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To: **PASTOR / PASTORAL STAFF / BULLETIN EDITOR**
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Re: Please add these announcements to your website or bulletin
Date: **Tuesday, January 16, 2024**

Included are new and current announcements from the Office of Youth and Young Adult Ministry. We would greatly appreciate if you could add these announcements to your website or online bulletin. If you have any questions, please contact Jazmin Ortiz (916) 733-0123.

Title	ARE YOU ATTENDING THE WALK FOR LIFE?
English	
<p>The Walk for Life West Coast is celebrating its 20th anniversary on Saturday, January 27. Will you be there? The Office of Youth & Young Adults for the Diocese of Sacramento will be present and giving away free friendship bracelets to all participants from our diocese. Please be sure to look out for our team member, Steve Do, to get your free friendship bracelet (limited supply). Be sure to follow us on Instagram @scdoyya to find our location at the Walk for Life March.</p>	

Title	YYA MINICON EPISTREPHO
English	
<p>The Office of Youth & Young Adults (OYYA) is hosting a MiniCon (ministry conference) called “EPISTREPHO” on Saturday, January 27 from 10:00am-3:00pm at our diocesan Pastoral Center in Sacramento. <i>Epistrepho</i> (ep-ee-stref-fo) in Greek means “to change”. As we ring in the New Year in 2024, it’s a time to re-examine our ministry efforts to youth and young adults and be open “to change” how we engage young people. The definition of insanity is to continue doing the same thing and expect different results. Join us to listen and learn from other ministry leaders and from our keynote speaker, Raymond Chang. Raymond is the Executive Director of TENx10, a Christian collaborative organization whose aim is to address religious disaffiliation among young people and make faith matter more to the youth and young adults.</p> <p>We invite all adult pastoral leaders serving youth or young adults to attend and be part of <i>epistrepho</i>, “the change” we desire to see in the faith lives of youth and young adults. The cost is \$24 per person (includes hospitality and lunch). Discount available for parish group of 10 or more participants. For more information, please contact Alejandro Barraza at abarraza@scd.org or Steve Do at sdo@scd.org. To register, please visit: Please see flyer for details.</p>	

Title New	Table Time Meal Planning for Families
English	
<p>Family dinners are important. Kids in families who eat together regularly tend to get better grades and are less likely to use alcohol, drugs, and tobacco. This Family Dinner Toolkit can help you make the time parents and kids spend together count! Check out the FREE resource by the SEARCH Institute: https://page.search-institute.org/KC-meal-planner-landing</p>	

Title	Formación para Líderes y miembros de Coros
Spanish	
<p>Instituto OCP ¡Cantemos al Señor! sesión Virtual de preparación para la Cuaresma (Salmistas, cantores, instrumentistas, compositores y todos los que pertenecen al ministerio de música). 15 de enero 7pm – 8pm en línea.</p> <p>Presentadores: Pedro Rubalcava, Estela Garcia-Lopez y Koren Ruiz para más información e inscripción: www.scd.org/event/formacion-para-lideres-de-coros</p>	

Title	Camp Pendola Registration is Open
English	
<p>Registration for Summer 2024 at Camp Pendola is now open for camper 7 to 17 year old. This summer will include four full weeks plus a mini week for campers of all ages. At Camp Pendola campers have the opportunity to experience God while living in small communities of campers in the outdoor of the Sierra Nevada Foothills. Campers are also challenged to try new activities like archery, hiking, cooking on a camp fire, various types of prayer and crafts led by trained staff. For more information go to www.pendola.org or contact Jennifer Campbell at jcampbell@scd.org</p>	

Title	Teen Experiences at Camp Pendola
English	
<p>Whether your teen is looking for a leadership experience or the chance to just be a kid for the week Camp Pendola has the week for you! This summer we have three unique experiences just for our middle and high school aged campers. Middle and High School teen can enjoy Invaders of the Night Week, our Teens only Week July 21-26. Entering Freshman and Sophomores can participate in our Leaders in Training Program July 14 -19, where they will discover the mean of being a disciple and leadership skill that can be shared at home, at school and at their parish. And lastly, entering Junior and Seniors can participate in the three-week Counselor in Training Program July 7 – 26. Get more information at https://www.pendola.org/teen-programs.html or contact Jennifer Campbell at jcampbell@scd.org</p>	

Title	Camp Pendola is hiring for summer 2024!
English	
<p>It takes a special sort of person to be a Summer Camp staff member at Camp Pendola. Someone who is excited about working with campers of all ages! Someone who is excited to share their love of God! And someone who understands that while serving at Camp Pendola we put our campers first! At the end of the day, the job of a Camp Pendola staffer is to meet the needs, of all campers, every day. It's a lot, but will no doubt change your life. Camp Pendola staffers are asked to give much of themselves to meet the physical, emotional, and spiritual needs of our campers. So, if you want to invest in youth and help them come to know God? And if you are looking for a rewarding summer job? And if you are looking to spend time in nature while deepening your own relationship with God? And want a fun summer with meaningful friendships? Then consider applying for Camp Pendola.</p> <p>Get more information and apply at www.pendola.org/employment or contact Jennifer Campbell at jcampbell@scd.org.</p>	