



HOW TO GET INVOLVED IN YOUNG LIFE AS A CATHOLIC ADULT

Young Life's mission is to introduce and re-introduce adolescents to Jesus Christ and help them grow in their faith. We cannot do that without people like you! If you are interested in being involved with Young Life, we have a place for you to serve. As Young Life continues to partner with the Catholic Church in order to reach as many kids as possible, your involvement as a Catholic is both vital and a gift to this mission! Here are some ways to get involved:

DISCOVER WHAT IS HAPPENING LOCALLY

The first step is to discover what is already happening where you live. The Catholic Relations office would love to connect you to a Young Life staff member in your area, or you can search for Young Life in your area by visiting www.younglife.org/find.



INTRODUCE YOUNG LIFE STAFF TO YOUR PARISH STAFF



When it comes to recruiting local Catholic volunteers or even helping disconnected students find a parish, relationships with the local parish are important. Get to know your local Young Life staff person and then introduce them to your parish youth minister or DRE. As a Catholic and as someone who values Young Life, you're in a perfect position to make these introductions and help facilitate these relationships. Your efforts to foster these friendships could lead to broader, long-term collaboration between Young Life and several Catholic churches in your community.

ATTEND YOUR LOCAL YOUNG LIFE BANQUET OR GOLF OUTING

Many Young Life offices, called Young Life areas, host a banquet and/or a golf outing each year. While there is a fundraising element to these, they are also exciting opportunities to hear about the work Young Life is doing in your town. You'll be able to meet the staff and volunteers and learn about the specific needs of your area. Such gatherings are also a wonderful way to connect with people who share your passion for making sure every kid has the opportunity to develop a personal relationship with Jesus!





ATTEND THE BIENNIAL YOUNG LIFE CATHOLIC SUMMIT

Every other spring, the Catholic Relations team hosts a Young Life Catholic Summit specifically designed to further the collaboration of Young Life with the Catholic Church. Watch our website for more information. We would love to have you join us!

ATTEND CAMP AS AN ADULT GUEST

Did you know that adults can attend Young Life camp? Young Life has an adult guest program that allows small groups to come and experience camp for a week in the summer or for a weekend during the school year. This is a fantastic way to see the winsome way Young Life proclaims the gospel message. Your local area director will be able to provide more information on how to register. This is also an excellent opportunity to invite parents, clergy, or youth ministry coordinators from your parish to come and experience Young Life.



JOIN YOUR LOCAL YOUNG LIFE COMMITTEE

Each Young Life area has a committee, a group of adults who love kids and want to see Young Life flourish in their community. Meeting regularly, committees partner with staff to create the area vision, promote Young Life in the community, support Young Life staff and volunteers, raise money through personal requests and fundraisers, and ensure the integrity of the local ministry. Strong committees are critical to the longevity and health of every Young Life ministry.

BECOME A YOUNG LIFE LEADER

Volunteer Young Life leaders have the privilege of ministering to students and building relationships with them. Leaders can be found wherever kids are — at a Friday night football game, chatting with students in the lunchroom, or helping with the school play. Leaders facilitate Young Life's outreach gatherings, called "club," and the small-group Bible studies, called "campaigners." Leaders also take kids to camp each year. They are the hands and feet of Jesus in their community and the heartbeat of the Young Life mission.



If you would like to get involved but are unsure about where to start, the Young Life Catholic Relations team would love to assist.

Visit www.younglife.org/catholicrelations/about to connect with us!