



Our Lady of Lourdes Hospitality North American Volunteers, LTD.

YOUTH PILGRIMAGE CODE OF CONDUCT

Lourdes is sacred ground, a holy place—a place where miracles happen in an atmosphere of prayer. At Lourdes, we follow the saintly example of Bernadette who responded with an attitude of dignity, respect, generosity, compassion and docility. In a like response, we obediently receive instruction and cooperate with our fellow pilgrims, leaders and directors by kindly greeting others, being on time, honoring the rules, “turning the other cheek” and fulfilling all duties in a responsible manner. There is to be no possession or use of cell phones, electronics, headphones, toy or facsimile weapons, dangerous weapons, drugs, alcohol, illegal substances or contraband. There is to be no unruly behavior, inappropriate language or lewd activity, no immodest dress, behavior or activity, no angry outbursts or grumbling. Our conduct re-creates the “Spirit of Lourdes” in response to the gracious and kind invitation of Our Lady.

BEHAVIOR CONTRACT

I agree to center my behavior in the teachings of the Catholic Church taking seriously my responsibilities as a volunteer and pilgrim. I agree to humbly take direction from the leadership team, directors and those in authority over me. I agree to be an example of Christ-like love and Marian modesty, following all the rules for behavior, conduct, curfew and dress code. I agree to respectfully participate in the prayers, liturgies and ceremonies throughout the pilgrimage. I agree to follow the schedule and be punctual for and to participate in all activities, meetings and volunteer service. I will embrace every person as a fellow pilgrim, respecting that Christ lives in and loves each of us. I will offer charitable assistance to the sick with compassion, caring for individuals with respect and generosity.

I agree to bring any concerns or problems encountered to Adult Leadership Team Members privately, allowing problems to be charitably discussed and handled in a confidential and timely manner. I agree to accept responsibility for all of my actions. If I should fail in any way, I agree to accept any consequences, make an honest effort to seek help and return to a behavior pattern centered in faith, respectful of self and others. Furthermore, I understand that if my behavior is disruptive to others, I may be asked to or required to depart early at my expense.

I agree to abide by all the decisions of the North American Lourdes Pilgrimage Director.

Printed Name

Date

Signature

PARENT AGREEMENT

I agree with the Youth Code of Conduct and Behavior Contract. I agree that appropriate behavior is paramount to a positive faith experience. Furthermore, I understand and agree I will make and pay for travel arrangements for my child to return home early, if necessary. I understand this will only happen if the Adult Leadership Team and Priest agree it is best for my child and the pilgrimage.

Printed Name

Date

Signature