TOTUS TUUS

To Jesus Through Mary

2023 Summer Mission Program Guide

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What is Totus

Totus Tuus is the Latin phrase meaning *totally yours,* which was a favorite motto of St. John Paul II. In the spirit of the New Evangelization, Totus Tuus is a summer Catholic youth program dedicated to sharing the Gospel and promoting the Catholic faith through ***catechesis, evangelization, Christian witness,*** **and** ***Eucharistic worship.***

The goal of Totus Tuus is to help young people develop their relationship with Jesus Christ so He may lead them to the Father by the power of the Holy Spirit. To accomplish this, we emphasize a devotion and love for our Lord in the Eucharist and for Mary our Mother.

We strive to help young people to understand their faith through catechesis so that they may live it in today's world. We do this in such a way that it is fun for everyone.

Tutus Tuus calls upon college students and seminarians from the Green Bay Diocese and from across the United States to carry out its mission. Those hired are trained and put into teams of four (two men and two women) to go out into a parish for a week and put on a "parish mission for youth" in order to teach and inspire. They will conduct these missions for seven weeks during the summer of 2023. Mount Tabor also provides a coordinator who is frequently on site to assist the team.

VOCATION SPOTLIGHT

Totus Tuus strives to foster Christian vocations. It is our firm belief that an individual's vocation - their calling from God - can only be heard and responded to if that person is living a Christian life. We strive to foster this in our missionaries by providing them with an understanding of the faith, a strong prayer life, and an opportunity to witness to their faith. The missionaries sign a covenant in which they promise to be open to God's will for them and to actively discern God's call in their lives.

Because the missionaries are seeking to live an authentic Christian life and are actively discerning their vocation, they can better help the youth to do the same.

What is Totus

Catechesis

Totus Tuus is a nationwide program. The catechesis provided by Totus Tuus is rooted in an orderly, systematic explanation of God's revelation of Himself through the person of Jesus Christ. This revelation, stored in the depths of the Catholic Church's Sacred Tradition and in Sacred Scripture, is constantly communicated from one generation to the next by a living, active tradition.

The methodology, structure, content and enthusiasm of Totus Tuus is concerned not only with the teaching the faith, but also setting on fire the hearts and lives of our missionaries. The result of this has been the formation of young adults within the Church who are continuing to uphold and teach our Catholic faith.

OUR MISSION:

The mission of Totus Tuus is to inspire in young people a true longing for holiness, a deep desire for daily conversion, and an openness to their vocation by constantly challenging them to give themselves entirely to Christ through Mary and by continually strengthening their prayer lives in imitation of Her.

Focus on the Sacraments

Understanding all that we do is intrinsically linked with the whole Liturgical and Sacramental life of the Church. Totus Tuus encourages the celebration of Holy Mass every day. The youth will participate in serving, bringing up the offertory gifts and proclaiming the readings and petitions. Youth are prepared each day to participate in the Mass in their singing, prayers and behavior in church.

If a priest is unable to preside at the Mass at any point during the week, the team will bring the youth to the church to pray the Rosary, Midday Prayer or Stations of the Cross. We suggest that opportunities for the Sacrament of Reconciliation be made available during the week. If your parish has many young people, the pastor may want to invite fellow priests to assist. If available, Fr. Mleziva may be able to assist with reconciliation.

We strive to help the youth to participate fully and actively in the liturgy and consider this an integral part of our program. It is the responsibility of the parish contact to arrange the liturgical and sacramental events with the priest.

Getting Started

At Totus Tuus, we are committed to bringing youth closer to Christ through the sacraments, prayer and fun. In this guide, you will find helpful information about planning for Totus Tuus at your parish and what the team needs in order to thrive. If you have any questions regarding the curriculum that are not answered in this booklet, please contact Jenn Wood, Diocesan Co-Director at 920-722-8918 x8 or jennwood@spiritusministries.org . **For questions about the schedule or payment, contact Annette Hovie, Administrative Assistant at 920-722-8918 x0 or annettehovie@spiritusministries.org. We will help you in any way that we can!**

Role of the Parish Coordinator

The parish coordinator may very well be the most important person involved in Totus Tuus. The success of a Totus Tuus parish program depends on you! We cannot thank you enough for your investment in the young people of our diocese. Please know the Diocese of Green Bay Office of Vocations and Mount Tabor Center sincerely appreciate you!

While the missionaries that visit your parish will have training specific to catechesis, classroom management and teamwork, they will look to you for help with logistics at your parish, challenging behavior from young people and any scheduling issues that fall outside of their usual plan.

A Note for Pastor or the Parish Pastoral Leader

Thank you for hosting Totus Tuus at your parish! We recognize the time and resources this program requires. Time and time again, missionary teams will tell us that the involvement of the priest or parish pastoral leader was one of the most meaningful aspects of the summer. As these young missionaries grow, learn and discern, your witness is invaluable. We understand that your schedule may not allow you to be present all the time, but we warmly invite you to be a part of Totus Tuus in any way that you can.

Here are the times the team will need your help for Sacramental purposes:

Reconciliation for the day program: Monday - Wednesday (Possibly Thursday) at 10:50 a.m.
Mass: Monday - Friday at 11:15 a.m.
Adoration and Reconciliation for teens: Wednesday, beginning at 8:00 p.m.
Church tour for 1st and 2nd grade: Wednesday from 1:50 - 2:15 p.m. **Children's Adoration:** (Optional) Friday from 10:20 - 10:45 a.m.

Parish Involvement

The focus of the Totus Tuus program is the youth of your parish; however, we encourage the entire parish to be involved. Volunteers will be needed to assist during the day program and host families will be needed to house and feed the missionaries during the week. Here are additional ways to include others in your parish.

- Assisting with preparing the potluck dinner. Attend the potluck dinner.
- Plan a "special lunch" for the students in the grade school program
- Assist with snacks and drinks during the breaks for the grade school program
- Pray for the missionaries and students in your parish
- Attend daily Mass with the students in the grade school program

Promotions

While many of your participants may be faithful returning families, adequate promotion is necessary for a successful week. It is vital to promote Totus Tuus early in the year before other summer camps are scheduled.

Consider using:

- your parish's website page
- bulletin boards
- social media tools
- pulpit announcements
- Send flyers home with students involved in the religious formation program and affiliated Catholic schools.

Feel free to reach out to other parishes in your area to see if they would like to join efforts in promoting Totus Tuus to their students.

Visit us on the Totus Tuus website for the Diocese of Green Bay at www.totustuusgreenbay.org for resources available to you. Mount Tabor Center will help customize a flyer and brochure promoting Totus Tuus in your parish. Contact Annette Hovie at 920-722-8918 extension 0 to further discuss this option.

Totus Tuus
2023 Parish Program Curriculum
Salvation & the Sorrowful Mysteries

Morning Program – Grade School Classes 9:00 am to 2:30 pm

Monday	**Grades 1 & 2**	**Grades 3-6**
Class #1:	The Agony in the Garden	The Agony in the Garden
Class #2:	Salvation History & the Covenant	Salvation History & the Covenant
Class #3:	Revelation	Revelation
Class #4:	In the Beginning: Adam & Eve	In the Beginning: Adam & Eve

Tuesday	**Grades 1 & 2**	**Grades 3-6**
Class #1:	The Scourging at the Pillar	The Scourging at the Pillar
Class #2:	Noah & His Family	Noah & His Family
Class #3:	Faith of Our Fathers: Abraham	Faith of Our Fathers: Abraham
Class #4:	Let My People Go: Moses	Let My People Go: Moses

Wednesday	**Grades 1 & 2**	**Grades 3-6**
Class #1:	The Crowning with Thorns	The Crowning with Thorns
Class #2:	I Will Be Your God: David & the Kingdom	I Will Be Your God: David & the Kingdom
Class #3:	You Will Always Be My People: Prophets	You Will Always Be My People: Prophets
Class #4:	Church Tour	The New Covenant in My Blood: Jesus & the Church

Thursday	**Grades 1-2**	**Grades 3-6**
Class #1:	The Carrying of the Cross	The Carrying of the Cross
Class #2:	The New Covenant in My Blood: Eucharist	The New Covenant in My Blood: Eucharist
Class #3:	Full Authority: Acts of the Apostles	Full Authority: Acts of the Apostles
Class #4:	The Wedding Feast of the Lamb: Revelation Adoration	The Wedding Feast of the Lamb: Revelation Adoration

Friday	**Grades 1-2**	**Grades 3-6**
Class #1:	The Crucifixion	The Crucifixion
Class #2:	Our Mission: Stewardship & Vocation	Our Mission: Stewardship & Vocation
Afternoon:	Human Sundae & Water Fight	Human Cream Sundae & Water Fight

Evening Program – Middle & High School 7:00 pm to 9:00 pm

Day	**Topic**
Sunday:	Be Open
Monday:	The Need for the Cross
Tuesday:	Salvation History & Your Story (Vocations & Mission)
Wednesday:	Eucharistic Adoration & Confession
Thursday:	Apologetics Panel & Fun Night

Parish Coordinator Check List (page 1)

Housing

Host families are asked to provide sleeping arrangements, a morning continental breakfast, and possibly some snacks to refuel.

_____ Housing for Men

_____ Housing for Women

Meals

Please plan to provide all of the team's meals while they are in your parish. Please arrange for families in the parish to invite the team to dinner. A family may prepare and serve the meal, have the food brought in, or take the team out to eat, whichever the family prefers.

_____ Sign-up sheet for missionaries lunches (12:00 p.m. Sunday – Friday)

Lunch for Saturday (if the team has arrived) and Sunday can be at the host families' homes. Please ask the host families not to plan any activities for the team on Sunday after Mass and/or lunch. Lunch for Monday through Friday should be provided by a parish family or the parish at 12:00 p.m. Volunteers assisting in the kitchen can prepare the lunch or the team can fix sandwiches from food brought in. Buffet style works best, and whoever is providing the meal may want to bring extra food for the volunteers, priest, etc. If there are restaurants in your town, consider asking them to donate prepared lunches. This has worked for a number of parishes in the past, and it allows businesses the opportunity to get involved with community activities.

Sun _____	Wed _____
Mon _____	Thurs_____
Tues _____	Fri _____

_____ Sign-up sheet for missionaries dinners (5:00 p.m.)

Sat_____	Tues_____
Sun_____	Wed **POTLUCK**
Mon_____	Thur_____

_____Potluck Dinner on Wednesday (Be sure to invite the parish a few weeks in advance. The team may send fliers home with the children.)

Parish Coordinator Check List (page 2)

Advertising

In addition to Sunday bulletin announcements, you may also send information home with school or religious education students, place fliers in the back of church, or make pulpit announcements at Mass.

_____Announcements in the Sunday bulletin for the week of the summer program. We suggest that you begin right away.

_____Registration for the summer program after weekend Mass(es). (You may need to do this on several weekends.)

Facilities

In order for the grade school program to run smoothly, the team needs one large hall or room for main assemblies (this room may be used as a lunchroom or classroom, if neces- sary). The number of participants and/or the number of missionaries assigned to each parish will determine additional rooms.

_____Chalk board/dry erase board

_____Chalk/dry erase markers

_____Bibles (if available)

_____Bathrooms, marked "boys" and "girls"

_____Lunchroom/place for volunteers to prepare lunches, drinks

_____Large gathering area for songs and announcements

_____Playground area and possible equipment

_____Trash cans

_____Choice of 2-4 classrooms (team members will set up)

_____Large Crucifix (for meditations with Jr. High/High School

_____ Post copies of the Daily Schedule located in the Parish Info Packet

_____ Equipment for water activities (at least 1 hose, clean trash cans or large containers)

Parish Coordinator Check List (page 3)

Mass

Totus Tuus encourages the celebration of Holy Mass at 11:15 am every day. If a parish priest is unable to preside at Mass at any point during the week, Liturgy of the Word, a Rosary and/or Stations of the Cross can be done instead.

_____Please inform the parish priest of the following (these times can be adjusted; please let the team leader know if there have been any changes):

- Reconciliation – 10:50 a.m. daily, Monday through Friday
- Mass – 11:15 a.m. daily, Monday through Friday
- Eucharistic Adoration and Sacrament of Reconciliation for MS/HS at 8:00 p.m. Wednesday
- Adoration on Friday at 10:20 a.m.

_____Invite parishioners and parents to attend Holy Mass (bulletin /pulpit announcement)

Volunteers

We ask that a few volunteers be present throughout the day. Although the exact number will depend upon the number of participants, **there should be at least one adult on site *at all times*** children are present. Although volunteers are welcome the whole day, they are especially needed between 9:30 a.m. and 1:30 p.m. for lunch and breaks and in the first and second grade classrooms, and welcome in other classrooms, especially when class size is 15 or more. Often, we invite the participants in the high school program to help during the day.

_____Volunteers to help during lunch, breaks and recess _____

1 volunteer for every 15 students to help in the classroom

Financial Considerations

The cost of Tutus Tuus experience for one week is $1,600. Potential other expenses to the parish may cost approximately $200. This includes the additional snacks, drinks, etc. The **maximum number** of youth is **75 youth per missionary team.** The evening program has no maximum number for junior high and high school.

"IF GOD SO CLOTHES THE GRASS OF THE FIELD, WHICH GROWS TODAY AND IS THROWN INTO THE OVEN TOMORROW, WILL HE NOT MUCH MORE MORE PROVIDE FOR YOU, O YOU OF LITTLE FAITH?"

-MATTHEW 6:30

Funding Tips:

- The parish determines the amount it will charge the participating youth. We recommend $25 - $50 per child for the day program and $60 - $100 for families of three or more. We recommend $15 per junior high and senior high school student for the evening program.
- Throughout the years, many Knights of Columbus councils and other parish groups have assisted financially in bringing the program to parishes. Some parishes have been able to offer the program for free!
- Parishes may use this event for a youth service hours to encourage teens to volunteer for the week.
- T-shirts will be made available for sale at $12 each. The cost of the t-shirt is not included in the $1600 fee. Income from the t-shirts will be returned to Mount Tabor Center.

Payment Schedule

Deposit

Each parish must pay a non-refundable deposit fee of $600 to reserve a date and secure the program. The fee must be mailed by **Friday, March 31, 2023** A letter of confirmation will be sent to each parish detailing the scheduling information. Parishes will be scheduled on a first-come, first-served basis as there is limited availability.

Balance

Parishes are asked to remit the remaining $1,000 balance by **Friday, April 28, 2023.**
Make check payable to Mount Tabor Center.

Mail payment to: **Mount Tabor Center 522**
Second Street
Menasha, WI 54952

The Missionary Team

Each of the Totus Tuus missionary teams consists of two men and two women, of or near college-age. Mount Tabor will also assign a coordinator to work with the parish before the season begins, who will occasionally visit the Totus Tuus site. The missionaries are chosen based upon their commitment to the Catholic faith, desire to teach the faith, love of children, energy and enthusiasm, and leadership abilities. In order to run a week of Totus Tuus smoothly, the missionaries adhere to a well-defined schedule which has a structured prayer life as its foundation and backbone. Each missionary team has an assigned Team Leader who initiates contact with the parish staff and facilitates communication between the staff and team.

Arrival and Set-up

The missionary team arrives the Saturday afternoon prior to the week of teaching. Please arrange for members of the team to speak at the Masses that weekend. Speaking at Mass (after Communion) is an excellent opportunity to publicize the coming week with a brief presentation about Totus Tuus. Often, this presentation will help bring in more youth to participate in the week's program.

The team should meet with the parish contact and pastor (if available) for a formal meeting and tour of the facilities on Saturday evening. The team will set up the facilities on Sunday afternoon. Due to the early morning and late night scheduling of events, parishes must provide a way for the team to enter and lock up facilities. Please make sure the Team Leader is aware of who will have facility keys for the week and how to contact them. The schedule for the week and summer is quite demanding. On Sunday afternoon, following set-up, the team will have down-time for rest, recreation and fellowship. Please do not plan activities for the team on Sunday afternoon.

The Missionary Team

Host Families

Because the missionaries are "out on the road" we ask that the parishes find host families to provide **sleeping arrangements,** a morning **continental breakfast** and possible **snacks** to refuel. The team needs "host homes," one for the men and one for the women. **Men and women are to be housed separately.** It is easier for the team and the parish if the host homes are close to each other and to the parish, but the team will be grateful for any housing.

The interaction at host homes is valuable for both the missionaries and the families. However, because of the missionaries' schedule, occasionally they may be late getting home due to team meetings. Also, missionaries may not always be present at the host families' homes in the afternoons due to planning and set up.

Housing of the missionaries takes place from their arrival Saturday afternoon/evening until their departure the following Friday evening. Each missionary team will provide their own transportation to and from the parish. It is helpful to give the team driver a detailed description or map to the location of the families who will be hosting them, as well as those who will be providing the evening meals.

"WELCOME ONE ANOTHER, THEN AS CHRIST WELCOMED YOU. FOR THE GLORY OF GOD."

-ROMANS 15:7

The Missionary Team

Meals

Please plan to provide all the team's meals while the team is in your parish. Special dietary needs will be communicated in advance.

- **Breakfast** is provided by the host family at 7:00 a.m. Please inform the host family that cereal, fruit or toast is sufficient.
- **Lunch** for Sunday can be at the host families' homes. Lunch for Monday through Friday should be provided by a parish family or the parish at 12:00 p.m. Volunteers assisting in the kitchen can prepare the lunch or the team can fix sandwiches from food brought in.
- **Dinner** is provided nightly at 5:00 p.m. by a local family. However, on Wednesday it will normally be replaced by the parish potluck. Since the missionaries are on a tight schedule, please do not schedule dinner any earlier or later than 5:00 p.m. unless notifying the Team Leader. The team will leave the family's home no later than 6:30 p.m. These meals should be scheduled for Saturday through Thursday and on Wednesday if you will not hold a potluck.

THE FIVE MARKS OF TOTUS TUUS

1. Proclamation of the Gospel - to arouse faith.
2. Explanation - examination of the reasons for our beliefs.
3. Christian Witness- an experience of Christian living.
4. Celebration of the Sacraments - especially Holy Eucharist and Reconciliation.
5. Active witness of the Missionary Nature of the Catholic Church.

Program Schedule

The following is a suggested schedule for use during the week of **Totus Tuus**.

Team

6:30 a.m.	Rise
7:00 a.m.	Breakfast
7:30 a.m.	Arrive at church
	Morning Prayer and Rosary

Grade School Program

8:40 a.m.	Set-up
9:00 a.m.	INTRODUCTION/review
9:15 a.m.	Pump-up/Songs
9:25 a.m.	CLASS PERIOD #1
9:50 a.m.	Snack Break
10:05 a.m.	Music Preparation for Mass
10:20 a.m.	CLASS PERIOD #2
10:45 a.m.	Mass Preparation/Reconciliation
11:15 a.m.	MASS (recommended time)
12:00 p.m.	Lunch-Recess
12:55 p.m.	Cool Down-Water Break & Rosary
1:10 p.m.	CLASS PERIOD #3
1:35 p.m.	Break-Skit
1:50 p.m.	CLASS PERIOD #4
2:15 p.m.	Gather, Review and Closing Prayer
2:30 p.m.	DISMISSAL

Team

2:30 p.m.	Clean-up
	Set-up for next day
	Team Meeting
3:00 p.m.	Divine Mercy Chaplet
3:15 p.m.	Rest/Vespers/Team Recreation
5:00 p.m.	Supper at a local family home

Junior High and High School Program

6:45 p.m.	Set-up
7:00 p.m.	Introduction/Review
7:30 p.m.	SESSION #1
8:00 p.m.	Break
8:15 p.m.	SESSION #2
8:45 p.m.	Closing/Night Prayer
9:00 p.m.	DISMISSAL

Note: This schedule can be adapted to meet the needs of a particular parish or summer school programming

Grade School Program

The Grade School Program is designed for children **entering 1st through 6th grade in the Fall of 2023.** The grade school program runs Monday through Friday.

The curriculum helps children to develop a personal relationship with God the loving Father. This relationship gives them the confidence to be Christ's witnesses in the world around them. Finally, Totus Tuus endeavors to show the youth that a humble and courageous desire to know God must be based upon a steadfast and disciplined life of prayer combined with frequent reception of the sacraments.

Facilities

In order for the Grade School Program to run smoothly, the missionaries ask for one large hall or room for their main assemblies. This same room can be used as a lunchroom if necessary. The size of the student body will determine the necessity of additional space. This will usually mean having three or four other classrooms available for use. For the 1st and 2nd grade classroom, it is ideal to have an empty space near the board for the children to gather, as well as table set up with chairs for their activities. Each classroom should have a chalkboard or dry erase board. Also, crayons and paper will be needed for the 1st and 2nd grade classroom. The church or a large chapel will be needed for Mass.

Breaks and Snacks

We ask the parishes to provide drinks throughout the day. Water is a necessity, but we also encourage other drinks such as lemonade or Gatorade. The children will need drinks set out for them at three points during the day: at the 9:50 a.m. snack break, at 12:00 p.m. lunch and after recess at 12:55. We also ask that the parish provide snacks at the morning break. For lunch, the children will bring sack lunches, but volunteers may be needed to prepare drinks. We ask volunteers to have the snacks and drinks ready five minutes before each break. The medical release for each child will alert the parish of any food allergies.

After lunch, there is a recess break. Team sports are encouraged; therefore, children are invited to bring Frisbees, soccer balls and other balls. The 1:35 p.m. break is not a snack break and will not require volunteers.

THE FIVE PILLARS OF TOTUS

1. The Eucharist
2. Marian Devotion
3. Catechetical Instruction
4. Vocational Discernment
5. Fun!

Grade School Program

Registration

The parish contact person is responsible for registration prior to the program as well as coordinating the registration process during the week. It is highly suggested that the parish publicize the program in advance to draw in as many children as possible, and an adequate number of volunteers can be recruited. Mount Tabor Center can supply you with bulletin announcements at your request.

Volunteers should be recruited to assist in registration each morning,We also highly suggest an orderly sign-out process at the end of each day for the grade school program.

T-Shirts

Mount Tabor Center will make t-shirts available for sale before and after Mass on the weekend the Totus Tuus team arrives at your parish. They will also be available for sale on Monday morning before the first class and at the potluck on Wednesday night. This is a great way to keep the Totus Tuus spirit alive through out the year, as well as to advertise the program. The cost is $12 per t-shirt and is in addition to the $1600 fee paid to Mount Tabor Center. Your parish will be responsible to provide a volunteer to coordinate the selling of the t-shirts on Monday morning and Wednesday during the potluck. Many parishes include the cost of the T-shirt in their registration fee.

Volunteers

We need the parish to provide high school students and adults to assist in supervising the children for bathroom breaks, during recess and for those who may become ill. Volunteers are needed in the 1st and 2nd grade classroom to assist with craft and supervision. The parish is responsible for ensuring volunteers comply with the Diocese of Green Bay Safe Environment Policy. **(Suggestion: 1 high school student and 1 adult for every 15 children).**

Grade School Program

Mass and Reconciliation

It is in the Sacraments, especially in the Eucharist, that Christ Jesus works most fully for the redemption and sanctification of all mankind. We have found that over the years, celebrating and participating in the sacraments on such an intimate level has a tremendous impact on the children. We strive to help the children participate fully and actively in the liturgy and consider this an integral part of our program. It is the responsibility of the parish coordinator to arrange the liturgical and sacramental events with the priest.

Since the Eucharist is the source and the summit of the Christian Life, Totus Tuus encourages the daily celebration of Holy Mass at 11:15 a.m. We also suggest that opportunities for the Sacrament of Reconciliation be made available before Mass, starting at 10:45 a.m.T h i s schedule can be adapted to meet the needs and special circumstances of your parish. If you would like to discuss alternative schedules, please work with your Team Leader.

The oldest students will be invited to Reconciliation on Monday and younger grades as the week progresses. If your parish has many young people involved in the program, the pastor may find it helpful to invite a fellow priest to assist.

The youth will participate at Mass by serving, bringing up the offertory gifts and proclaiming the reading and petitions. Totus Tuus team members will lead the children in a few songs during Mass; therefore, it is not necessary to ask for the music director or cantors to be there.

The team will prepare the children for Mass and Reconciliation, and they will practice the songs as well. The children will be expected to be on their best behavior during Mass.

If a priest is unable to preside at and/or secure a replacement for the Mass at any point during the week, the team will take the children to church to pray the Rosary, Liturgy of the Word or the Stations of the Cross.

Grade School Program

Parish Potluck Dinner

The parish is asked to sponsor a potluck dinner for the children, their families and the parishioners on **Wednesday** evening to meet the missionaries for fellowship. The potluck dinner should begin at 5:00 p.m. and wrap up around 6:30 p.m. so as to allow time to prepare for the junior high/high school class. **This activity and the time are merely suggested.** The day and time can be adapted to meet the needs of each individual parish.

We encourage this to be a parish-wide event. This is an excellent opportunity for the parents and families to meet one another. During the evening, the Team Leader will introduce the team and explain a little about the history and mission of Totus Tuus. To close for the night, the missionaries will lead the children in some songs for the parish.

Friday Afternoon

On Friday, the daily schedule will be altered. We will follow the schedule through lunch. After lunch, there will be no classes. Instead, there will be a **human sundae, water balloon toss and a water fight,** in which the students can bring water guns, squirt bottles, buckets, etc. By about 2:15 p.m., the water fight ends and students help the team clean up the area. The parish is asked to provide water hoses, trash cans in which to store the balloons in, and wading pools to fill up squirt guns and buckets. Parishes may also choose to provide popsicles, ice cream, or other treats at the conclusion of Friday afternoon. Parents are encouraged to watch the Friday afternoon activities. The day is closed with songs and prayer.

Jr High & High School Program

Totus Tuus offers evening instruction for youth **entering grades 7-12.** We have found that vibrant, faithful, college-aged missionaries can effectively impact our junior and senior high school youth, because of the close proximity of age and the ability to establish mentor relationships (i.e. big brother or big sister).

The Tutus Tuus Junior High/High School Program includes instruction, small group discussions, quiet meditation, prayer and fellowship. The team teaches in such a way as to continually offer a dialogue based upon mutual respect.

DISCUSSION TOPICS

Sunday:
Prayer
Lectio Divina

Monday:
Lectio Revisited
Prayer Life

Tuesday:
Heroes of Prayer
Vocations

Wednesday:
Examination of Conscience
Reconciliation

Thursday
Apologetics Evening Social

Activities and Schedule

Each evening session runs from 7:00 p.m. until 9:00 p.m. with a 15 minute refreshment break at 8:00 p.m.We ask the parish to coordinate refreshments **nightly, Sunday through Thursday.**

On **Wednesday** evening, the youth experience Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament. During this time, each teen is encouraged to receive the Sacrament of Reconciliation. **Thus a priest (or priests) will be needed from 8:00 - 9:00 p.m.** Fr. Mark Mleziva, schedule permitting, will be available to assist with the Sacrament of Reconciliation.

To conclude the week on **Thursday** evening, the missionary team will spend time in fellowship with youth. Together, they will play a game of shaving cream wiffle ball. Each student is asked to bring a bottle of shaving cream for the event. An outdoor area or open field will be needed for the evening.

Safe Environment Protocol

Please keep the following information in mind when preparing for your parishes Totus Tuus program.

- Before volunteering with youth, all adults 18 years old or older must be VIRTUS trained and background checked and sign the Diocesan Code of Pastoral Conduct. The parish is responsible for this compliance.
- Youth younger than 18 years of age are welcome to help with Totus Tuus, but there **MUST always be at least one VIRTUS trained adult present**. Youth may not volunteer without a VIRTUS trained adult present. A background check should be run on youth 14 years of age and older.
- Because they will have regular contact with youth under the age of 18, 18 year-old-high school students who will be participating in Totus Tuus must attend VIRTUS training before Totus Tuus begins. "Regular contact" is defined as contact with minors more than once per calendar year, or even just once when the activity includes driving, an overnight stay, restroom and/or locker room supervision or the absence of adult supervision.
- Any minor under 18 should be accompanied to the restroom by a VIRTUS trained adult in any venue where access to the building/restroom isn't monitored. The adult does NOT remain inside the restroom with the youth. Rather, the adult should monitor the restroom to make sure there is no one inside who could pose a threat to the youth.
- For questions about Diocesan Safe Environment protocols, please contact Deb Knaus at 920-272-8174 or dknaus@gbdioc.org.

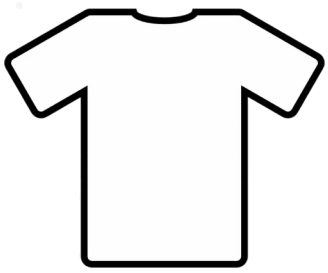
High School Helpers

A parish of any size can utilize high school helpers to assist during the grade school program. This is a way to offer high school volunteers service hours and an opportunity for the missionaries to further connect with them. High school helpers can expect to serve as a missionaries' assistant, passing out materials and helping with crowd control during larger gatherings.

Please recruit and select mature individuals. High school helpersover the age of 18, they must comply with the Safe Environment Protocol. If the high school helper is under the age of 18, they must be accompanied by a VIRTUS trained adult when working with minors. This can be a Totus Tuus team member.

Totus Tuus

T-Shirt Order Form



T-shirt design coming soon!

Please complete the information for pre-sales below and return to Mount Tabor Center the Thursday prior to the start of your Totus Tuus week.

The Totus Tuus team will bring the shirts on the first day of the program for the Parish coordinator to distribute. Please have a check for the t-shirts ready at this time. Make checks payable to Mount Tabor Center.

Mount Tabor Center will make shirts available for sale before and after Mass on the weekend the Totus Tuus team arrives at your parish. They will be available for sale on Monday morning , after Masses and Wednesday at the pot luck. The sales table will need to be staffed by parish volunteers. This is a great way to keep the Totus Tuus spirit alive throughout the year.

Cost of the t-shirts is $12 each and is not included in your $1600 fee to Mount Tabor Center. Many parishes include the cost of the t-shirt in their registration fee.

Parish Name: _____

Parish Contact: _____

Please indicate how many of each size:

Child: S_____ M_____ L_____

Adult: S_____ M_____ L_____ XL_____ XXL_____

Total T-shirts _____ x $12 each = $_____

Please complete and return the completed form to Mount Tabor Center the Thursday prior to the start of your Totus Tuus week. Make checks payable to Mount Tabor Center.

Lily Smith
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lilysmith@spiritusministries.org

Contact Information

Totus Tuus is sponsored by the **The Office of Vocations** of the Catholic Diocese of Green Bay, Wisconsin. This program is nationally known and is present in many dioceses across the country. The Office of Vocations has entrusted the execution of the Totus Tuus mission to the **Mount Tabor Center**. The skills, talents, and expertise of the Mount Tabor Center in Menasha are a perfect match to recruit the best missionaries, and execute a spiritually-deep and well-organized program.

Please direct questions to:

Mount Tabor Center:

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522 Second Street
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www.gbvocations.org

Week 1 **June 11 - June 16**
St. Francis Xavier Cathedral Parish, Green Bay
St. John - Sacred Heart Parish, Sherwood

Week 2 **June 18 - June 23**
St. John the Baptist Parish, Howard
St. Anthony Parish, Tigerton (Three Catholic Parishes)

Due to a priest retreat, Holy Mass may not be possible each day this week. The team will lead Scripture reflections with the children when Holy Mass is not possible.

Week 3 **June 25 - June 30**
Holy Family Parish, Brillion
St. Mary - St. John Parish, Menasha

Week 4 **July 9 - July 14**
St. Jude Parish, Oshkosh
St. Bernadette / St. Piux X Parishes, Appleton

Week 5 **July 16 - July 21**
Antigo Area Catholic Churches, Antigo
SS Peter & Paul Parish, Weyauwega

Week 6 **July 23 - July 28**
St. Thomas the Apostle Parish, Humboldt
St. Paul Parish, Combined Locks

Week 7 **July 30 - August 4**
Holy Cross Parish, Mishicot
St. John the Baptist, Marshfield

Available Weeks for Summer of 2024

June 9 - 14: FULL

June 16-21: FULL

June 23 - 28: FULL

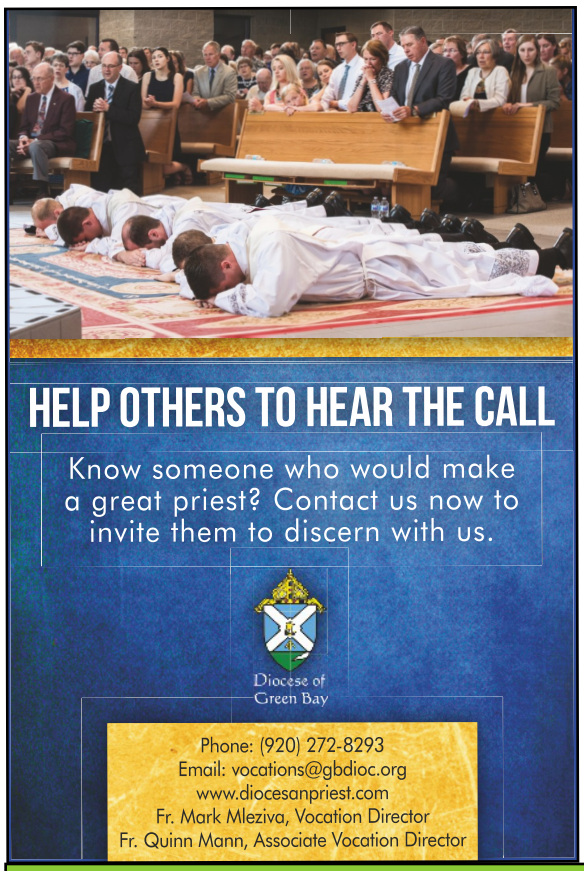
July 7 -12: FULL

July 14 - 19: FULL

July 21-26: FULL

July 28-Aug 2: TENTATIVE WEEK

Call Annette at 920-722-8918 x0 to talk about 2024



Encountering Jesus

Witness training to help educators, parish leaders, parents and students share Jesus with others.

Contact Annette Hovie at 920-722-8918 x0 to learn more

Open Confirmation and Small Parish Retreat

Mount Tabor Center is offering a great option for parishes with 15 students or less. Join other small parishes to make your SPIRITUS retreat more affordable while maintaining high quality. dynamic results. **This retreat is also open to students who need to make a retreat**
To register, contact Annette at 920-722-8918 ext 0.

One Day Retreats
9 a.m. - 5 p.m. I
Sunday, March 10, 2024
Saturday, April 6, 2024

Overnight Retreats
7 p.m. - 7 p.m. Includes 3 meals
Friday-Saturday, October 27-28, 2023
Friday-Saturday, January 5-6, 2024
Saturday-Sunday, February 17-18, 2024