

OCA Pre-Lenten Youth Retreat

Located at
St. Joseph's Seminary

February 8-10, 2008

Topic: "J.O.Y." (Jesus, others, yourself) Ages: 7th-12th Grades

Dear parents and students:

We are very excited to announce the OCA 2008 Pre-Lenten retreat entitled J.O.Y. Included in this package are all of the forms necessary for participation in this year's event: Permission Slip/Release, Participant's Agreement, Directions and Packing List. Retreat participants **must** fill out the Permission Slip/Release and the Participant's Agreement.

All necessary forms, i.e., Permission Slip, Agreement & check must be received by **February 1st**.

The cost for the weekend retreat is **\$110** per student. This amount covers all lodging, activities and food for the entire retreat weekend. The Director of the retreat reserves the right to charge late fees or not accept a student if the amount is not paid in full by the specified due date.

Retreat participants are required to check-in at **7:00 PM on Friday, February 8th**. No meal will be served on Friday, the day of arrival - only snacks & refreshments. Students should eat dinner before arriving on Friday. The pick-up time on Sunday, February 10th is no later than **12:30 PM**. Parents are invited to conclude the retreat experience with their child by participating in Sunday's Divine Liturgy (10:00 AM) at Mother of God Orthodox Church (located at St. Joseph's Seminary).

Please keep in mind that students will not be allowed to leave the retreat facility unless a parent or legal guardian is there to pick them up or unless otherwise specified on the "Permission Slip" form.

Please Note: No youth will be turned away due to cost. If you find the cost to be prohibitive, simply pay the amount that you find manageable – no questions asked. This information will be kept confidential. Finally, Orthodox and non-Orthodox students are encouraged to attend. This is a great opportunity for Orthodox young people to invite a non-Orthodox friend. If you have any questions, please contact me by phone at (609) 306-4168 or by e-mail at johncassar@patmedia.net.

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