



Encounter Pope Leo XIV Live with us!

**Friday, November 21st
10:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.
St. Mary's Church Hall**

We very very rarely ask high school students to take time off from school but this is a once in a life time opportunity for the young Church.

In an era where the digital and spiritual life intersect, Pope Leo XIV is breaking new ground. For the first time ever, a pope will engage directly with young people at the National Catholic Youth Conference (NCYC)—and for Pope Leo XIV, this will be his first-ever digital dialogue with young people in the United States.

The encounter will take place on **Friday, November 21, 2025, at 10:15 am** during NCYC's morning general session. **Pope Leo XIV will participate in a 45-minute real-time dialogue** with young people gathered at Lucas Oil Stadium in Indianapolis and with thousands more joining from around the world via livestream – **INCLUDING ST. MARY'S HIGH SCHOOLERS.**

Broadcast globally by EWTN, the exclusive multi-cast provider, this event isn't just a speech—it's a true encounter. The Holy Father will listen and respond as young people share their hopes, struggles, and faith. It's a moment that says to every young person: *your voice matters in the life of the Church.*

We will gather at 10:00 a.m. for introductions and an opening prayer in Sacred Heart Hall (lower church). Together, we will watch the conversation with The Holy Father and the young people. After the dialogue is completed - those of us gathered together will reflect on Pope Leo's message.

Because the Holy Father will have a challenge for us – we will take a few minutes and discuss what is our role as an individual disciple and as St. Mary's Parish Youth Ministry community. **Lunch will be served during the discussion.** We will finish up no later than 12:00 p.m. so students can go back to school.

This gathering will be facilitated by Jim Flanagan, Jean Clark, Liam Flanagan (he was part of the planning process with the NFCYM) **and members of the Teen Leadership Committee.**

We have contacted the Superintendent's office to let them know that we were going to offer this opportunity. They are very excited about this opportunity.

If you want sign-up or if you have questions – please reach out to Jim Flanagan at 617-922-0024.