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CHAPERONE INFORMATION

Pilgrimage Overview

Dates: Tuesday evening, January 16 – Sunday, January 21, 2018

Itinerary:

- Cathedral of St. Matthew for private mass with Archbishop Lucas
- Life Is Very Good Evening of Prayer
- The 2018 March for Life
- Basilica Shrine of the Immaculate Conception
- DC memorials, monuments, and museums

Cost: \$525

Chaperone Specifics

Chaperones register at the request of a school/parish. If your school/parish is not going or has enough chaperones, you may apply individually. Acceptance depends on the chaperone needs of other groups.

Requirements:

1. Practicing Catholic in good standing with the Church
2. High school graduate at least 21 years old
3. Currently certified in the Archdiocese of Omaha Safe Environment Training (See <http://archomaha.org/ministries/safe-environment/training/> for training dates.)
4. Available to attend the Leaders' Retreat
5. Willing to contact each pilgrim and parent/guardian in their chaperone group before departure.
6. Available via text and/or cell phone call to their Bus Captain and Chaplain throughout the entire pilgrimage; answering in a reasonable time frame and following directions as instructed
7. Prepared to participate in the entire pilgrimage including:
 - a. Monitoring up to 8 youth pilgrims
 - b. Bus journeys to and from Omaha and/or Norfolk.
 - c. One night of hotel hall duty and nightly youth room checks
 - d. One night of sack lunch assembly
 - e. Regularly Scheduled Meetings with Bus Team
 - f. Other duties as requested

Leaders' Retreat: TBD. Bus group leaders will let chaperones know the time and date once it has been set.

There are NO EXCEPTIONS to these rules. If a chaperone is unable to complete one of these requirements, he or she will not be allowed to attend the pilgrimage.

Registration

At: RespectLifeOmaha.com OR <http://www.regonline.com/2018M4LRuralEast>

Start Date: September 1, 2017

Deadline: October 15, 2017

- Spots for all chaperones who have not paid in full by the end of this date will be given to those on the waitlist.

Waitlist: Your group leader will let you know if seats are full at the time of registration. You may be added to the waitlist if they are.



Cancellations: Once the \$100 deposit per person has been paid on October 15, 2017 that \$100 is non-refundable. The entire trip will be paid for by December 11, 2017. The trip is completely non-refundable after this date.

Substitutions: A chaperone who wants to cancel after the deadlines should speak with their group leader to see if there is anyone on the waitlist. If there is not, pilgrims can find their own substitute. All substitutes must be the same gender as they will be placed in the same hotel room that was designated for the original pilgrim. The substitute pilgrim should refund the original pilgrim.

General Information

Adult rooms: Two per room according to gender. Adults can designate their choice of roommate. *Please understand that not all requests can be accommodated. Married couples attending as chaperones are not guaranteed a room together, but reasonable attempts will be made to accommodate them sharing a room.*

Final Itinerary: will be e-mailed to all participants in mid-December.

Packing List:

1. Suitcase for below the bus.
2. Small bag/purse with necessities for on the bus.
3. Small blanket and pillow for the bus
4. 5 changes of warm, versatile clothes (we will be outside every day)
5. Pajamas
6. Rain Poncho
7. Winter coat, hat, gloves, scarf, and winter boots
8. Hand and foot warmers (for the day of the March and walking tour of Independence Park)
9. Hygienic Items – These should fit in your purse/small book bag and carried on the bus
10. Medications - Youth are responsible to bring and take any essential medications.
11. Activities - Bible, homework, books, playing cards or small games, etc.
12. Cell Phones, Electronic Games, iPods, etc.
 - Participants may bring iPods with headphones or portable electronic games for the bus journey. They will not be allowed to use these when visiting sites. If these technologies become a barrier to participation, they will be confiscated for the pilgrimage. Cell phones should be used discretely and infrequently. Constant texting is discouraged.
13. Meals & Spending Money
 - We recommend that you bring around \$125 to cover 11 meals and souvenirs, etc.
14. A sack dinner for the first night on the bus.
15. Snacks share with 15 people
 - Individually packaged items are strongly encouraged. Homemade products must be packaged in sturdy containers that need not be returned.
16. Non-perishable snack to eat the day of the March. Breakfast will be provided at the hotel, and we will eat dinner after the March. The March is an all-day event, and there is little opportunity for food.
17. Adult pilgrims: Photo ID and health insurance card
18. **Do Not Bring**
 - Netbooks and Laptops
 - Swimsuits