



Adult Core Team: One of the most common questions is what are the responsibilities and time commitment required to be on Core. Generally speaking, there are three areas of commitment: to God, to the teens, and to the program.

Commitment to God: A Core member must first and foremost have a commitment to God, the Church, and their spiritual growth. **Commitment to the teens:** This ministry demands a willingness to be involved in relational ministry with the teens - willing to connect with teens not only socially but spiritually as well. **Commitment to the Life Teen Ministry:** Finally it is important that Core members work as a team with the youth minister to provide quality ministry to teens. This includes helping to plan Life nights and retreats, and being present and involved with other weekly activities. Although there are significant time commitments, this ministry should never supersede a Core member's primary vocation to family.

Musicians: The role of a worship leader both in Mass and Life Teen events is vital. A good leader is one who can lead prayer, one who can usher others into the presence of God. He or she is one who can develop a music ministry and knows how to present sing-able and appropriate liturgical music. The music at the youth Mass is to enhance the liturgy, not presented as a "show".

Parents: The first youth ministers for teens are their mothers and fathers. Parents are the first teachers of the faith to their children. So we work in union with parents to provide an environment where young people's social, emotional, and spiritual growth is nurtured. The **Parent Life** group strives to present parents opportunities to not only draw closer to Christ but also to support youth ministry in the parish.

Teen Leaders: It is important to develop leaders among the teens and give them opportunities to use their leadership skills within the program. These teens are not necessarily set apart with the title of "teen leader," but the youth minister and the Core know that they can rely on these teens to help with liturgical ministries, Life Nights, skits, videos, and other events.

Intercessory Team: It is vital to have a group of committed to supporting youth ministry through prayer. This group prays for the Core team needs of the Core Team and the teens of the Parish.

Environment Team: Artistically talented or good with tools? Having an environment team to take on special projects for time to time would be an amazing gift.

Marketing: This may seem a bit corporate, but we need people who have good marketing skills. Having a team to get the word out can only help Life Teen at SVdP grow.

Graphic Design: This helpful ministry would be an occasional commitment for those with this talent. Someone to designs interesting flyers, t-shirts, and posters would be much appreciated.

Photographer Videographer: At Life Nights or youth events we would like help with photos and/or videos. These will be posted to the parish youth ministry website, Facebook page, etc. Having a few photographers and/or videographers would be a real blessing for our ministry.

Service and Outreach: We will need someone to help coordinate service projects such as visits to the homeless shelter, mission trips, Food Fasts, and other service projects. We are looking for parents and adults who can assist with monthly, quarterly or annual service projects.

Cooks & Food Servers: Food will always be a huge part of youth ministry so we are always I need of volunteers and parents to cook. Individuals or families can sign up on a rotating basis to help cook and serve the simple meals on Life Nights or on retreats.

Coordinator of Liturgy Volunteers: This person would help coordinate the teens who will serve as the various liturgical ministers. This person may help schedule the necessary training and create schedules of the teen lectors, altar servers, etc.