

# Back to Earth Area Youth Council

(2 Youth per Parish)

Deadline: September 29, 2002

A Good Way to...

Meet student leaders from other parishes in the Back to Earth Area  
Enhance your leadership skills  
Become more involved in the Bigger Church  
Help build youth ministry in the Back to Earth Area  
Find ways to serve others  
Help to make decisions for more youth involvement in Church

Let the Youth Voice be heard!!

Job Responsibilities....

Recruiting other youth to Area Activities and Events  
Attending Youth Group Meetings - Nov. 19, Dec. 10, Jan. 14, March 18, April 8  
Attending Leadership Training Oct. 12 & 13 at St. Mary's Mansfield  
Oct. 27, Dec. 15, Jan. 19 & 20<sup>t</sup>, Feb. 9, March 30 – Area Events  
Be Liaisons between the Parish and Area Leadership Group  
Help with Logistics and planning at Back to Earth Area Events

What type of Youth are we looking for?

Those who wish to serve others  
Those who love participating in Youth Programs  
Those who want to see Youth Programs improve and grow in numbers  
Those who want to grow in their Faith Life

For more information or applications for this position please contact your

Parish Youth Minister or Patti Tackett [dpsst@richnet.net](mailto:dpsst@richnet.net) or 419-347-3910  
Or 7324 Sawyer Rd., Tiro, OH 44887

# Back to Earth Area Youth Council Application

(2 Youth per Parish)

Send to: Parish Youth Minister or Parish Office

**Due Date: Postmarked on or before September 29, 2002**

Applicant's Name \_\_\_\_\_

(first)

(middle)

(last)

Street Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Phone (day): \_\_\_\_\_ E-Mail: \_\_\_\_\_

Year of graduation: \_\_\_\_\_ Home Parish \_\_\_\_\_

Street address of Parish: \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Mother's  
Name \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Father's  
Name \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

*Please read through these questions first before answering them.*

Can you commit to these meeting dates:

Youth Group Meetings  
Nov. 19, Dec. 10, Jan. 14, March 18, April 8  
Leadership Training Oct. 12 & 13 at St. Mary's Mansfield

Back to Earth Area Events - Oct. 27, Dec. 15, Jan. 19 & 20, Feb. 9, March 30

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What are some things you think that would bring young people to more area events? \_\_\_\_\_

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Why should you be chosen?

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What does the statement "We exist to serve" mean to you?

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What do you think you would add to the Youth Council of Back to Earth?

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Why do you want to be a member of the Back to Earth Youth Council?

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I am aware of the responsibilities of Youth Council and I take them seriously. I realize that this is a long commitment, and that I need to be present at all mandatory Youth Council Meeting Dates,

Signature of Applicant \_\_\_\_\_

Signature of Parent/Guardian \_\_\_\_\_

I believe that \_\_\_\_\_(applicant) is a strong leader in our Parish Community and I would recommend them for the Back to Earth Youth Council.

Signature of Pastor\_\_\_\_\_

Signature of Youth Minister\_\_\_\_\_

# Back to Earth Youth Council

## Drug free/Chaste Lifestyle Pledge

I \_\_\_\_\_ (applicant), pledge to maintain a drug free/ chaste lifestyle. As a Youth Council Applicant, I agree that in order to be a positive role model, I will not use alcohol, tobacco or other drugs. I further promise to live a chaste lifestyle. I understand that if I choose to use alcohol, tobacco or other drugs, or live an unchaste lifestyle, I will face disciplinary action, which includes possible expulsion from Youth Council.

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Applicant's Signature

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Date

As a parent of \_\_\_\_\_ (applicant), I affirm the pledge my son or daughter has taken. I will do all in my power to encourage my son/daughter to live a drug free/chaste lifestyle. I am also aware of the consequences if my son/daughter chooses to live otherwise.

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Parent/Guardian Signature

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Date

September 2, 2002

Dear Prospective Applicant

We are very excited to be putting this Youth Council together for the Back to Earth Area. We believe that you – the youth of our parishes – have many gifts and talents to share with many in the Back to Earth Area. We need you to help us to act as liaisons between your parish and our Area Leadership Group. We can take things to your parishes and bring ideas from your parishes to our Group. We can work together and think of ways to involve our area youth, spiritually, socially, or in service.

Your main job as Youth Council Rep is to recruit as many youth as you can to attend these events that we will be planning for the year. Your leadership and encouragement will bring the youth to these events. The youth have an important role in our church and we want to give you the training to be a bigger part of the liturgies, to learn leadership skills and to experience the whole church. Getting the youth involved in the Diocese Events can really broaden their horizons!

Let the Youth Voice be heard!!

Some of your responsibilities as a Youth Council Rep will be to RECRUIT the YOUTH to attend these events – be a positive role model and they will follow your lead. You will also have to be available to attend the meetings listed on the application and Leadership Training, which will be held at St. Mary's in Mansfield on Oct. 12 & 13. We will need your help with Logistics and planning at the Back to Earth Area Events.

Each Parish will elect or choose the two youth who they think would be great leaders for our Back to Earth Youth Council. Simply fill out the application and hand it into your parish office and it is up to each parish to decide who should be the two Youth Council Reps from the parish. They will give us the two names by Sunday, September 29<sup>th</sup>, 2002.

This year will be a short term due to the fact that we are starting later. Normally we will begin with the new Youth Council on June 1. Then we will have council to recruit youth to go to Youth Conference and work on tokens!

Do you think this is the job for you? Are you tired of not having participation of youth in Youth Activities or Church Projects? Are you ready to jump on board and “Make a Difference”? Do you want to feel a real part of your parish and help others to become involved?

Make the Commitment to the Back to Earth Youth Council.....it'll change your life!

Any questions please contact your Parish Youth Minister or Patti Tackett – [dpsst@richnet.net](mailto:dpsst@richnet.net), 419-347-3910, or 7324 Sawyer Rd., Tiro, OH 44887.

Come and join us as we “Make a Difference” in someone’s life!!!

In His Service,

Patti