



Archdiocese Youth Pilgrimage Experience

Youth Leader Guide



Theme: *“The Journey Starts Here: Called by Christ, Moved by Hope”*

 **Date:** Saturday, 9th August 2025

Experience!

This Jubilee celebration is a pilgrimage journey, giving youth a powerful experience meant to awaken faith, renew hope, and deepen the spiritual life.

The Lead up – July 2025

Pilgrimage Preparation – A Call to Action!

Before our pilgrimage begins, we invite **each parish** to join in a **Hope Challenge** during **Hope Month (July 2025)**.

Your Parish Mission:

To prepare our young people for the Jubilee Pilgrimage Experience, we invite youth leaders, catechists, and parish teams to journey with them through four focused weeks of spiritual growth. Each weekly theme offers a chance to reflect, grow, and encounter Christ in a personal way.

We encourage weekly meetups, whether in person, online, or through group chats, using simple, meaningful activities like reflections, scripture sharing, journaling, or creative challenges.

Below is a guide to help your parish youth deepen their faith and prepare for this powerful encounter with God.

Week 1: Called to the Journey – Letting Go

Encourage your youth to reflect on what it means to be a pilgrim. Start by simplifying life, give up small comforts and explore the call to leave behind distractions to follow Christ.

Week 2: The Inner Road – Prayer & Silence

Focus on building a **personal prayer life**. Introduce youth to quiet prayer, daily reflection, and moments of silence. Help them find God in stillness as they prepare to hear His voice on the road ahead.

Week 3: Deepen the Encounter – Faith & Catechesis

Equip your youth with **spiritual understanding**. Share the meaning of pilgrimage through scripture and Church teaching. Invite testimonies, foster questions, and engage in small group discussions. This week forms their minds and hearts.

Week 4: Sacrifice & Service – Living Love

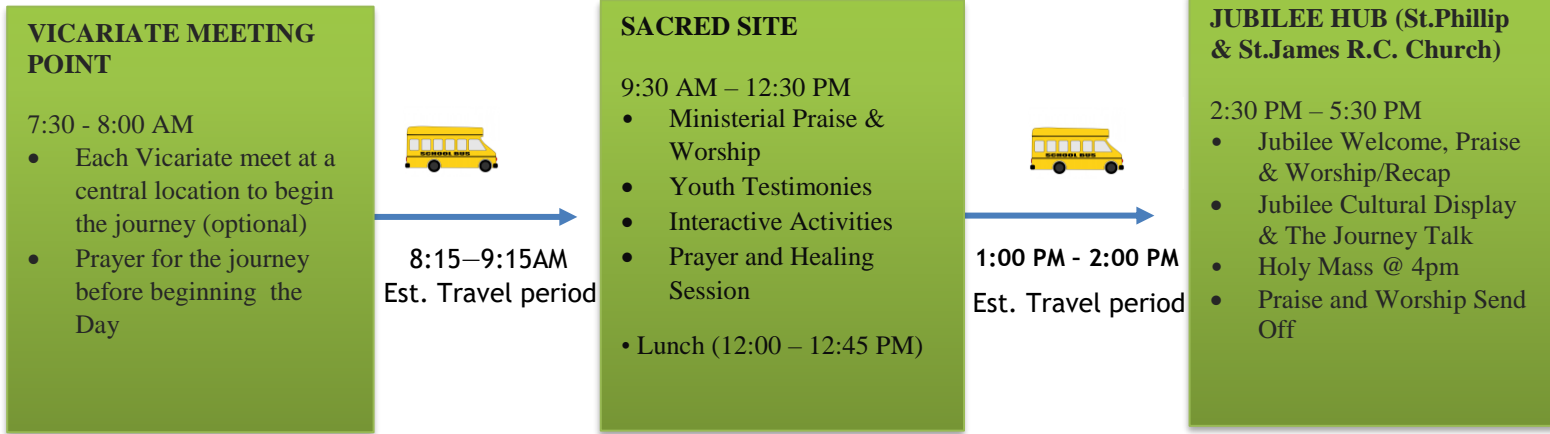
This final week invites youth to put their faith into action by practicing generosity, kindness, and service. They are challenged to do one act of kindness within their community, no matter how small, and offer prayer for someone in need.

Share your Hope Story:

- Create a **short video** of your activity.
- Show how you brought hope to your community.
- Tag the Catholic Youth Commission page on Instagram @rcyctt

The Jubilee Pilgrimage Experience – Saturday 9th August 2025

Each Vicariate will journey to a specified sacred site with the day ending at our Jubilee Hub! The sacred site assigned per Vicariate were chosen to give the youth a change outside their Vicariate to emphasize the idea of pilgrimage, leaving what’s familiar to encounter God in a new way!



Sacred site First Session (9:30am-10:15am): Youth will experience ministerial praise and worship, a time of vibrant praise, testimonies from fellow youth, and interactive activities. It’s about boldly standing in faith and celebrating God’s presence!

Sacred site Second Session (10:30am- 12:00pm): Youth will encounter a more reflective atmosphere, with healing and the Word. Scripture will guide a personal moment of reflection, followed by a prayer ministry session where prayer teams will pray with the youth. There will also be a pilgrim altar call/testimony segment, inviting youth to share what they heard from God that day, how they were moved, and how this journey has touched them.

Jubilee Hub: Finally, all Vicariates will converge at the Jubilee Hub for a grand gathering, This session will begin with a Jubilee Welcome, Jubilee Cultural Display, The Journey Talks, Holy Mass and closing with a joyful, spirit-filled praise and worship send-off.

Our deepest desire is that this day becomes more than just an event, it becomes a true encounter with Christ. We want every young person to leave renewed in hope, reminded that they are called, chosen, and deeply loved by God

Vicariate	Sacred Site
North A	La Divina Pastora, Siparia
North B	Our Lady of Perpetual Help, San- Fernando
South A	Our Lady of Assumption, Maraval
South B	Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception
East	Our Lady on Montserrat, Tortuga
Central	Our Lady of Fatima, Curepe
Suburban	St. Francis of Assisi, Sangre Grande

Transport, Jerseys & Love Offering

- **Youth Leaders/Parishes** to coordinate **transport for your group**.
- Youth to wear **parish/youth ministry jerseys**.
- A **love offering** will be collected on the day to help reduce event costs.
- Youth are asked to walk with lunch and snacks and water.
- Youth are asked to walk with cushion or cloth for seating for lunch time.
- Let your Vicariate **REP** your **Jubilee colour** on the day (rags, flags, etc.)

Key Dates & Responsibilities

- **Monday 23rd June** - registration begins
- **Tuesday 1st July**- Youth Hope month begins!
- **Monday 14th July** – Submit **estimated numbers** of youth per parish
- **Saturday 9th August** – Youth Jubilee Pilgrimage Experience

Youth Leaders' Roles:

- ✓ Organize Hope Month activities & encourage weekly spiritual preparation.
- ✓ Organise transport and ensure youth wear comfortable/appropriate wear.
- ✓ Assist with **logistics on Jubilee Day** – looking after youth, timing, and movement.
- ✓ Recruit **on-the-day volunteers** to assist with logistics and execution.

Vicariate Planning Subcommittee:

We're asking for volunteers! This subcommittee will be responsible for planning the interactive activity, coordination, and execution of all the activities at the Sacred site, while working in close collaboration with the Sacred Site Committee. The Sacred Site Committee will provide on-the-ground support, site-specific insight, and guidance.

Let's Make This a Jubilee to Remember!

As we prepare for our upcoming Jubilee Youth Event, we humbly ask you to lift this gathering in prayer.

Please pray for:

God's covering and protection over every young person who will attend, that hearts will be open and ready to receive all that God desires to pour out and that this experience ignites a movement of hope and faith in their lives

Let us join together in spiritual unity, asking the Holy Spirit to move powerfully and make this more than just an event but a true encounter with Christ.

Thank you for being faithful shepherds of our youth.

The journey starts here... and it begins with prayer!

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