

Ministry Position Title: York-Simcoe Youth Ministry Area Coordinator(s)

Term of Office: Two-year renewable contract

Supervision and Support:

Direct report to: Bishop Peter Fenty

Supported by: Member of York-Simcoe Area Council Works with: Bishop's Youth Ministry Committee

Purpose of the position:

The purpose of this position is to strengthen youth ministry in York-Simcoe. This will be done primarily by engaging and equipping paid and volunteer youth leaders to nurture the faith formation of youth in their home parishes and to find ways to strengthen youth ministry in the Area. The Area Coordinator(s) will develop, nurture and maintain communication with parishes to support and animate youth ministry. The Area Coordinator(s) will also be an active member of the Diocesan Bishop's Youth Ministry Committee, which plans youth events and promotes youth ministry in the Diocese. The Area Coordinator(s) encourages young people to develop as disciples in Christ and leaders in our church.

Duties & Responsibilities:

- Develop, nurture and maintain communication with parishes and youth leaders using email, phone contact, in-person visits, social media and monthly newsletter.
- Visit parishes to support and equip parish youth ministry.
- Encourage and support youth leaders through events where leaders can share experiences, successes, and resources, which will include the Area VBS Program.
- Provide information and expertise on youth ministry and confirmation curriculum resources.
- Support parishes in recruiting volunteer or paid youth leaders.
- Use current technology (website, Facebook, etc.) to communicate and inform youth and youth leaders about upcoming events.
- Be an active member of the Bishop's Youth Ministry Committee to plan Diocesan youth events and advocate for youth ministry within the Diocese.
- Liaise with Area Council and Area Deaneries on relevant events pertaining to youth. Help to recruit youth members for Area Council.
- Help to recruit area youth members that will attend Synod as the Area Bishop's Youth Delegates.



- Attend Synod as a non-voting Lay Delegate, be present with and support all youth delegates.
- Promote Diocesan policies and procedures under the Responsible Ministry: Screening in Faith policy.

Skills, Experience and Qualities Required:

- Theological training an asset, ideally in Christian youth ministry
- Working knowledge of adolescent development and youth culture
- Proven successful experience working with youth in a Christian setting
- Willingness to become familiar with the norms, structures, values and worship of the Anglican Church, and to acquire knowledge of relevant diocesan canons
- Excellent written, oral and interpersonal skills
- Ability to work independently with minimal supervision
- Knowledge of and ability to use current social media platforms.
- Access to a reliable internet connection.
- Committed to continuous learning and professional development
- A satisfactory Police Record Check obtained through the Diocesan-approved process
- Driver's License Required

Competencies

- A vibrant Christian faith and the ability to articulate that faith in compelling ways.
- A passion for youth ministry and for growing youth ministry in York Simcoe.
- The ability to support parishes in connecting with young people within and outside of the church.
- A commitment to ongoing spiritual growth and professional development.
- Strong interpersonal, communication, and listening skills.
- Ability to work independently and good time management skills.
- Excellent initiative and outreach skills.
- A sensitivity to people of diverse backgrounds, and an ability to work with parishes of varying theological traditions.
- The ability to relate to youth, their families, and parish leadership.
- The ability to set and maintain personal and professional boundaries.
- The ability to promote youth ministry job positions and recruit potential youth leaders.

Terms of work/service:

Part-time: 7.5 hours per week **Full-time:** 15 hours per week