

# YOUTH

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The Adviser for Youth Ministry exists to support those working with young people in local communities and to provide relevant opportunities to the whole Diocese. This includes:

- Training, resourcing and other support for parishes wanting to start a youth ministry.
- Ongoing support for existing youth groups in areas such as catechesis, programmes and practicalities.
- Organising regular networking opportunities for those working with young people in our communities.
- Running larger events, such as the World Youth Day group and the annual Diocesan youth festival.

## **Y 1 Youth Leaders Contact Days**

**4 hours**

Intended for: Anybody who works with young people or who is interested in doing so.

These days are held three times a year, typically on the Saturday one week before each half term, but check our Facebook page or website for exact dates. They are intended to be one of the main contact points between youth ministers and the Diocese. Each day follows a set format. After welcoming everyone (light lunch is available) we start with a time of prayer and reflection. We then receive some input on relevant topics (usually requested by individuals in our communities) and then we have a chance to network and discuss current issues, needs and priorities. In short, it's a chance to learn more about Youth Ministry, meet others who are involved and tell the Diocese how we can better serve you.

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## **Y 2 Models of Youth Ministry at local levels**

**2-3 hours**

Intended for: Anybody (lay or ordained) who wants to start working with young people in a parish or Deanery context, or who is already doing so, and is looking for some fresh ideas.

This course looks at the myriad of different ways in which parishes can minister to young people, at how communities can identify which one might work best for them, and at what practical steps they can take towards setting something up.

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**Y 3 Launching a Youth Ministry****2-3 hours**

Intended for: Those who are in the later stages of establishing or planning a parish youth ministry programme.

Offers a practical guide to how to set up and run a youth ministry programme, including publicity, launch events and a look at practical considerations such as consent forms DBS checks, equipment, budget, and resources.

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**Y 4 Curriculum and Catechesis in Youth Ministry****2 hours**

Intended for: Youth ministry leaders and catechists.

Examines the content of catechesis for teenagers and the resources that are available to help in its delivery. In other words, what should we be handing on to young people, and how can we do it?

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**Y 5 Praying with young people****2 hours**

Intended for: Youth ministry leaders, catechists, parents, clergy.

Examines the different ways of praying with young people, how to explain prayer, draw them in to prayer, and make prayer relevant to their lives and lived experience.

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**Y 6 Communicating with Young People****2 hours**

Intended for: Clergy, youth ministry leaders, catechists.

A look at how teenagers are used to receiving information in the modern world, and how we can tailor our approach to communicating with them around that.

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**Y 7 A Practical Guide to Running a Residential Trip****2 hours**

Intended for: Confirmation catechists, youth ministry leaders, clergy.

Some practical considerations, legal considerations and activity ideas for those planning a residential with their group of young people.

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