

ENGLISH MARTYRS CATHOLIC CHURCH

Tuffley Lane, Tuffley, Gloucester, GL2 4NX

RULES FOR OUR YOUTH GROUP

MISSION STATEMENT

" THE AIM OF THIS GROUP IS TO PROVIDE OUR YOUTH WITH AN OPPORTUNITY TO ENJOY THE COMPANY OF THEIR PEERS, IMPROVE THEIR COMMUNION AND INTERGRATING ABILITIES WHILE ENHANCING AND IMPROVING THEIR OWN PERSONAL SKILLS WITH THEIR PEERS WITHIN A SAFE AND SECURE ENVIRONMENT. "

YOUTH GROUP RULES

1. The group is open to any youth currently in full-time education and in years 7 - 13 who attend church in the Parishes of English Martyr's Tuffley, St Augustine of Canterbury Matson, St Peter's Gloucester, St Patrick's Brockworth, Our Lady of Perpetual Succour Churchdown or attend St Peter's Catholic High School and Sixth Form College.
2. All those attending the Group are required to show respect to all the Adults running the Group and their Peers at all times.
3. Respecting Confidentiality.
4. Be welcoming and include new members to the group.
5. To be understanding of each others differences.
6. Do not use sexually inappropriate language or innuendos.
7. Not to take photo's without permission.

8. Not to part take in Video calls during sessions.
9. Avoiding getting involved in any gossip of any kind.
10. Respect each other's personal space and boundaries at all times.
11. Not to use the Youth Group as a romantic place.
12. Not Swearing or using violent, bullying or abusive behaviour/language.
13. Not using drugs and/or alcohol before or during sessions.
14. Ensure that only appropriate online content is being viewed/used.
15. Not making assumptions about anyone's gender identify or sexual orientation.

These are our Priority ground rules but there may be other behaviours not covered that may require action if the Youth group is made unsafe as a result of.

What Happens if the Ground Rules get Broken ?

If a Youth member breaks the ground rules it may make the Adults or the other mebers feel unsafe and if this happens it may be necessary to take the following actions.

1. If a Youth member breaks the rule they will receive a warning from one of the Adults.
2. If a Youth member consistently breaks the rules or makes the group unsafe in any way, they will be asked to leave that session immediately. Any Youth that has been asked to leave a session will be required to have a one to one with the Group leader to review the situation and to determine when/if it is possible for them to return.
3. In cases of serious misconduct, it may be decided that groups are not appropriate for that person and they will be suspended for a period or time that will be decided by the adults or asked to leave.

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