

Pro-Life Sunday Youth Night

What you will need:

Rosaries for each student

Copy of the Rosary Prayers for each student (<https://www.usccb.org/prayer-and-worship/prayers-and-devotions/rosaries/pro-life-rosaries>)

Baby bibs or towels for each student

Jar of baby food for each student

Spoons for each student

Blindfolds for each student (or scarf or bandana)

Prepare:

Find a local Pro-Life organization that could have a representative come talk to your group. This could be a Right to Life, Students for Life, Pregnancy hotline, or other group that is Pro-Life. If you do not know of a local group, ask your pastor for some suggestions.

Once you find a Pro-Life group, contact them and ask if they have a representative that can come speak to your group. I have found that most organizations in our area are happy to send someone to us. Schedule the date and time that works best for them and for your youth group. Be sure to find out if they charge for the speaker! Also arrange with the speaker how long their talk is and let them know of any time restraints you might have.

If the organization the speaker is a part of has certain needs to help them with their mission, ask if you can take up a collection of items for them. Otherwise, ask a local women's shelter or pregnancy center if they have a need for donated items.

Let the student's families know what items you are wanting to collect for the above organization by sending out a list with the meeting reminder.

I like to talk with the speaker ahead of time to see if there are any special requests he/she may have and to make sure they are open to questions the students have after. I also like to prepare them if I know of any students who may not be pro-life or if we have visiting students (not from our normal group), so he/she knows what to expect.

Print out a copy of the Rosary Prayers for each student. You can create your own, or use the ones on the USCCB website (link above).

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Prayer: O God, our Creator, all life is in your hands from conception until death. Help us to cherish our children and to reverence the awesome privilege of our share in creation. May all people live and die in dignity and love. Bless all those who defend the rights of the unborn, the handicapped and the aged. Enlighten and be merciful toward those who fail to love, and give them peace. Let freedom be tempered by responsibility, integrity and morality. Amen.

Announcements: Let your youth group know of any upcoming events, youth nights, or other activities they should be aware of

Speaker: Introduce your speaker and where he/she is from. Remind your students to be respectful and listen to what the speaker has to say. Some students may not agree with what the speaker has to say, but assure them that they can ask questions after the talk.

Shower: Collect up the donations from the students if you have not already. If the speaker's organization is the recipient of the donations, present them to him/her and have the students help him/her out to their vehicle with the donations.

Rosary: Pass out Rosaries and prayer sheets to each student. You could ask for volunteers to lead each decade or have an adult leader lead the group.

It Tastes Like?! Have the students partner up in twos. If you have an uneven number of students, have an adult partner up with one of the students. If you have a large group, start with 4-5 teams; if you have a smaller group 1-2 teams. One person from each team should be the baby and wear a blindfold and a bib. Their partner will be the parent and feed them from their jar of baby food until it is all gone. Award points for the ones who finish, giving more to the ones who finish first, and bonus points for guessing correctly what the flavor of the baby food is. The partners then switch places. Have the next group of teams go until everyone has had a chance to be the baby and the parent.

Filler Game: Don't Laugh! (If you have time leftover have them play this)
Have the students partner up. Each set of partners will make baby noises until one of them laughs. If they both laugh, they are both out. Once someone laughs, their partner will find another partner that didn't laugh, and they will square off the same way. Keep playing until one person is left not laughing. This could be played in a circle as well and everyone tries to make each other laugh.