

Hi! My name is Nick, and I am the Youth Minister here at OLM!! can't believe it's been a year and a half since sheltering in place started. For many of us, Covid took away over a year of our lives as we missed many milestones, celebrations, and opportunities to make memories with our friends and family. We from OLM Youth Ministry also missed being able to gather and be with all of you. With restrictions loosening up though, we just wanted to let you know about a few events the Youth Group has planned as we come back in person!

- **Saturday, July 24th-Picnic Social:** We will be having our annual Picnic Social at Orange Park from 12pm to 5pm. It will be a fun (and hopefully sunny day) for all of us to hang out and eat good food! Let me know if you are interested so I can make sure we have enough food! <https://forms.gle/EiTGJffoBonQH9q96>
- **Saturday, July 31st and Sunday, August 1st-Summer Youth Retreat:** We will be having our annual Summer Youth Retreat, or SYR for short! This retreat is a time to explore how faith and being a high schooler connect, and for us to reconnect with ourselves, God, as well as everyone else! If you're interested, check out this link: <https://forms.gle/EhGZnUrLZoY6eUxq8>
- **Friday, August 6th-Talent Show:** At the beginning of August, OLM Youth Ministry will be hosting a talent show with our fellow youth ministries from St. Andrews and St. Augustine! This is not a competition, but rather a time for all of us to celebrate being back in person as well as the talents and gifts God has given each and everyone of us. The plan is to have it in the Church Hall at OLM. If you are interested in performing, please send a video submission to the link below by July 21st! Price will be \$5 for performers, \$7 for early bird, and \$10 at the door. All proceeds will go to our respective Youth Ministries as we come back from Covid! https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLScaSVH9r10ou3Zo762Y_e4Nx92Mh8Bw-sb9Ugr8UEq7oWft1g/viewform
- **Youth Group:** We will be returning to meeting in person at our normal times in August! The meetings will be every Friday from 6:30pm to 8:30pm, either at the Parish Center or the Church Hall. Follow our Instagram to find out where!

As always, follow our **instagram: @olmyouthministry** for more updates as we get closer to these events! If you or your parents have any questions, feel free to email me or message or Instagram. On behalf of OLM Youth Ministry we are excited to get to spend time with and grow with each of you!

Best,

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