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HOLY FAMILY AND ST ROBERT YOUTH MINISTRY

Generous parishioners,

Believe it or not, summer is drawing to a close. Our schools are once again full of energetic students and our high school formation classes are beginning soon. As our parish prepares for a fall season packed with new high school classes, small groups, retreats, and activities, it's important to pause and reflect on the numerous blessings we received over the summer, particularly those from our mission trip.

In July our youth ministry program brought a group of 37 teens to Catholic Heart Workcamp. From July 8th-15th, we spent our days serving the people of the Kansas City, KS. We all had different projects, working on home construction, with children's programs, with the elderly, and the poor. Every evening our group met together to share about our days and to praise God.

This trip would not have been possible without the immense support of our parishes. So, thank you! Thank you for any financial donations, which was a great help in covering the numerous costs associated with a mission trip. But more importantly, thank you for your prayers and your love for the youth of our parish. This experience has impacted not only the lives of those we served, but has been a blessing to our own lives of faith, in the numerous ways we encountered the Lord on this trip. Be assured of our continued prayers for you that we may all one day proclaim, as St. Paul did, "*It is no longer I who live, but Christ who lives in me*" (Galatians 2:20).

In Christ,

Emily Schaefer

