



St. Dominic CYO
May 2024 Newsletter
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Co-ed Cabbageball– READ CAREFULLY FOR SPECIAL PROCEDURE



Overview



Cabbageball is open to anyone currently finishing 8th grade through graduating seniors. Teams are co-ed and must have a certain male/female ratio in order to comply with archdiocesan league rules and compete. Every effort is made to keep teens from the same grade level together, however if the male/female ratios is not near 50/50, teams will be rostered based on complying with league rules, not member preferences. Also, our teams are slightly “overstaffed” to take into account members being out of town during the summer so that we do not forfeit games.

Games are played once or twice a week on Monday through Thursday nights after 7pm at various parishes including St. Dominic in June and July. Church parishes register teams first, and then the archdiocese creates and published a league schedule. Therefore, we do not know the game schedule when members sign-up. If you will be out of town for more than two weeks of June and two weeks of July, please do not sign up for cabbageball.

Team Sign-up Procedure

Thanks to those who attended a sign-up meeting in April; if you attended but did not bring your permission form and \$20 team fee, you must do so by Sunday, May 19 or you will be dropped from the cabbageball teams. If you overlooked or missed the April meetings, your LAST CHANCE to sign-up to play CYO cabbageball in Summer 2024, requires the following:

- 1) Send an e-mail to info@stdominiccyo.org or text to 504-445-8345 by Sunday May 19
- 2) Drop off the permission form and \$20 team fee to the Church Office by the end of Sunday, May 19

So the bottom line...anyone without a cabbageball permission form and \$20 team fee submitted to the Church Office by May 19 will not be included in the team registration submitted to the archdiocese.

Summer Trip Update

The Summer Trip to Chicago will be July 15-20, 2024. Trip participants will receive a special e-mail during May with a draft itinerary and instructions on requesting hotel roommates. The trip meeting (youth and parents) will be in June.



Confirmation Info for Sophomores

An informational meeting for current sophomores and their parents regarding the Sacrament of Confirmation for juniors in Spring 2025 is being held on Wednesday, May 8, 2024, at 6:30 PM in St. Dominic Gym. If you are not able to attend the meeting and are interested in receiving the sacrament, please e-mail info@stdominiccyo.org fo a pre-registration packet.

2024-2025 Peer Ministry Team – Apps due May 5th; First Meeting May 8th

Applications, available on www.stdominiccyo.org, for the **2024-2025 Peer Ministry Team** are due by May 5th to the St. Dominic Church Office or e-mailed to info@stdominiccyo.org. The team's primary responsibility is to plan and staff the two annual CYO retreats. We will need new members to replace the graduating seniors. New team members will be notified by May 7, and the first team meeting will be Wednesday, May 8, 2024, at 7:00 PM in the gym.

Youth Board Meeting

The board will meet on Sunday, May 19, 2024 from 4:30 PM – 5:30 PM in the Siena Room and focus on summer planning.

New Member Welcome/Registration (for those finishing 7th grade)

Date: Sunday, May 19, 2024

Time: 6:30 PM – 10:30 PM

Place: St. Dominic Siena Room and the new Laser Tag/Game On Social in Kenner

Bring: \$60 (full registration for new members); \$25 for Laser Tag for current members



All those finishing 7th grade are invited to the **New Member Welcome on Sunday, May 19, 2024, at 6:30PM** at St. Dominic Church Siena Meeting Room; CYO Youth Board members will give an overview of the youth ministry program and **take registrations**. (Registration packets have been mailed in advance to St. Dominic 7th graders or may be downloaded and printed from the “new member registration” folder of our website and brought to the meeting.) After orientation we will travel by bus to **the new Laser Tag/Game On Social** for games and pizza. **The bus will return to St. Dominic Aquinas Hall by 10:30 PM.** Please bring the completed registration packet and \$60 dues (includes annual registration, Laser Tag, pizza, etc.) Checks should be made payable to St. Dominic CYO.

Although we encourage you to attend the welcome event, if you have a scheduling conflict, please contact Johnny at 504-813-3003 or info@stdominiccyo.org. You can go to www.stdominiccyo.org, download the documents in the “new member registration” folder, and bring completed forms to the church office. Also, if you know any other Catholic teen just finishing 7th grade that lives in the parish but does not attend St. Dominic School or PSR, please invite them to attend this activity. (This includes students at Christian Brothers, Stuart Hall, Ursuline, Academy of the Sacred Heart, Holy Cross, public schools, and non-Catholic private schools.)

Any current CYO member who wants to attend Laser Tag MUST e-mail info@stdominiccyo.org by Thursday, May 16 Plan to meet at the Siena Room at 7:30 PM and bring \$25.

Youth Leadership Awards

Congratulations to St. Dominic CYO members Kameron Callahan, Jackson Freamer, and Quinn Rosenstein, who were recognized on April 20 by Archbishop Gregory M. Aymond as Outstanding Parish Youth from St. Dominic for their leadership in our youth ministry program. Also at the ceremony, Christian Lang received the Matt Hill Athletic Leadership Award and Rachel Clark received the St. Timothy Award, recognizing her leadership contributions at the archdiocesan level in addition to her exemplary parish involvement. Earlier in April, the Knights of Columbus St. Dominic Council 3729 recognized Elise Holloway and Kameron Callahan with their Catholic Youth Leadership Awards, and both advanced to the state competition where Elise was recognized as 2nd in the entire State of Louisiana.

Summer 2024: Save the Dates

Saturday, June 8, 2024	4:00 PM Mass followed by reception until 8:00 PM in the gym celebrating Johnny's 28 years of service at Youth Minister at St. Dominic; all are invited.
Sunday, June 9, 2024	5:30 PM CYO Mass & 6:30 PM Monthly Meeting; meeting features celebration of our high school graduated and welcome of our new members who just completed 7 th grade
Sunday, July 14, 2024	5:30 PM CYO Mass & 6:30 PM Monthly Meeting
July 15-20, 2024	Summer Trip to Chicago
August 4-5, 2024	Peer Ministry Team annual training retreat
Sunday, August 11, 2024	5:30 PM CYO Mass & 6:30 PM Monthly Meeting
Saturday, August 17, 2024	28 th Annual End of Summer Lock Out

**ST. DOMINIC CYO, NEW ORLEANS, LOUISIANA
PARENTAL/GUARDIAN CONSENT FORM AND LIABILITY WAIVER**

Participant's name: _____

Birth date: _____ Sex: _____

Parent/Guardian's name: _____

Home address: _____

Student's cell phone: _____ Home phone: _____

Mother cell phone: _____ Father cell phone: _____

I, _____, grant permission for my child, _____, to participate in this parish activity that may require transportation to a location away from the parish site. This activity will take place under the guidance and direction of parish employees and/or volunteers from St. Dominic Parish. A brief description of the activity follows:

Type of event: CYO Cabbageball League

Location(s): St. Dominic, other parishes per archdiocesan schedule

Individual in charge: CYO alumni coaches coordinated by Johnny Smestad and Courtney Jansen

Duration of activity: See Archdiocesan game schedule; June – July 2024

Mode of transportation to and from event: on your own

As parent and/or legal guardian, I remain legally responsible for any personal actions taken by the above named minor ("participant").

I confirm that there are no necessary changes to the Medical Information Consent form for my child that I previously submitted. If there are any necessary changes, I will complete another Medical Information Consent form.

I agree on behalf of myself, my child named herein, and my spouse, our heirs, successors, and assigns, to indemnify, hold harmless, and defend St. Dominic Parish and The Roman Catholic Church of the Archdiocese of New Orleans, their members, directors, officers, employees, agents and representatives associated with the event arising from or in connection with the negligence and/or intentional acts of my child.

Signature: _____ Date: _____