

Sample letter to parents that can be sent in a parish or school mailing for the upcoming High School Youth Rally.

September/October 2011

Dear Parents / Guardians of High School Youth,

The **Diocesan 2011 High School Youth Rally** is scheduled for Saturday, November 19th, at Villa Maria Academy, in Erie, PA. This year's theme is, ***"Take courage, I have conquered the world. John 16:33"***. Our Spiritual Advisors for the event will be Fr. Shane Mathew and Fr. Steve Schreiber, with music led by Pat Brown and Co., and a special appearance by Bishop Trautman!

The registration fee is \$30 (the parish/school may need to increase this fee to cover transportation and/or meals to and from the Rally) and includes the following: powerful keynote presentation & teen testimony, a wonderful banquet dinner, FREE t-shirt and wristband, a CLI reunion room, extreme games, awesome praise & worship music, service project/farewell gift for Bishop Trautman, Vigil Mass for the Solemnity of Christ the King, Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament, a farewell tribute to Bishop Trautman, and loads of fun with fellow Catholic teens. Opportunities for confession will also be available.

Please contact your parish if this fee is a problem for you at this time. Finances will never keep youth from attending important events like this. The enclosed Youth Release Form along with a check made payable to this parish/school must be returned to our office no later than _____. For additional information, please contact your Parish Youth Leader or Kathleen Peterson, Coordinator for the Office of Youth & Young Adults (814-824-1218), or visit www.onthevine.us.

We are very excited to be bringing a group of youth from our parish/school to the rally. If you are interested in assisting with this event in any way, please call the religious education/youth ministry office at _____.

