## 2023 Diocesan Camping Ministry

Dear Pastors, Principals, Catechetical Leaders, and Parish Staff:

It is with great joy and excitement that we announce that the camping ministry held at our diocesan camp property in Huttonsville will continue for another year. This year, we will have five (5) weeks of Camp Carlo, the diocesan summer youth camp, along with a number of weeks when some of our parishes will conduct their own summer camps on the property.

Campers are currently being registered, and some wonderful, young, faith-filled counselors have already been hired. Preparations are certainly underway! I thank our new Director, Deacon Raymond Godwin, and our new Assistant Director, Miss Maggie Moran, for their tremendous work in preparing and eventually directing the weeks of camp.

They, along with the counselors they hire, are a blessing to the diocese. I know that they, once again, will do everything they can to mitigate the chances of the spread of the COVID virus at our camps. We hope numbers will continue to grow, as we believe our camping ministry is a beautiful tool of the diocese to lead young people to Christ Jesus and to bring them into membership in our Church. Thank you for your support in this ministry, and God bless you.

In Christ's Service,

Daniel Maul, Director of the Office of Evangelization and Catechesis

## **Dear Fellow Catholics,**

It's an exciting time to be a young Catholic in West Virginia! The summer of 2023 is an incredible time to lead young people to Christ and His Church. The motto chosen by Pope St. Paul VI for his church life perfectly describes the goal of our camping ministry: to be "with Him on the mountain."

Camp Carlo provides an exciting opportunity for young people to encounter Christ and His Church, adventure through God's creation, and grow in their Catholic faith alongside peers from all over the state of West Virginia.

We're looking forward to meeting you and your families as we travel the state, work with your parishes, and, hopefully, welcome your children back to another faith-filled summer at Blessed Carlo Acutis Youth Camp!

In Christ Our King,

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