

Dear Parents and Students of POWER Youth Group:

It is so hard to believe that we are half-way through our time together in POWER this year. But just because its hard to believe doesn't change the facts. And we have *a lot* of exciting plans for POWER from now until May.

Before I begin, I need to again stress the importance of parental involvement during our meetings. The bottom line is, per Diocesan ruling and "Protecting God's Children" guidelines, I will not be able to continue POWER without volunteers. I appreciate all your support in this area and ask you to prayerfully consider donating some time with the youth group. With more help, each person will be asked to give less. Thank you.

Also, I NEED to have all permission forms signed and back to me. These are available in the youth room. Most of you have already done this, so please just skip down. These forms are especially needed for the new events we will be trying out- without signed forms, I will not be able to let you join us for them!

Onto the real news-

**\*Tuesday February 16<sup>th</sup>, March 16<sup>th</sup>, and April 20<sup>th</sup>**, POWER will be meeting at the Abortion clinic in Aurora to pray for the innocent children that are slain in the name of "comfort and convenience" for misinformed and misguided mothers. This year we will have passed 37 years of legalized abortion in our country, and we in Aurora have the "privilege" to have the largest clinic in the United States in our backyard. But that's ok because God has called the people of Aurora to take a stand for life and He knows that we are capable of great things, starting with the shutdown of that death-shop. Our time for silence is up. Through our unyielding prayer as a faith community, I promise that, with God's grace, we *will* see the closing of that horrific clinic.

**\*Tuesday March 30<sup>th</sup>**, POWER will once again take a night to FEED [GOD'S] STARVING CHILDREN! Please take a look at the enclosed letter for more specific information. We have more room this year due to demand. I really look forward to this great service project!

**\*Each Sunday during Advent** the Youth Group will lead a Rosary in front of the church after 11am Mass. This is a great way for each of us to grow in our relationship with and love for God. Everyone in the church is invited to join POWER for this beautiful time in prayer.

**\*CAMP WOW!** Space is still available! Sign up today to guarantee a great, God-filled week this summer!

Finally, during the winter months last year, I had a heck of a time being sure that everyone was in the loop regarding cancellation information. This year, I plan to remedy that by **emailing** everyone by no later than 5:00pm *that day* whether or not we have cancelled. If it be God's will, we will hopefully have a few less weeks cancelled because of weather.

May God Bless you and your families,

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