



Fr. Bernard Youth Center

15 Years of Serving in the Storms

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Thankfulness finds its full measure in generosity of presence, both through participation and witness.

David Whyte in Consolations, 2015

This is an odd time.

We know there is light ahead, that the rules and restrictions regarding COVID are slowly lifting despite its setbacks. We are vaccinated, and are welcoming back the groups and parishes who have been holding back and staying home over the past year.

The Easter readings are all about the disciples spreading the story of Jesus' resurrection that filled them with joy. It is a call for us to do the same, to enthusiastically spread the Word, be present to our retreatants, and witness to the young people who use our facility.

We've cut expenses, controlled costs, and gotten federal loans, all of which have kept us open and our staff employed. Our donors have stepped up with generous contributions that have made a significant difference in our ability to continue our mission to reach out to young people. And for that, you have been a witness to us, to not give up on our future, to not give up on the dream that a small group of laypeople, working with Fr. Bernard Sander, created 15 years ago.

We continue to rely on your prayers and help as our program revenue slowly returns to its pre-Covid level. For you and all the ways you have helped and supported us, thank you. May "Good measure, pressed down, shaken together, running over...be measured back to you. (Lk 6:37-38).

In Gratitude,

S. Jeanine

Auction Update



We had a great time during our Virtual Auction on April 11. A big THANK YOU goes out to our sponsors, donors, bidders, and those who shared about what FBYC means to them. If you would like to watch the video visit: fbyc.info/auction

SAVE THE DATE

Annual Auction 2022

March 12, 2022

We have booked the Festhalle and look forward to enjoying a wonderful evening with you.

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Join the Event Committee
contact Gerard at
gerard@fbyc.info or
503-845-5443

Looking for the Right Candidates

Youth Minister - Part Time

Know someone who would be great working on the FBYC team to help youth develop their faith?

We are hiring a Youth Minister to oversee programs, retreats and workshops offered by FBYC, including Totus Tuus, Confirmation Retreats, and Middle School Camp.

For more information: fbyc.info/jobs

Board of Director

FBYC has been led by laypeople since its founding. Our board of directors provide the wisdom and leadership to guide the organization into the future. Would you consider dedicating some of your time to serve as a board member?

If you or someone you know is a good candidate for this crucial ministry, please contact Sr. Jeanine. [Sr. Jeanine@fbyc.info](mailto:Sr.Jeanine@fbyc.info) or 503-845-5441

WELCOME HOME BBQ

August 27, 2021 5-8 pm

We would like to celebrate your kindness in helping FBYC through these challenging times.

Join us for a barbecue dinner, tours of the new facilities, and celebrating 15 years of ministry at Fr. Bernard Youth Center.

More details and invitations coming soon.



New Mary Statue



As part of the 2020 Fund A Need to improve the outdoor area, we received a new statue of Mary, the frame was upgraded and the water pump was replaced.

Many thanks to those that supported this project!

Mater Dei Radio Spring Sharathon Gift

The Fr. Bernard Youth Center was selected as a partner in the Mater Dei Radio "Catholics Care" Initiative during their Spring Sharathon which included receiving a \$2000 gift for ministries. We are grateful for the generosity of the station and its listeners and encourage all to tune in.