

PANAMA, JANUARY 22-27\*, 2019

# WORLD YOUTH DAY



ST AUGUSTINE'S  
YOUTH MOVEMENT

## LET'S GO!

### What is world youth day?

World Youth Day (WYD) is a worldwide pilgrimage encounter with the Pope which is typically celebrated every three years in a different country. The next World Youth Day will be held in Panama in January 2019.

WYD is open to all who want to take part in a festive encounter with their contemporaries centred on Jesus Christ. This event is an opportunity to experience in first person the universality of the Church; to share with the whole world the hope of many who want to commit themselves to Christ and others. World Youth Day is a unique way to deepen your faith and grow closer to Christ, by means of prayer and the sacraments, together with thousands of other young people who share your interests and ambitions.

### What is a pilgrimage?

A pilgrimage is a journey a pilgrim makes to a sacred place for the purpose of venerating it or to ask for heavenly aid, and ultimately to come to know God better. In the past, pilgrims would leave their homes, families, and comforts to walk for hundreds of miles with nothing but what they could carry on their backs. Just as the pilgrims from the early centuries, we modern pilgrims also leave our homes, families and comforts in order to journey to sacred places.

## I'M IN! SIGN ME UP!

- Start coming to WYD group meetings
- Sign a code of conduct form
- Submit a \$300 commitment fee (can be flexible and can be worked off through fundraisers) by Dec 15, 2017

Questions?  
[wyd@staugustineschurch.ca](mailto:wyd@staugustineschurch.ca)

### Who can go?

- Pilgrims over the age of 19 by January 2019 (or someone accompanied by a legal guardian that will participate in the pilgrimage)
- Able to commit 3-7 hours per month, leading up to world youth day
- Willing to grow in faith and fellowship before, during and after the pilgrimage

### Are you called to go?



#### What's involved?

The pilgrimage experience starts now and will be primarily focused on spiritual and fellowship development. The group will have an opportunity explore different faith formation, prayers, fundraising ideas and outreach causes that we will take charge in.

While not everyone will be able to go to Panama in 2019, everyone in the parish and within our friends and families are welcome to participate in this amazing journey.

#### How much will it cost?

Since the \*itinerary of the group is still tentative, the exact cost is still pending. Flight, basic accommodation and WYD registration will at least be \$2000 CAD, excluding costs of meals. We will require milestone payments every few months in order to confirm your commitment.

The pilgrimage will be costly so we will need to start fundraising right away. Raised funds will be pooled in a group account and will be divided within the pilgrims based on their volunteer participation.

### When's the next meeting?

[staugustineschurch.ca/wyd](http://staugustineschurch.ca/wyd)

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## PILGRIM CODE OF CONDUCT | SUBMIT BY DEC 15, 2017

As a member of the archdiocesan delegation to World Youth Day and a member of the St. Augustine's Youth Movement pilgrimage, I acknowledge that I am an ambassador of my parish and the Archdiocese of Vancouver. The delegation depends on the cooperation of all pilgrims to help serve as a network of support. I will show respect for God, others and places at all times and behave responsibly and participate actively in the events. I also agree to:

- Participate in the faith and fellowship development of the group prior and during the pilgrimage.
- Speak and behave in a way that exemplifies Christian values.
- Limit physical contact with others to what is appropriate for the situation and to what is unambiguously non-sexual and does not cause discomfort or stress to the recipient and/or others.
- Dress modestly.
- Refrain from drug use or alcohol abuse. If consuming alcohol I will exercise prudence when appropriate for a spiritual pilgrimage; possession of drugs (except medication) and poor behaviour from intoxication will not be tolerated.
- Comply with the directives from my Group Leader.
- Inform the Group Leaders if leaving the group and, if aged 18, obtain permission from the Group Leader to go anywhere unsupervised.
- Sleep in rooms as assigned by Parish Group Leaders and remain in my assigned room after curfew on each night of the pilgrimage.
- Cover my expenses for alternate travel plans should I be asked by the Group Leader to leave the delegation.

**I understand that any disregard for the above will result in discipline or removal from the delegation.**

Pilgrim Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone number: \_\_\_\_\_

Date of birth (yyyy/mm/dd): \_\_\_\_\_ Parish: \_\_\_\_\_

**If the pilgrim is under the age of 19 upon departure, he/she must be accompanied by a legal guardian or companion that will also fully participate in the pilgrimage and will also abide the pilgrim code of conduct.**

Parent's Name (if pilgrim is under the age of 19): \_\_\_\_\_ Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Pilgrimage companion's Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

### Commitment Fee:

\_\_\_\_\_ Attached is a \$300 cash or cheque to St. Augustine's Church that will go towards my trip cost.

\_\_\_\_\_ I have arranged an alternative payment arrangement with the group leader.