

St. Dominic CYO August 2026 Newsletter



YOUTH BOARD NOMINATIONS AND ELECTIONS

Nominations are currently open for the eight elected officer positions on the **2025-2026 Youth Board**. Elections will be held at the August Monthly Meeting. Members may nominate themselves or someone else, and all grades are eligible. Many of these positions were held by seniors who have graduated, so there will be many openings. Nomination for grade level representatives will take place at the August Monthly Meeting.

[Click here](#) to access descriptions of each of the officer positions as well as the nomination form. All nominations are due by **August 7, 2026**.

AUGUST EVENTS

[Peer Ministry Team Training Retreat - Sunday, August 2 – Monday, August 3, 2026](#)

Time: 2 PM on Sunday through 11 AM on Monday

Place: Seashore United Methodist Assembly in Biloxi, MS

Bring: clothes, personal items, snacks, personal calendar, a Bible

[Click here to access the Permission Form.](#)

Members of the 2026-2027 Peer Ministry Team, the group which plans and leads our two annual retreats, are reminded that their training retreat is this month. You are responsible for your own transportation; contact Courtney if this is an issue.

[August Mass & Monthly Meeting \(Youth Board Elections!\) - Sunday, August 9](#)

Time: 5:30 PM CYO Mass in church followed by a meeting from 6:30-8:00 PM in the gym

This monthly meeting includes:

- Youth Board Elections
- 2026 Summer Trip slides show
- Sign-ups for Co-ed Volleyball
- Survey on Fall 2026 activities
- Pizza will be for sale before the meeting for \$1 per slice.

30th Annual End of Summer Lock Out - Saturday, August 15-Sunday, August 16

Schedule

7:00 PM - Meet at **St. Dominic School Gym** for check in

7:30 PM - Mass at **St. Dominic Church** (fulfills your Sunday obligation)

9:00 PM - Dinner at **Deanie's Seafood - Metairie**

10:30 PM - Roller skating at **Airline Skate Center**

1:00 AM - Beignets at **Morning Call - Canal Blvd.**

2:00 AM - Beach Volleyball at **Coconut Beach**

4:00 AM - Swimming, movie, pickleball, & bocce ball at **Pontchartrain Racquet Club**

6:00 AM - Lock Out ends. **Pick up at Pontchartrain Racquet Club**

- Transportation by busses
- All outside venues are closed to the public and have a security guard

Cost: \$85 (all inclusive except for Café due Monde)

- Snack bars at Airline Skate Center & PRC will be open.
- Airline Skate Center & Morning Call are *cash only*

The Annual End of Summer Lock Out is one of our oldest CYO events and is an occasion to mark the end of summer with a special community event. Unlike a “lock-in” where we stay in one place, a “lock-out” takes us on the move with multiple stops. If you’ve been out of town a lot this summer and haven’t been able to participate as much in CYO, the Lock Out is your chance to reconnect with our awesome community!

Late arrivals and earlier departures are permitted but you must notify us when you sign up; there is no change in price for partial attendance.

Sign up Link and Deadline: [Click here to sign](#) up by Wednesday, August 12. Payment is required to sign up.

All Lock Out participants must be registered CYO members. If you need to renew your CYO membership, [you can click here to access the renewal form.](#)

30th Annual Lock Out Alumni Mass

To celebrate the 30th anniversary of this event, we will begin the evening with Mass at St. Dominic where all CYO alumni are invited to join! There will also be a reception in the Siena Room following Mass for alumni. Please help us spread the word to any CYO Alumni!

[To help us plan, Alumni can RSVP here.](#)

ATHLETICS

[Co-Ed Volleyball](#)

The Archdiocesan CYO Co-ed Volleyball league will take place during September and October but sign-ups will take place this month! Volleyball games are played on weekday nights approximately once a week in September and October. Teams are open to all grades. You must have an active CYO membership to play. Younger members are encouraged to participate!

To sign up for a team, you must either sign-up at the August Monthly Meeting or text "VOLLEYBALL" to (504) 445-8345 by Friday, August 28.

PLAN AHEAD

[Leadership Meetings](#)

Peer Ministry Team Training Retreat – August 2-3

[Fall Save the Date](#) – Much more will be added

Saturday, September 25 – NOLA Catholic Youth Conference

Saturday, October 3 – Service at St. Dominic Auction

Saturday, October 25 – Service at St. Dominic Trunk or Treat

Tuesday, November 24 – Service at St. Dominic Turkey BINGO

December 27-28 – Winter Retreat

ANNOUNCEMENTS

[Ongoing Service Opportunity – PSR Classroom Assistant](#)

The Parish School of Religion (PSR) is the religion classes for children attending public and non-Catholic private schools. CYO members who would like to earn service hours can volunteer as classroom/office assistants for PSR this year on Wednesdays from 3:45 PM – 5:45 PM at Aquinas Hall.

Although occasional absences are alright, we do need your attendance to be fairly consistent from week to week. PSR begins September 9th, runs through early May, and is off for regular school holidays.

Contact Courtney if you are interested in serving as a classroom assistant for PSR

[Member Registration Renewal](#)

[CYO Registration Renewals](#) were due on July 31. If you wish to remain active in CYO (which I hope you do!) and have not turned in your renewal, please do so ASAP. Renewals are required to participate in any off-campus activity (including the Lock-Out!) and in order to participate in CYO Athletic leagues.