



# Young Adult Assembly Delegate Nomination Guidance (Internal Document)

We seek to spiritually and structurally renew the Diocese of San José at all levels (chancery, parish, schools, clergy, religious, laity) to fulfill the mission of Jesus Christ.

## What Will Delegates Do

Over 350 delegates from our parishes, schools, Catholic movements, and organizations will gather and represent the diversity of young adult (18-35) experiences in the Diocese of San José by sharing their perspectives and experiences with the Catholic Church and providing consultative non-binding feedback on the pastoral plan for Bishop and the pastoral plan implementation team to consider as the diocese develops a young adult ministerial plan.

### Requirements

- Attend the full Young Adult Assembly in person on Saturday, September 21, 10 am – 9 pm
- Attend one of the following in-person delegate orientations:  
*July 25, 6:30 – 9 pm | August 8, 6:30 – 9 pm | August 24, 9:30 am – 12 pm*
- Share the online survey with young adults they know – active and inactive in the Church
- Review and pray over the pastoral plan, the survey results, and other information to be sent out after the orientation but before the assembly
- Afterward, share your Assembly experience with your parish, school, or organization

## Who to Nominate

***Delegates must be between the ages of 18 to 35.***

Additionally, we are seeking to represent the rich diversity of our diocese in the following ways:

- Gender (ensuring men and women are equally represented)
- Single and married
- With and without kids
- Ethnicity/culture/language—a reflection of the diversity of the community they represent, including but not limited to ethnic groups such as Hispanic, Vietnamese, Filipino, Korean, Chinese, Portuguese, African, and Indian communities
- *In many cases, these can overlap, whereby nominees have a variety of these characteristics.*

## How to Nominate Delegates

- Each Parish and University Campus Ministry is allotted five (5) delegates.

- Each Catholic Elementary and High School is allotted one (1) Educator delegate & one (1) Parent delegate.
  - *If not applicable to secondary high schools, they are allotted two (2) Educator delegates.*
- Each approved Catholic Movement and Organization is allotted two (2) delegates.
- All priests 35 years old or younger will be invited to be delegates.

#### **Parish and University Campus Ministry Delegates (275)**

- We ask each Pastor or University Campus Ministry Chaplain to nominate **FIVE young adult delegates** who meet the age and diversity guidelines listed above.
- Pastors should contact their nominees and confirm their participation. Once they have done so, pastors should submit the names of the three individuals to Bishop by **June 20<sup>th</sup>** using the [online nomination form](#) that requests their **Name, Email and Phone Number**.
- Each nominee will receive an official letter from the Bishop's Office of their nomination.

#### **Catholic Elementary and High School Delegates (70)**

- We ask each Catholic Elementary and High School principal to **nominate ONE Teacher delegate & ONE Parent delegate** who meet the age and diversity guidelines listed above.
- Principals should contact their nominees and confirm their participation. Once they have done so, principals should submit the names of the two individuals to Bishop by **June 20<sup>th</sup>** using the [online nomination form](#) that requests their **Name, Email and Phone Number**.
- Each nominee will receive an official letter from the Bishop's Office of their nomination.

#### **Catholic Movements and Organizations (24)**

- Approved Catholic Movements or Organizations (YCP, Pastoral Juvenil, CFC, etc.) will be invited to nominate **TWO delegates** who meet the age and diversity guidelines listed above.
- Movement/organization leaders should contact their nominees and confirm their participation. Once they have done so, they should submit the names of the two individuals to Bishop by **June 20<sup>th</sup>** using the [online nomination form](#) that requests their **Name, Email and Phone Number**.
- Each nominee will receive an official letter from the Bishop's Office of their nomination.

**If a parish, school, or movement doesn't submit the names for all of their allotted slots, those slots will be open at the end of June for any young adult in the diocese to sign up to attend.**

