

CAMP SURVIVE 2023

St. Augustine | St. Joseph

Hello Families,

We are starting to gather information about the interest in Camp Survive this summer. For those who are unfamiliar, Camp Survive is our diocesan summer camp for middle school-age kids. Campers must have completed 6th grade and can attend as campers through the summer after 8th grade.

This is a week-long event filled with outdoor games and recreation, faith-enhancing talks, Mass, Adoration, confession, small group time, and tons more. Camp Survive is hosted by the Diocese of Duluth and is held at Big Sandy Camp near McGregor. This is a true summer camp experience other Catholic youth from all over northeast MN. Camp is my favorite part of summer and the highlight of the youth ministry year! If you're not sure what to expect from "church camp" visit our Facebook page to check out the photos from previous years. https://www.facebook.com/St-Joes-Youth-GRMN-154961107922533/photos/? ref=page_internal

There are 2 sessions of Camp Survive. Week 1 is held July 24-28. Week 2 is held July 31-August 4. Campers may sign up for one session. Camp is \$425 for the week with a \$50 non-refundable deposit. We offer fundraising opportunities to help offset this cost and have some scholarship funding available for students who fundraise and still fall short. We really want kids to be able to experience camp without a financial burden on families. Since my first year of camp in 2018, our kids who chose to fundraise have been able to attend camp with parents only paying the deposit out of pocket.

If your family has interest in camp, please take a few minutes to pre-register. Each parish is allotted a certain number of spots for camp so having you pre-register tells me how many to ask for. In the event that we are not able to get enough spots for everyone who pre-registers, we will go in order of the time stamp on the pre-registration. There is no money due now, deposits are collected at the main registration in May. Here's the link to pre-register: https://tinyurl.com/campsurvive2023

Students who are currently in 9th grade may apply to serve on Prayer Team and students currently in grades 10-12 can apply to serve as Junior Counselors. If you have older children who are interested in these positions, please let me know so I can make sure they get the information to apply when it comes out.

Please let me know if you have any questions. I'm looking forward to a good crew at camp again this summer.

In Christ, Lisa