

You're Invited to the YOSA Christmas Party!

Come. You get to party in the priests' house. Enough said.

It's that time of year again – time for the annual YOSA Christmas party! Come and join us on **Sunday, December 20** after the 5:30 p.m. Mass in the rectory for a special dinner (yes, it's more than just the normal YOSA pizza!), music, fun, and socializing! If you're lucky, you might even get a chance to catch up with some YOSA alums or sing some karaoke (that is, if you can find a way to steal the microphone from Mike!). As we celebrate

Christmas with each other, we also ask that we keep in mind those who are less fortunate. In past years, we have donated tools to Habitat for Humanity, among many other efforts, and this year, we ask that you bring a new or gently used **stuffed animal** with you to donate to children in need.

If you're in the mood for some extra Christmas celebrations, please join us on **Thursday, December 10 at 7:00 p.m.** in the Social Hall

for a night of Advent reflection. We will pray the rosary together and then just reflect on the Christmas season... there will be music, games, and fun involved!

So remember, join us for our Advent Reflection Night and come celebrate Christmas with us on December 20! Bring a stuffed animal with you!

Much love and Merry Christmas!
-Amanda and Mike



More Information

Think you might be interested in traveling to the **University of Steubenville** or the **University of Notre Dame (ND Vision)** for a Catholic youth leadership seminar in the summer of 2010? If you're unsure, talk to Amanda and Mike about exactly what these conferences are like, or ask Michael for more information about dates and payments!

OR

Have you been on YOSA retreat and want to be a member of **retreat team** this year? Check your email and be sure to return the questions by 12:01 a.m. on December 16th!

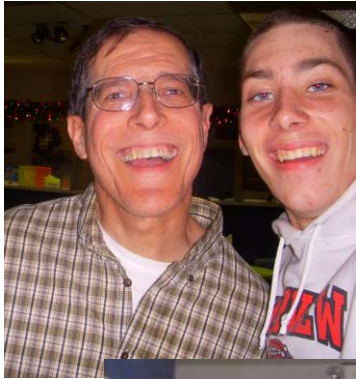
Upcoming Events

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| Tuesday, December 8, 2009 | Christmas Choir Practice – 7:00 p.m. |
| Thursday, December 10, 2009 | Advent Reflection Night
7:00 p.m. – Social Hall |
| Sunday, December 13, 2009 | SAM Christmas Concert
3:00 p.m. |
| Sunday, December 20, 2009 | Youth Mass – 5:30pm
YOSA Meeting
6:30 – 8:15 p.m. |
| Late December | Peak & Peak Ski Trip |

YOSA Bowling is a Smash Hit!

By Mike Arnold

On November 15, 2009, we took our annual trip to the bowling alley as a group. We were able to fill all of the spots that we had, and we even had some spectators come and watch. The night was filled with fun, gutter balls, and a lucky strike here and there. I was even able to take a picture with all of the YOSAers who were attending the event. Look for more of these fun social events to come later in the year; the lock-in will be in January and we even have a kick ball game currently in the mix!



YOSA Teens Go to NEYE

By Sean Hegarty

Last weekend, a group of your YOSA peers took a 13 hour bus ride down to Kansas City, Missouri for the National Catholic Youth Conference. There they were able to spend three days with 23,000 other teens who share their same beliefs. At the conference, there were many opportunities to

build on your faith through conferences, workshops, reconciliation, adoration, mass, and lots of singing and dancing! Everyone had a really good time and really got to know themselves a little better, as well as build on their relationship with Christ.



Do you think you might be interested in going to **NCYC**? It is held every two years and will be in Indianapolis, Indiana in 2011! More information will come at a later date!