

# Surrender – Diocesan Youth Conference 2025

Dear St. Mary Parish,

We spent a wonderful weekend this month with hundreds of other teenagers from around the diocese along with chaperones, priests, musicians, speakers, and our bishop. We learned a lot and made some great memories together. Thank you all so much for your prayers and support.

Love, SMYLE



## What did you really like about the Youth Conference?

I like when they were playing the music and the bands were playing and we were calling and stuff and cheering.

I like the prayer. Prayer was cool. I like the Adoration.

My favorite thing was the Rosary walk we did in the forest.

I liked the girls' and boys' dance battle.

All the people coming together in Christ

My favorite was when we were praying over each other in groups and Adoration and the music and confession.



## Would you like to share anything about our bishop?

When he walked around the room and brought the monstrance close to you... I really liked that part.

The way he used his crozier to hook the photographer guy while he was trying to take our picture was hilarious.

He has good humor.



His socks were snowman socks for the snow.

He translated words from English to Spanish during the Mass.

## What things did you learn from the Conference?

We can pray as a group with others.

You're never too young to give your life to God.

Surrender your struggles to God.

Jesus' love for us

God's love is everlasting and He loves us all because we're all His children. We might not feel it all the time, but it's there.

The way he tried to get all the rings when he blessed the rosaries for us



Thank you for helping make this all possible!