



GUILDFORD YOUTH MINISTRY

WHERE WE ARE NOW

Age appropriate programmes for young people to find out more about who Jesus is, make friends and together learn how to live their faith...

What we are.

Guildford Youth Ministry (GYM) is all about offering young people aged 7-18 opportunities to grow in faith and love of the Church in a fun and dynamic way. GYM is leading the way in the Diocese and the country with a full-time coordinator, a range of dynamic initiatives including weekly youth programmes and retreats.

What we offer.

GYM offers three programmes where faith teaching, discussion, expression and prayer are at the centre of the sessions. GYM provides weekly formational programmes for children in school years 3-5 (GYM-jams), school years 6-9 (jGYM) and school years 10-13 (GYM). We also have two retreats for school years 6-9 (iDAMASCUS weekend away) and school years 10-13 (DAMASCUS summer camp).

What we do.

At GYM-jams and jGYM we have a cooked meal, fun activities, faith teaching, small group discussion and a time of prayer.

At GYM we have inspiring and challenging teaching and discussion about faith and life. We also have times of worship, prayer and reflection as well as lots of time to chill out and make friends.

**Let's continue to grow the youth ministry for our children and young people! Can you help us?
Contact Aseel for more information**

FOR AGES 7-18



School yrs 3-5

Mondays, 5.30-7pm

Fun, Faith and Friendship



School yrs 6-9

Fridays, 6-8pm

God, Grub and Games



School yrs 10-13

Fridays, 8-10pm

Space to be you

**DAMASCUS
Youth Events**

Retreats School yrs 6-13

**CHILDREN, YOUTH & FAMILIES
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CHILDREN, YOUTH & FAMILIES MINISTRY

A NEW VISION

As we come together as one parish we present to all church communities a new vision for children, youth and families. Now that a very successful youth ministry has been established we now hope to offer more for parents and families. The Diocese and beyond are looking to our parish to become a model for the vision for children, youth and families ministry that we will develop. In order to develop family ministry across the one parish, our Youth Coordinator, Aseel, will take the additional responsibility of Coordinator of Children, Youth and Family Ministry.

I invite you to support this new and exciting initiative with your prayers, your time and talents and financial backing.

Fr Colin Wolczak & the Clergy team

Children, Youth and Families First Steps...

A new way of doing First Holy Communion.

Parents are empowered to become primary catechists where they will sit with their child and take them through the session.

Online resources to carry on the conversation as a family at home.

Continuing to support parents after the session are complete.

Children, Youth and Families team.

A core team has been set up to support the children, youth and families coordinator, to vision, plan and develop activities and programmes with and for the families of the parish of Guildford.

Family days.

For all families across the parish. To have fun together, to learn more together about the life of the Church, to support parents with short workshops on helping to grow children in faith.

Our vision is to see children and young people grow into the fullness of who they are called to be in all aspects of their lives.

Children, young people and their families are the present and the future of the Church.

We place and endorse a high value on family life and aim to demonstrate this in all our ministries and activities.

We seek to support parents as the first and best teachers of their children. We seek to help parents to have the confidence to truly encounter the risen Christ, thereby being able to transmit the faith by word and deed.

Our vision is to re-imagine Church, where the transformation of children, youth and their families results in a transformation of the Church itself.

Would you like to help with children, youth and family events?

We urgently need help with cooking & serving refreshments.



We need help with children's activities/running crèche's.



Would you like to be involved in planning and developing family ministry in the parish? Then join the children, youth and families team.

Contact Aseel
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