

**PARENTAL CONSENT FORM**  
**St. Christopher's Catholic Church – Youth Ministry**

Name of Event: Venture Registration 2011-12

Destination: See Reverse Side

Date & Time of Departure: See Reverse Side Cost: \_\_\_\_\_

Participant Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Age: \_\_\_\_\_  
(If you have more than one teen)

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- Registration form(s) for my teen(s) have been completely filled out and turned in for the 2011-12 school year**

As parent/guardian, you remain fully responsible for any legal responsibility, which may result from any personal actions taken by the named participant(s). As well, your son/daughter is expected to abide by the dress code and behavior expectations as laid down by the administrators of the Youth Group. In the event that is not done a parent will be called to pick up their son/daughter at the activity site.

I give my son/daughter (named above) permission to ride to and from the above event with St. Christopher's Church drivers on for the specified event on the date(s) given. I understand that he/she will be traveling by automobile. In consideration of my teen being allowed to participate in this trip, I hereby agree on behalf of myself and my teen, to release St. Christopher, the Archdiocese of Detroit, and any and all affiliated organizations, their employees, agents and representatives, including volunteer drivers (collectively "Releasees"), from any and all claims, including negligence, which may be asserted by me or my teen, or on behalf of my teen, arising from or relating to my teen's participation in the field trip. In the event this release on behalf of myself and/or my teen is held to be invalid or unenforceable, I hereby agree to indemnify and hold harmless Releasees from any and all claims, including negligence, which may be asserted by me or my teen, or on behalf of my teen, arising from or relating to my teen's participation in this field trip. This release or indemnification does not apply to claims for intentional misconduct or gross negligence; nor does this release or indemnification apply to the extent of commercial insurance coverage for any claim, but this Release or Indemnification shall apply to the extent of any self-insurance or deductible applicable to any claim.

Print Parent/Legal Guardian: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature Parent/Legal Guardian: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

I am interested in driving/ helping/ chaperoning for this event: Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_

- Volunteer driver form has been completely filled out and turned in**  
 **I have attended the Protecting God's Children Workshop\***

**Please initial all that apply for giving consent for your teen(s):**

\_\_\_\_\_ **Sunday, November 6** - Rake & Run throughout community  
12:30 – 4pm \$2 per person (cover food)

I am available to drive - # of seatbelts \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ **Sunday, December 11** – Shopping for Adopt-a-family  
7:00 – 8:30pm

I am available to drive/shop - # of seatbelts \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ **Tuesday, June 19** – Cedar Point @ Sandusky Ohio  
6:00am – 12 midnight \$60 per person

I am available to chaperone

**\*Protecting God’s Children Workshops:**

Mary Eckert, archdiocesan Safe Environments coordinator, says Protecting God’s Children workshops funded through the Catholic Services Appeal seek to deliver five messages to parents:

- Know the warning signs — such as suspicious behavior by adults, or sudden changes in children’s attitudes toward a particular adult or adults in general.
- Control access to children — so that unauthorized adults won’t be able to get to them at school or play.
- Monitor all children’s programs — to observe how adults interact with the kids, and insist all interaction take place within sight of others.
- Be aware — parents should talk to kids about what is going on in their lives, and teach them about their bodies and that they can say no.
- Communicate concerns — if they suspect inappropriate behavior on the part of adults toward children.

These workshops are available through [www.virtus.org](http://www.virtus.org) and the schedule is updated throughout the archdiocese daily. Certification is necessary for all church volunteers who work with youth every 8 years.

**\*Called to Serve™** is an exciting, interactive, skill-building workshop for teens designed to enhance skills for employment and/or volunteer ministry. Called to Serve™ is taught in our Catholic high schools and parishes. Attendance at Called to Serve™ is required for teens grades 9-12 who are church/school employees, or whose volunteer service involves children. All other teens in grades 9-12 are welcome and encouraged to attend. Teens are eligible to attend at the end of their 8<sup>th</sup> grade year.