

BECOME A CHARIS PARTNER

Services Provided by Charis Ministries:

As a member of the Partner Program, you will receive guidance, services and training from Charis, including:

- ▶ Training through webinars and the guidance of a Charis Retreat Expert for a Core Team assembled by the partner. Core Team members handle event details and logistics and identify and form the Retreat Team of young adults who will lead the retreat.
- ▶ Retreat materials including *The Retreat Leader's Guide* and retreat manuals.
- ▶ Editable templates for retreat handouts, online retreat participant registration, and an event page for your retreat on www.charisministries.org.
- ▶ Marketing materials such as templates for flyers for direct mail or electronic communication.
- ▶ A support network of Charis partners throughout the country.

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"We knew our experiment of offering Charis retreats had worked when we had full houses of vibrant young adults leaving the retreat with a sense of peace."

Ignatius House, Atlanta, GA

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A Jesuit ministry to those in their 20s & 30s

PARTNER PROGRAM

Collaborating to nurture the faith of young adults through retreats



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ABOUT CHARIS MINISTRIES

MISSION:

Charis Ministries nurtures the life-long desire of men and women in their 20s and 30s for spiritual growth through a closer friendship with Jesus Christ using the gifts of Ignatian Spirituality.

- ▶ Founded in 2000 by Fr. Michael Sparough S.J.
- ▶ Recognized for “Best Practices in Young Adult Ministry” by the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops.
- ▶ Charis offers retreats designed to meet the specific needs of people in their 20s and 30s.



“After 23 years of being a Catholic, the Charis retreat was finally where I truly, honestly, wholeheartedly accepted Christ into my life.”

-Raymond, What Next Retreat



THE CHARIS RETREAT MODEL

Charis retreats are based on the Spiritual Exercises of St. Ignatius Loyola and are peer-led. All participants make the retreat. In this sense, each retreat is a facilitated group process rather than a “preached” series of talks or presentations. The retreats attend to the concrete, lived experiences and personal history of the participants and invite them to enter into an intimate relationship with God. The retreats encourage reflection on life experience through peer talks, silent reflection, small group discussion, Catholic teaching, and ritual and prayer.

Retreats Include:

The Seeker’s Retreat

Who Do You Say That I Am?

What Next? Finding Answers with Faith
Spirit@Work

Choosing to be Catholic
For the Least
Catholic School Teachers Retreat



RETREATS INCLUDE:

The Seekers Retreat

The retreatant is invited to look at his or her life and see where God has been present, where God is currently active, and where God is calling. *Young Adults feel pulled in many directions. Retreatants are invited to reflect on questions such as: What’s important in my life? What am I looking for? Where does God fit in?*

Who Do You Say That I Am?

This Retreat focuses primarily on the person of Jesus, and retreatants are invited to name for themselves who Jesus is to them. *Retreatants explore images of Christ - Jesus as a healer, Jesus as a servant, Jesus offering forgiveness. Retreatants examine how they are called to be “Christ-like” in their relationships and responsibilities.*

What Next? Finding Answers with Faith

This retreat uses the Paschal Mystery as a frame-work to reflect on the many transitions those in their 20s and 30s experience. *Situations are ever changing for young adults. This retreat gives them tools to reflect on their past and move forward with courage and grace, developing resiliency through faith.*



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