# WELCOME TO YOUR NET RETREAT





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When it comes to connecting youth to their Catholic Faith, many educators & youth ministers struggle to transmit the gospel in a way that gets to the heart. NET's team of dynamic young adults are perfectly positioned to help you reach your youth so that they open themselves up to having a personal relationship with God.

Backed by a professional Staff Team and over 600 hours of Ministry Formation, educators can lean into the NET Team's support to plant seeds of faith in their youth through the facilitation of retreats, classroom presentations and other opportunities for evangelization and discipleship.

# MISSION

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> NET CANADA CHALLENGES YOUNG CATHOLICS TO LOVE CHRIST AND EMBRACE THE LIFE OF THE CHURCH. BUT HOW?



#### SIMPLE & ENGAGING PROCLAMATION

In every retreat, young people hear that they are loved by God in a relevant, clear, and engaging way.



RELATIONAL MINISTRY

Our model is "young people ministering to young people." This allows them to build trusting relationships as peer role models.



Every retreat includes a time of prayer ministry, where youth are invited to respond to God's love for them.



#### COLLABORATION WITH LOCAL MINISTRY

You know your community best! We want to connect with your preexisting ministry as much as possible.



# RETREAT PRICING

## 4-12 HOURS

0-60 YOUTH 61-100 YOUTH \$800 \$1000

- 7—12 trained NET missionaries
- Retreat set up & clean up
- Faith based talk (various themes available)
- Small group
  discussions
- Games

- Experiential learning activities
  - Entertaining skits
  - Moving dramas
  - Live music
  - Guided prayer time
- Includes everything in a 4-12 hour retreat as well as:
  - Recreational time
  - Morning & evening prayer

**OVERNIGHT** 

**0-60 YOUTH** 

\$<u>1200</u>

 Multiple talks (various themes available)

### WEEKEND 0-60 YOUTH

\$**1600** 

Includes everything in a 4-12 hour retreat as well as:

- Recreational time
- Morning & evening prayer each day
- Multiple talks (various themes available)

# RETREAT THEMES

GR. 6–12

#### **PEACE/ANXIETY** A QUIET PLACE

Young people lead noisy, busy lives filled with expectations from friends, family, teachers, and more. In this retreat, we take a break from the noise to experience a moment of silence, where we can encounter God and know His peace.

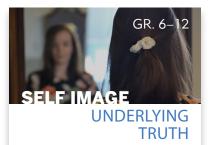
## GR. 6–12

#### WHY ME?

There is suffering in everyone's lives, and we want to meet the young people in that suffering and help them face it. We want to share with them the truth that hardships can be redemptive and that God is with them through it all.



Most youth see Confirmation as just another obligation being forced on them. In this retreat, we aim to give candidates a chance to reflect on who they are & who they want to be, and how their Confirmation is a pivotal step towards becoming the best version of themselves.



Youth today are flooded with messages about their self-image: "You're perfect just the way you are." "You are loved." "It's okay to be not okay."... But do we really believe them? In this retreat, we aim to create an authentic experience of being seen & known through activities, sharing, and then experiencing God's LOVE.



Society tells us that the purpose of life is to get a good job, start a family, make lots of money, and be happy. But what happens once we achieve that? Is that true greatness? God has a plan for each of us... How do we hear Him, and how do we have the strength to follow?

\*Overnight/Weekend Only



The team will need somewhere to stay while they are in town for your retreat(s)!

If you are booking a retreat, we ask that you coordinate a team of host families from your school or parish to house the team while they are with you.

A host family is a household that takes in 2 or more same gendered team members from the NET Team while they are in town. Many of these families have shared that this experience has been of benefit to their family. You can rest assured that these low-maintenance, relatable and good role models will be a joy for your families to host.

Please note: In the event no host families are available, the team is prepared to stay in church rectories or halls, school gyms, etc.

#### WHAT THE NET TEAM DOES

- Provides their own transportation, sleeping bag, and pillow
- Communicates their schedule and meal requirements to you
- Take care of themselves (pack their lunches, make their breakfast, help with dishes, etc.)
- The team leaders will call you close to their arrival date to provide accurate time of arrival, allergy details, etc. As well as to answer any questions.
- Have fun with your family!

#### WHAT A HOST FAMILY DOES

- Provides breakfast, bagged lunch, and dinner during the team's stay.
- Provides a place for the missionaries to sleep during their stay. (Missionaries are prepared to sleep on couches and floor spaces if no beds are available)

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NET is now part of our family. We love the NET Community. Alumni. Staff. Everything about NET is just something that's become part of the fabric of our family.

Samantha Pellegrino, Mother of 3 children

#### "

They become a part of your family.

Host Family, Brooklin, ON

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Our family is always blessed by their presence no matter how busy our schedule is. The team brings a light and a joy to our home. Their flexibility and helpfulness around the house is also a real blessing to us. I always encourage people to host.

Desmond Sanesh, Husband and father

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When we (prayed)... I will admit that I cried. But they were tears of joy. I felt like I have never felt before.

Gr. 8 male Windsor, ON

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At first I thought 'we're just getting ready for Confirmation'... What I didn't know was that I would look at my life differently because of what they presented to us.

Gr. 8 female

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... Because of today I am on my way back to the faith.

Gr. 12 female Ft. McMurray, AB

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We want to help others grow closer to Jesus by focusing on personal encounters with Christ and promoting discipleship paths. NET Canada is perfectly positioned to help us do that.

Archbishop J. Michael Miller, CBS, Archbishop of Vancouver

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I didn't think anyone cared about me until today.

Gr. 7 male Sudbury, ON

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From my perspective, it was a blessing to have the NET team facilitate a retreat which encompassed building faith while also building relationships with our students.

Teacher/Campus Minister, CISVA

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# WE'RE READY TO CHALLENGE YOUNG CATHOLICS IN YOUR SCHOOLS AND CHURCHES TO LOVE CHRIST & EMBRACE THE LIFE OF THE CHURCH BOOK TODAY

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