

# ***New Young Apostle Application***

## ***2019-2020 School Year***



### **What is a Young Apostle?**

Our Young Apostles are juniors and seniors who have applied, interviewed, and been chosen by the Director of High School Youth Ministry. They are committed to helping with Sunday Night Youth Groups, weekly meetings, and additional leadership training in order to serve and make this Youth Group possible! By living out the Catholic faith in their daily lives through continued prayer and devotion, Young Apostles are called to be an example and witness of the faith to their peers and family.

If you desire to grow in a relationship with the person of Jesus Christ and want to be His disciples through the Sacraments, prayer, service, catechesis, and community, this is for you! It is a deep responsibility and commitment, but will challenge you to grow and stretch outside of your comfort zone.

Teen Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Primary Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Date of Birth: \_\_\_\_\_

Address, City, Zip Code: \_\_\_\_\_

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School & Grade: \_\_\_\_\_

Parent's Email: \_\_\_\_\_

**Young Apostle Application**  
**Parent Form**

**Parental Agreement**

I give permission for my child to attend and participate in High School Youth Group as a Young Apostles at St. Monica's Catholic Church. I understand that completing this application does not guarantee my child will be selected to serve as a Young Apostle this year. If they are selected, I must register my teen on stmyouth.com and pay all applicable fees. I also understand the commitment and requirements and think my child would be great candidate for this program.

**Young Apostle Commitments:**

- Attendance and participation in Sunday Night Youth Groups
- Attendance and participation in Young Apostle Meetings (Sundays, 2:30-4:30pm)
- One year of commitment to Young Apostles

Teen Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Parent/Guardian Name (Printed): \_\_\_\_\_

Parent/Guardian Name (Signature): \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Parent, please answer the following questions. These questions will help us in getting to know your son or daughter, so thank you for taking the time to answer them.

1. Why do you feel that your child would like to be a part of Young Apostles?
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
2. Please list and briefly describe two strengths and one area of improvement for your child.
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
3. The commitment to Young Apostles involves active participation during Sunday Night Youth Groups, weekly Young Apostle meetings on Sunday afternoons, and spiritual formation and growth. How do you feel that you will be able to support your child in their participation as a Young Apostle?

# Teen Question Form

Teen Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Teens, please take some time to answer these questions thoughtfully and completely.  
Type or print clearly, and feel free to use the back of the page if more space is needed.

1. Why do you want to be a Young Apostle?
2. List and describe two strengths that you would bring to the Young Apostles.
3. Describe one area of weakness that you could improve on.
4. What is one word that would describe your prayer life and relationship with God? Why does it describe your faith well?
5. In what ways does your faith influence your daily life?

Teen Name: \_\_\_\_\_

6. How do you think that being a Young Apostle would improve your relationship with God?

7. Do you see anything that could conflict with your commitment to Young Apostles this year?

8. What does being a Young Apostle mean to you?

9. What your favorite candy?

9. What your favorite fast food or coffee shop?

9. What your favorite praise and worship song?

Additional Comments:

*Kevin will contact you to schedule an interview. Interviews are required to be accepted as a Young Apostle.*

## **Catholic Church of St. Monica's Young Apostle Lifestyle Agreement**

Jesus, in His life and ministry, showed us how to live in the world while remaining dedicated to God. St. Monica's Young Apostles have chosen to use Jesus and His apostles as a model which they attempt to follow. The following commitments will challenge you to reflect the life of Christ, and by signing in agreement to all of the commitments you are choosing to live by this lifestyle.

I agree to:

- Mass attendance at least every Sunday and all Holy Days of Obligation
- At least monthly reception of the Sacrament of Reconciliation
- Demonstrating respect and obedience to Kevin, Core Team, and fellow Young Apostles
- Reaching out to teens at Youth Group and making all feel welcome
- Treating all how I would like to be treated
- Building our community by attending meetings and Youth Group regularly
- Notifying Kevin if I cannot attend meetings or Youth Group
- Committing myself to service of others during and outside of Youth Group
- Doing my best to share the good news of Jesus Christ through my words, actions, and prayer
- Being an example of Christ and His Church in my home, school, and with friends
- Following and carefully observing the teachings of the Church
- Living a lifestyle that is an example to my friends and those who come in contact with me
- Avoiding the use of alcohol, drugs, sex, pornography, profanity, negative talk, and gossip
- Running to the Sacrament of Reconciliation immediately when I fall
- Committing myself to daily prayer
- Understanding that rooting myself in Sacraments and prayer is essential to growing holiness
- Attendance and participation in Sunday Night Youth Groups and Young Apostle Meetings

I understand the listed commitments required to be a Young Apostle, and have talked about it with my parents. I have taken the time to pray and have the desire to commit to being a Young Apostle this year.

Teen Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Teen Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

**Reference for  
St. Monica's Young Apostle Applicant**

*Completed by a non-family member over 25 years of age who is familiar with the applicant's character.*

Name of Teen Applying: \_\_\_\_\_

Your Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Primary Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Email Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Relation to Applicant: \_\_\_\_\_

The above teen is applying for St. Monica's Young Apostle program. These teens are committed to growing in their faith, serving the Youth Group, and sharing their faith through example, words, and actions. Due to the seriousness of this commitment each applicant is considered carefully. Your honest and thoughtful answers to the below questions would help us to discern who should be accepted as a Young Apostle. Thank you for taking the time to complete this form.

1. What are some of the applicants personal gifts, skills, or qualities that would serve the Young Apostle program well?
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
2. Please comment on what you know of the applicant's relationship with God and their faith.
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
3. What are some areas that the applicant is in need of further growth?

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

*Contact Kevin Conner, Director of High School Youth Ministry, with any questions:  
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***Please return this form to the St. Monica's office:  
Attn: Kevin Conner, Director of Youth Ministry - 1700 Buford Highway, Duluth GA 30097***