Please let Vicky know as soon as possible if your group would like to use this transportation. Group leaders who do not wish to use diocesan-arranged buses must follow diocesan travel policies when transporting youth. Diocesan travel policies can be found at garyoyya.org/liability-permission-forms.



Where will NCYC 2025 be held?

NCYC General Sessions traditionally take place in Lucas Oil Stadium, while most other exhibits and sessions will be held in the adjacent Indiana Convention Center. Downtown Indianapolis is very pedestrian-friendly, with many restaurants, and in cold weather, most of downtown is accessible via connected skywalks.

Do I need to be Virtus Safe Environment trained?

YES! All adults, attending NCYC need to be in compliance with all Diocesan Safe Environment policies, including being certified in Virtus training and completion of a background check. College aged young adults will also need to be in compliance with Diocesan Safe Environment polities. OMDE will conduct a safe environment audit on all registered adults. Group leaders should be prepared to help adults be in compliance by helping them find a training if needed or work with parish safe environment coordinators to complete background checks or other requirements.

Are there scholarships available to apply for?

Yes! Scholarships are available to individuals needing financial assistance for NCYC. Funded through online donations and the annual NCYC collection, these scholarships can help subsidize housing or registration costs. Applications generally open in February, with more information available at <u>ncyc.us/scholarships</u>.

Group scholarships are also available to NFCYM members on a case-by-case basis. For details, visit <u>ncyc.us/scholarships</u> or email scholarships@nfcym.org.

If your group or individual participants receive a scholarship, please notify Vicky as soon as possible to adjust your group's invoice.

Any advice on fundraising?

There are countless ways to raise funds, but focusing on why you're fundraising for NCYC can make a big difference. Avoid framing it as just a "trip" or "vacation." Instead, be intentional about your group's purpose.

Rather than saying you're "sending a group of teens to NCYC," emphasize that you're "coordinating your parish's delegation to the National Catholic Youth Conference." This reframes them as representatives of your parish and shifts their role from participants to ambassadors of your community.

This approach invites parishioners to feel more invested in the teens' journey. Encourage teens to give back meaningfully, perhaps by sharing their experiences in the bulletin, displaying photos, or offering personal testimonies during Mass. This allows the entire parish to engage with their journey and the fruits of the conference. For specific fundraising ideas, visit **garyoyya.org/NCYC**.

What do deadlines look like this year?

Group leaders participating in NCYC are encouraged to set their own internal deadlines for collecting the "Registration Information Collection Form" from each participant to streamline the registration process. The ticket pricing for NCYC will follow a tiered schedule. Tickets are \$285 for the first 100 people registered. If all 100 tickets are claimed, the ticket pricing will increase over time. Ticket pricing increases to \$310 starting January 1, 2025, then to \$335 on May 1, 2025, \$360 on September 1, 2025, and finally \$410 on October 16, 2025.

Once an invoice is issued, payment is generally due within three months; however, for any requests made after August 1, 2025, payment must be submitted within 10 days. Invoices for tickets will be given to group leaders after they register for their group. Invoices for hotel rooms and the diocesan fees will be given to group leaders after NCYC.

By September 26, 2025, groups should finalize their participants, as final housing numbers are typically due in October (exact date TBD). The last day to register is November 1, 2025, or earlier if hotel availability runs out.

To make a payment, group leaders should collect funds from participants or fundraisers and then arrange for the parish or school to submit a check, payable to "Diocese of Gary" with "NCYC 2025" in the memo, to the Diocesan Pastoral Center, attention Vicky Hathaway. Online payment options are available upon request. For any questions, Vicky Hathaway can be reached at whathaway@dcgary.org or at 219-769-9292 ext. 88229.

Where can we learn more about what's going on at NCYC?

NFCYM will soon announce NCYC programming, speakers, performers, and exhibit information. Updates will be posted on the official NCYC website at ncyc.us as they become available. Bookmark our diocesan website at garyoyya.org/ncyc for a direct link to the NFCYM site and to find the latest information for our diocesan delegation. You can also sign up for updates by visiting garyoyya.flocknote.com/NCYC2025Leaders.

Promotional Assistance

Promotional resources will be provided by NFCYM and OMDE. PDF flyers and posters from OMDE are available for download at <u>www.garyoyya.org/ncyc</u>.

Youth and family participation

If my parish isn't going but I want to take my family, what should I do?

If your parish isn't organizing an NCYC group, we can connect you with one that is attending. If you prefer not to join a parish group, we can register your family as an independent "group." Families will be expected to meet the same deadlines as parish or school groups.

College-aged young adults

College-aged young adults interested in attending NCYC may participate as chaperone assistants within an attending group. These individuals must follow all NCYC policies, requirements, and diocesan VIRTUS/Safe Environment protocols, just as other chaperones do.

Please note: According to diocesan policy, anyone under the age of 21 on November 20, 2025, cannot count as a full chaperone and does not count toward the required adult-to-youth ratio. Chaperone assistants are allowed but must never be alone with youth or responsible for transporting them.

What if our parish doesn't have a youth ministry program/are rebuilding our program?

If your parish does not have a designated youth ministry leader, the pastor can appoint a VIRTUS-trained adult—such as a parent, DRE, or catechist—to serve as the NCYC coordinator. Our team is here to help with the registration process. Some parishes have also successfully partnered with others to share both fundraising and transportation efforts.

If your parish is in a rebuilding phase, consider bringing interested adults or potential youth ministry team members. NCYC can be a powerful inspiration for adults, allowing them to witness the vibrant faith of young people firsthand. It's also a great

opportunity to network with youth ministry leaders nationwide and connect with organizations offering resources for parish youth ministry. There are workshops specifically for adult leaders, providing dedicated time to reflect on and pray for the youth ministry within your parish.

Registration and financial details

Are there other expenses?

Yes. Meals are **not** provided in your package. Participants will eat at downtown Indy restaurants and/or Convention Center. vendors. You can also bring your own food. Plan according to your teens' appetite and budget! During previous NCYC events, a large amount of exhibitors sold their wares at NCYC, including Catholic Christian t-shirts, hats, keychains, socks, etc. Teens may choose to bring some souvenir money. You determine your Parish/Cluster Group expenses. Many groups choose to produce parish t-shirts, misc. trade items, etc. Other parishes have been known to arrange for one or more meals during NCYC.

Please note: The Convention Center does not accept cash for its dining options. There are cash-to-card kiosks located in the building that can take cash and place it on a gift card that you can use to purchase food. Most vendors also accept cards.

Refunds?

All ticket sales are final—no refunds will be issued unless the event is canceled. If a participant from your parish can't attend, parish leaders can substitute a new participant at no extra cost. Parishes may also offer tickets to other parishes needing tickets before September 26. After September 26, tickets are linked to individual participants, and cancellations made after October 1, 2025, will also result in forfeiture of hotel fees dependent on hotel policy.

Fall sports creating NCYC conflicts?

If teens or parents are hesitant to commit due to fall sports or other activities, it's wise to approach these cases with care to avoid unexpected costs if someone doesn't attend. As a general rule, it's better not to register a participant who may be uncertain—even if this means paying a late registration fee—rather than risking a noshow and losing money. OMDE will work to accommodate everyone interested while being mindful of diocesan funds. When in doubt, feel free to call Vicky for guidance!



We live so close. Can we attend for just a portion of it?

While group leaders can choose to arrive late or leave early, I strongly discourage it. Most teens say afterward that NCYC wasn't long enough—why shorten it? The Executive Director of NFCYM provides a letter for school principals explaining NCYC, and in most cases, schools excuse the absence on Thursday and Friday. OMDE prices the NCYC package based on good-faith estimates for registration, hotels, and other expenses, aiming to break even. Prorating costs is very challenging, so all participants pay the full package rate. It just makes sense to make the most of your investment!



There are no single-day passes. If you or your pastor wish to attend for just one day, you'll still need to pay the full ticket price.

Can I save some money by coming home Saturday night?

Reduced hotel rates are possible because of our commitment to the NFCYM's hotel assignments and policies, which require a Saturday night stay. Leaving on Saturday night would void this rate reduction for all nights, eliminating any perceived savings. It also introduces the dangers of late-night travel—participants often exit the stadium after the closing Mass around 10:30 PM. Diocesan buses will depart Indianapolis at 10:00 AM on Sunday, November 23.

Get the lay of the land

NCYC 2025 will be the 8th consecutive NCYC held in Indianapolis. Many group leaders find that familiarity with Indy's layout and logistics is an advantage. If this is your first NCYC, we highly recommend taking an informal "Familiarization Tour" beforehand: visit the hotel and convention center, and identify restaurants that might suit your group. For group dining, connect with restaurant managers early to ask about party rooms, group rates, or reservations. (It's best not to wait until November to book!) This will help you feel prepared and confident as a group leader by November 20, 2025.

If you haven't visited Indianapolis since before 2020, you might want to plan a trip soon, as some businesses and restaurants may have changed.

Forms

Registration Information Collection Form

- Group leaders, distribute this form to your participants and their family members. Have them complete all of the information and then return to you. You will then use that information to register your participants here: <u>tinyurl.com/GaryNCYCReg25</u>
- It is two sided. You can keep the paper copy of the forms.

Hotel Placement Request Form

• This forms helps the OMDE know how to plan for hotel rooms. Please return the form to Vicky at vhathaway@dcgary.org either via scanning or printing out a hard copy.

Roommate Request Form

• When you have your group complete, please fill out this form to let us know who you want to room with who. Return to Vicky either via scanning or printing out a hard copy.

Electronic Forms

Permission Forms

 In October, 2025, the OMDE will email out to the guardians of every youth participant a Diocesan Permission Form (Event Waiver). The OMDE will email you a copy once completed for your records. If you wish to receive a printed copy of your group's permission form, please let Vicky know.

NFCYM Event Waivers

• Also in October of 2025, NFCYM will email out to every participant an event waiver. There should be waivers for youths and for adults.



Diocese of Gary NCYC 2025 Registration Information Collection Form

Group leaders: please distribute this form to all of your NCYC participants- teens and adults. Collect this form from them, as it contains all information needed for you to complete the online form (which will be sent to group leaders). Once your information is submitted online, you do not need to submit this paper form.

Parents/Teens: direct all questions to your parish/school group leader.

PARTICIPANTS: THIS FORM IS DUE TO_	ON OR BEFORE		
Parish/School:			
<u>- </u>	Last Name:		
Name for Badge: Guardia	n's email (for adults, use your own):		
Is interpretation needed?	nish 🗌 Yes to ASL Birthday (MM/DD/YYYY):		
Mailing Address:			
City:	State: Zip:		
Participant Cell Phone:			
Type: \square Youth (In high school during the 2025/2	2026 school year) 🗌 Adult 🔲 Clergy		
Gender: Female Male			
<u>_</u>	American/Black Hispanic/Latino Native American		
	ti-Ethnic Not Known Prefer Not to Say Other		
Emergency Contact Name:			
Emergency Contact Phone:			
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	contact or glasses) Limited Mobility Gluten Free		
T-Shirt Size (Adult Size):	Large X-Large ZXL 3XL		
Υ	OUTH ONLY		
Grade at time of NCYC (Nov. 2025): 9th	10th 11th 12th		
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-	Last Name:		
Phone Number:	Email:		
Check box if address is different from child	d's		
Parent/Guardian 2: First Name:	Last Name		
Phone Number:	Email:		
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If address is different from (child's please complete the back of this form.		
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Group Leaders: please use the information above to complete the online registration. Refer to the DIOCESE OF GARY NCYC 2025 PARTICIPATION DEADLINES document for details.

Additional forms will be mailed and collected in fall. Specific details about the diocesan trip will also be communicated in the fall. All pertinent information about the diocesan trip, as well as links to info about NCYC, is made available at our diocesan NCYC website: garyoyya.org/ncyc. Questions? Contact Vicky Hathaway, Diocese of Gary, vhathaway@dcgary.org

If parent/guardian's address is different from child's please complete this form.

Parent/Guardian 1 Name:			
Mailing Address:			
City:			
Parent/Guardian 2 Name:			
Mailing Address:			
City:	Ctata	Zip:	







Diocese of Gary NCYC 2025 Hotel <u>Placement</u> Request Form

In some years, the diocese has lost money on NCYC, and the biggest culprit is hotel expenses. In an effort to avoid drastic rate increases-not only for NCYC, but for other programs- groups will be billed for actual fair room usage for NCYC hotel rooms.

See *Preliminary Diocesan Cost Breakdown of NCYC 2025* sheet for detailed explanation about the variance in rates. The per person rate billed by OMDE will be lowered according to how many persons are assigned to a room. The incentive for group leaders is to fill rooms. Group leaders wanting to avoid singles and doubles should work with other group leaders and Vicky Hathaway on roommate requests.

There will a separate <u>Roommate Request Form</u> distributed later in the summer. This <u>Hotel Placement Request Form</u> is to help us determine a good faith estimate of hotel rooms, in order that we might determine whether or not we need to add additional rooms.

OMDE DEFAULT ADULT PLACEMENT: We will place adults no more than 2 to a room. In the event of a single, we will assign a roommate from another group. Priests are assigned singles. Married couples are usually assigned to their own room.

OMDE DEFAULT YOUTH PLACEMENT: We will attempt to place 4 same-sex teens together, and will assign roommates from another group (usually no more than two groups in one room), unless you request differently.

Other notes: Family members may be placed together, regardless of age, if you request it. Any post-HS, college-aged participant will be placed with NCYC adult participants.

PARISH/SCHOOL GROUP:
GROUP LEADER:
Please check all boxes that apply (it's OK if you don't check any! No checked boxes = default placements described above):
☐ Please attempt to place our adults <i>more than</i> two to a room, even if it means grouping them with adults from another group.
☐ Please place our youth <i>no more than</i> two to a room.
☐ Please place our youth <i>up to</i> four to a room.
\square If possible, please place our youth $up\ to$ five to a room.
\square We plan to bring a priest with us (priests will be assigned singles unless they contact OMDE directly)
☐ We prefer to be placed with youth from this/these group(s): (list all)
☐ We would like to request single rooms for the following persons: (list all)

Please email Vicky Hathaway additional notes that might be helpful in the placement of your group.

Please return this form when you register your group.

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Group leaders, please use this page to make roommate requests. OMDE will make every effort to accommodate requests. The per-person package price for your participants will be determined by how many people are placed in a room (see NCYC 2023 Billing Plan). This policy allows us to keep the costs down and reward groups who place more people in a room.

OMDE DEFAULT ADULT PLACEMENT: We will place adults no more than 2 to a room. In the event of a single, we will assign a roommate from another group. Priests are assigned singles. Married couples are usually assigned to their own room.

OMDE DEFAULT YOUTH PLACEMENT: Some hotel rooms are capable of housing 5 youth. At your request, we will attempt to place 4-5 same-sex teens together, and will assign roommates from another group (usually no more than two groups in one room), unless you request differently.

Other notes: Family members may be placed together, regardless of age, if you request it. Any post-HS, college-aged participant will be placed with NCYC adult participants.

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