

## **Job Opening: Director of Youth Ministry**

**Job Summary:** The Director of Youth Ministry is responsible for directing youth ministry that provides young people opportunities to encounter Jesus Christ, build community, and to experience missionary discipleship. The director facilitates the ongoing development of a personal and communal relationship between the young people, the faith community, and God. The scope of this position is to discern, design and implement ongoing formation opportunities for young people that integrate them to all components of the life of the parish. The director is responsible for the development, implementation, evaluation, and ongoing improvement of the formation initiatives. The director must demonstrate strong leadership skills necessary to identify, develop, and retain strong teams of volunteer leaders critical to the success of parish ministry.

### **Job Requirements**

- Previous experience participating in a parish faith formation program.
- Demonstrated ability to collaborate with clergy, staff, parish leaders and volunteers.
- Practicing Catholic with understanding and support for Catholic Church teaching, mission, and values.
- Demonstrate an understanding of the mission, goals, and principles of Catholic youth ministry
- Demonstrate an understanding of the developmental needs of young people with popular, ethnic, and family subcultures, as appropriate to the faith community being served.
- Comprehensive vision and understanding of evangelization.
- Ability to form and nurture a community of missionary disciples through encounter, accompaniment and sending forth.
- Mature discipleship evidenced in ability to comfortably witness to one's own faith journey.
- Developed skills in leadership and management, strong commitment to collaboration and teamwork.
- Excellent interpersonal, oral, and written communication skills.
- Familiarity with technology used for communicating and presenting.

### **Preferred Job Skills and Experience**

- Master's Degree in Pastoral Studies, Theology, Faith Formation or equivalent.
- Previous experience directing comprehensive youth ministry in parish
- Language skills required: bilingual, Spanish speaking.
- Self-motivated, detail-oriented, collaborative, faithful, joyful witness, persistent, available, fair, and balanced, dependable, person of integrity, sensitive to cultural, racial, and ethnic diversity, authentic and hope filled.
- Ability to deal with multiple projects, flexible, sound judgment, and comfortable with change.

If you are interesting, please send your letter of interest and supporting documents to the operation Director: [aroggow@archchicago.org](mailto:aroggow@archchicago.org)