

## **WELCOME to St. Ann Youth Ministry!!!**

First, **THANK YOU** for volunteering!!! We are so excited that you've felt God calling you to work with our youth!!!

Things as you know have changed in recent years and because of the current climate in our church with the recent scandals, the Church has had to take extra precautions with anyone involved in working in the Church and especially working with our youth.

The following steps are required to work with the youth:

1. Complete the Volunteer Service Application and turn into the Parish Secretary, Susie Jensen. She works Monday through Friday from 8:30am – 12:30pm.
2. Call the Ridgecrest Police Department at 499-5100 to schedule a finger printing appointment. You will need to provide them with the form attached. There is a fee and the church will reimburse you.
3. You will need to take the 2 hour training for Safe Environment mandated by the Diocese. It may be done on line at your convenience. The website is <http://humanservices.ucdavis.edu/resource/camrt/index.asp>  
You will need to start the registration process and then they will send you a confirmation e-mail. It is at this point that you will follow the directions.  
The website will say, "Welcome to the Child Abuse Mandated Reporter Training – California" and then you will need to choose the "General Training". When you have completed the course you will need to print the certificate and turn it in to Parish Secretary, Susie Jensen.  
OR  
You may check out a CD from the St. Ann school office. Watch it and complete the questionnaire. Return to Susie in the parish office.
4. Sign the Diocese of Fresno Code of Conduct contract. Return to the Parish Secretary.
5. **DRIVERS ONLY.**  
Please complete the Parish Volunteer Driver Statement and attach the following:
  - a. a copy of your driver's license
  - b. a copy of your vehicle registration
  - c. a copy of your current auto insurance policy

Once you have completed all of the above and your fingerprints have been cleared you will be able to work with youth unsupervised. You will only need to be updated yearly in the Safe Environment training after the initial 2 hour session.

Thank you and God Bless you again for volunteering.

In Christ,  
Theresa Wheeler, cell 382-7927  
Office of Youth Ministry  
St. Ann Roman Catholic Church

ALL 4 GOD !!!