

# Mother Teresa Youth Group Fundraiser Policy

All youth in grades 7-12 interested in participating in Youth Group activities/trips are encouraged to take part in the Youth Group Fundraisers to help raise money toward their participation in those activities/trips. Many youth have successfully paid for most or all of their Youth Group activities/trips by participating in the fundraising activities offered. Parents/Grandparents are encouraged to participate in the fundraisers as well and the proceeds from their assistance are credited toward their son/daughter's Youth Group account.

Upon participating in their first fundraiser, each youth has a 'Youth Group account' established by the Youth Minister under which the proceeds from their participation are credited for use toward future Youth Group activities. The proceeds can be used for Youth Group and/or Archdiocesan events such as Youth Rallies, Activities, Conferences/Trips, Retreats, Camp Tekakwitha, TEC, etc. To utilize funds for events, simply request 'charge my youth account' on sign-up forms or contact Nancy Ruoff at [nancyr@mtcctopeka.org](mailto:nancyr@mtcctopeka.org) with your request.

## Detail Guidelines:

- 1) The net proceeds for a fundraiser are split among the youth/parents who worked at the fundraiser (usually by hours worked). Opportunities may be available to sell/raise funds individually at times and details of such opportunities will be specified in the fundraiser information.
- 2) Youth who are in need of service hours are encouraged to assist with fundraisers but are not allowed to receive service hours and payment for the same time worked. Hours worked for a single fundraiser can be split between service and fundraising (i.e. 2 hours service and 2 hours fundraising = 4 total hours worked at the fundraiser)
- 3) If more than one child from a family is participating in youth activities, any funds raised are credited to a 'family' account which will remain active until the youngest child graduates from high school. Any funds remaining in the youth account at that time revert to the Youth Group Scholarship Fund.

Questions regarding the Youth Group fundraising policy, Youth Account balances, etc. may be directed to Nancy Ruoff at [nancyr@mtcctopeka.org](mailto:nancyr@mtcctopeka.org) or via phone/text at 806.4986.