

The Alaska Catholic Youth Conference 2019

The Joy of Our Faith

On Facebook and Twitter, Pope Francis writes, “A Christian is never bored or sad. Rather, the one who loves Christ is full of joy and radiates joy.” Today’s world often does not reflect such joy. People are in dire need of it. It is up to modern day disciples to strive for it in our own lives and in-turn, pour it out to others through our actions and words.

Sunday, June 2 - Pre Conference Activities

- 1:00 – 7:30 p.m. On-Sight Registration & Check In for ACYC 2019 at Lumen Christi School
- 5:00 – 7:30 p.m. Dinner on your own.
- 7:30 p.m. Social & Game Night at Lumen Christi School Gymnasium

Monday, June 3

- 7:30 a.m. Doors Open at St. Patrick Parish, Anchorage
- 9:00 a.m. Welcome Activities in Deacons Hall at St. Patrick Parish
- 10:00 a.m. Buses Depart St. Patrick Parish for Prayer Chain
- 10:30 a.m. Holy Family Cathedral Prayertime
- 11:30 a.m. Holy Cross Parish Prayertime
- 12:15 p.m. Lunch at Holy Cross Parish
- 1:45 p.m. Holy Spirit Retreat Center Prayertime
- 3:30 p.m. St. Anthony Parish Prayertime
- 4:45 p.m. Concluding Prayer Activity in Deacons Hall at St. Patrick Parish
- 5:30 p.m. Mass in the worship area at St. Patrick Parish
- 6:30 p.m. Dinner & Welcome Activities in Deacons Hall at St. Patrick Parish
- 8:00 p.m. Evening of Entertainment with Oddwalk Ministries in Deacons Hall at St. Patrick Parish
- 9:00 p.m. Departure from St. Patrick Parish, Anchorage

Tuesday, June 4

- 7:30 a.m. Doors Open at St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Parish, Anchorage
- 9:00 a.m. Morning Mass in the worship area at St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Parish
- 9:45 a.m. Morning Keynote Address in the worship area of St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Parish with Sister Josephine Garrett

11:00 a.m.

Session 1 Workshops

1 – 01 *Mission Driven Leadership: Making Your Difference in the World*
with Ted Miles & Karen Bortvedt with Maryknoll Lay Missioners

1 – 02 *Living Fully Alive!* with Joshua Cordes.

1 – 03 *Sacrament of the Sick* with Fr. Luz Flores.

1 – 04 *Being a Future Saint & Still Being Cool* with Sister Josephine Garrett.

1 – 05 *Clones, Chimeras, and Google Babies* with Bob McMorrow.

1 – 06 *A Theology of Creativity* with Anna Schulten.

1 – 07 *Joy of Our Healing: How to help those before and after the abortion choice* with Project Rachel.

12:15 p.m.

Lunch & Lunchtime Activities at St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Parish in the Multipurpose Center

1:30 p.m.

Vocational Discernment Prayer & Sharing in the worship area at St. Elizabeth Ann Seton

2:45 p.m.

Session 2 Workshops

2 – 01 *Catholic Middle Earth* with Bob McMorrow.

2 – 02 *The Adventure of Following Christ* with Ed Burke.

2 – 03 *Darkness and Light: Breaking Open Bullying & Dignity* with Oddwalk Ministries.

2 – 04 *All That I Have Is Yours* with Fr. Thomas Kuffel.

2 – 05 *Impact of Experiences* with Jenny Michaelson.

2 – 06 *Understanding Addiction* with Fr. Frank Reitter.

2 – 07 *You've Got a Mission and Confirmation is Important* with Katherine Angulo.

4:00 p.m.

Session 3 Workshops

3 – 01 *Genesis, Darwin, The Big Bang & Milk Shakes* with Fr. Frank Reitter.

3 – 02 *Strive To Be A Saint Always* with Samantha Yee.

3 – 03 *True Partnership* with Jenny Michaelson.

3 – 04 *You Want Me To Pray?* with Lisa Gomes.

3 – 05 *The Nicene Creed: Source of My Joy* with Rudy Poglitsch.

3 – 06 *How to Keep your Faith in College* with Fr. Bryce Sibley.

3 – 07 *Music Ministry Preparing for Wednesday's Mass* with Anna Schulten & Oddwalk Ministries.

5:30 p.m.

Dinner & Dinnertime Activities at St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Parish in the Multipurpose Center

7:00 p.m.

ACYC Communal Reconciliation Service at St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Parish, Anchorage

9:00 p.m.

Departure from St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Parish, Anchorage

Wednesday, June 5

- 7:30 a.m. Doors Open at Lumen Christi School, Anchorage
- 7:45 a.m. Buses Depart Lumen Christi School
- 8:00 a.m. Optional Choir & Music Practice in worship area at Sacred Heart Parish, Wasilla
- 9:00 a.m. Morning Mass at Sacred Heart Parish, Wasilla
- 9:45 a.m. Morning Keynote Address in Sacred Heart Parish worship area with Ted Miles & Karen Bortvedt with Maryknoll Lay Missioners
- 10:30 a.m. Buses depart Sacred Heart Parish, Wasilla
- 10:45 a.m. Service Work at Sacred Heart Catholic Cemetary, Wasilla (Bring work gloves, hat, water bottle, rain gear, sun block)
- 12:15 p.m. Lunch at Service Site
- 2:00 p.m. Buses Depart for Afternoon Activities:
(1) Reindeer Farm (requires extra add-on fee); or
(2) Hike the Butte; or
(3) Enjoy games at Mat-Su River Park
- 5:15p.m. Buses Depart Mat-Su Valley to return to Lumen Christi School
- 6:30 p.m. BBQ/Picnic Dinner at St. Benedict/Lumen Christi School
- 7:30 p.m. ACYC Tonight Show in Lumen Christi Gymnasium featuring the Bishops of Alaska and music and dancing with ACYC Tonight Show Band
- 9:00 p.m. Departure from Lumen Christi School, Anchorage

Thursday, June 6

- 7:30 a.m. Doors Open at St. Benedict Parish, Anchorage
- 8:00 a.m. Good Morning Welcome Activities
- 8:30 a.m. Mission Disciple Sending Prayer in the Lumen Christi Gymnasium with Ted Miles & Karen Bortvedt with Maryknoll Lay Missioners
- 9:30 a.m. Morning Keynote Address with Oddwalk Ministries
- 10:05 a.m. Quick Choir & Music Practice for Mass in workshop area at St. Benedict Parish, Anchorage
- 10:30 a.m. Sending Forth Mass in worship area at St. Benedict Parish, Anchorage
- 11:30 a.m. Departure from St. Benedict Parish, Anchorage

Lunch on your own if you're going to be a part of the extention trip on the Kenai

Optional Thursday Afternoon & Evening, June 6 - ACYC extension on the Kenai

- 2:00 p.m. Departure of Tour Bus from Lumen Christi High School to Our Lady of Perpetual Help Parish, Soldotna
- 5:00 p.m. Optional Choir & Music Practice for Friday's Mass in worship area at OLPH Parish, Soldotna
- 6:00 p.m. Dinner & Dinnertime Activities in Fireweed Hall at Our Lady of Perpetual Help, Soldotna
- 7:00 p.m. Evening of Entertainment with Oddwalk Ministries in Fireweed Hall at OLPH Parish, Soldotna
- 8:00 p.m. Evening Prayer in worship area at Our Lady of Perpetual Help Parish, Soldotna
- 9:00 p.m. Official end of evening programmed activities at Our Lady of Perpetual Help Parish, Soldotna
Departure from Our Lady of Perpetual Help, Soldotna, by local participants
- Teens and chaperones from outside of Soldotna will sleep in sleeping bags on the floor in classrooms at the parish hall.

Friday, June 7

- 7:30 a.m. Doors Open at Our Lady of Perpetual Help Parish, Soldotna
Continental Breakfast in Fireweed Hall
- 8:00 a.m. Morning Prayer in worship area at Our Lady of Perpetual Help, Soldotna
- 8:30 a.m. Wake Up/Social Activities in the Fireweed Hall at OLPH Parish, Soldotna
- 9:00 a.m. **Session 4 Workshops**
- 4 – 01 *Faith as a Journey: Helping Teens along the Way* with Oddwalk Ministries.
- 4 – 02 *The Mystery of Faith: Encountering Christ in the Mass* with Deacon Kevin Klump.
- 4 – 03 *Mission* with Hannah Castree.
- 10:15 a.m. Morning Keynote Address in Sacred Heart Parish worship area
with Ted Miles & Karen Bortvedt with Maryknoll Lay Missioners
- 11:15 a.m. Depart for Service Sites
- 11:30 a.m. Service Sites (Food Bank, Bishops Attic)
- 12:15 p.m. 30 min. Sack Lunch at Service Sites
- 1:30 p.m. Depart Service Sites
- 1:45 p.m. Service Wrap Up in Fireweed Hall at OLPH, Soldotna
with Ted Miles & Karen Bortvedt with Maryknoll Lay Missioners
- 1:30 p.m. Optional Choir & Music Practice for Mass in worship area at OLPH Parish, Soldotna
- 2:30 p.m. Mass in workshop area at Our Lady of Perpetual Help Parish, Soldotna
- 3:30 p.m. Departure of local participants from Our Lady of Perpetual Help Parish, Soldotna
- 4:00 p.m. Tour Bus departs for return to Lumen Christi School, Anchorage