

STEUBENVILLE



# Resource Guide



Peace and blessings!

First, thank you for your “yes” to serve the young Church. Accompanying young people on their faith journeys is never easy, and the fallout of the pandemic has made it even more challenging. Yet, here you are – doing what you do and being awesome. Be assured that God has chosen you to lead at this time and will bless you with everything you need to help your teens encounter Christ’s love.

Thank you for being a part of the very first livestreamed Steubenville Youth Conference! This will not be a series of random, pre-recorded talks. Rather, you will be joining a live conference broadcast from Orlando, Florida, through our digital platform. There will be a full band and dynamic worship, awesome talks, prayer, and fun! And most importantly, the Holy Spirit will be there, strengthening and empowering us.

You may be wondering, “How is this going to work? How can I lead my teens through this experience and help them to get the most out of it?” Do not worry! We have prepared these resources to inspire you and equip you for the task. Whether you are a seasoned youth ministry veteran or a parent who is doing something like this for the first time, you will find everything you need to have a great shared faith-building experience.

May God bless you abundantly!

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# HOPE ALIVE

ROMANS 5:5

*"Hope does not disappoint, because the love of God has been poured out into our hearts through the Holy Spirit that has been given to us." – Romans 5:5*

Many of us live in the midst of uncertainty, suffering, and loss, and it can be difficult to find hope that will last. Often, in our desire for peace and joy, we place our hope in the wrong things and only find disappointment. Jesus Christ offers us a hope that does not disappoint. When we place our hope in him, he walks with us in our loss, helps us endure, redeems it, and makes us come alive. Step out of loneliness, sadness, fear, and anxiety today and experience hope alive.

## **Thematic Overview**

### **Friday Night**

Jesus Christ is our hope. He is present to us, even if we do not always feel his presence. Through the Scripture passage about the calming of the storm at sea (Luke 8: 22-25), we want to illustrate that Jesus is present in the storms both within us and outside of us. Our hope is in him alone; this offers us great peace and joy. This hope is an anchor to our soul.

### **Saturday Session 1**

Jesus offers us a hope that does not disappoint. When we place our hope in worldly things or idols, they will fail and disappoint us. God is faithful to his promises, and to fully see that, we must understand what God has promised us. We will unpack God's promises and offer practical ways to fully trust in God's faithfulness – what it means to truly have living hope.

### **Saturday Session 2**

Our prayer life is the foundation of our relationship with Jesus Christ. In times of trial, we turn to him, our rock. We want to share why and how to pray, especially in the midst of suffering and uncertainty. "My soul, be at rest in God alone, from whom comes my hope" (Psalm 62:5).

### **Saturday Session 3**

By his death and resurrection, Jesus has overcome sin and death. He is alive and invites us to share in his life. Through the Scripture story of Jesus calling Peter to step out of his boat and walk on water, we want to illustrate Jesus' call for each us to keep our eyes fixed on him and hope in him in the midst of fear. Jesus sends his Holy Spirit to give us courage and strength to step out of the boat and hope in him.

## Schedule

Friday, July 17, 2020						
Pacific	Mountain	Central	Eastern	Atlantic	Schedule	Streamed/ Local
3:00 pm	4:00 pm	5:00 pm	6:00 pm	7:00 pm	Steubenville Live Pre-show	Livestream
3:30-6:15 pm	4:30-7:15 pm	5:30-8:15 pm	6:30-9:15 pm	7:30-10:15 pm	<b>Friday Session</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Gathering music</li> <li>• Welcome and introduction</li> <li>• Worship</li> <li>• Keynote</li> <li>• Eucharistic Adoration (from approximately 8:20-8:50 pm Eastern)</li> <li>• Confession preparation</li> </ul>	Livestream
6:15-6:30 pm	7:15-7:30 pm	8:15-8:30 pm	9:15-9:30 pm	10:15-10:30 pm	Steubenville Live Post-show	Livestream
Saturday, July 18, 2020						
10:00 am	11:00 am	12:00 pm	1:00 pm	2:00 pm	Steubenville Live Pre-show	Livestream
10:30 am-12:00 pm	11:30 am-1:00 pm	12:30-2:00 pm	1:30-3:00 pm	2:30-4:00 pm	<b>Saturday Session 1</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Welcome</li> <li>• Worship</li> <li>• Keynote</li> <li>• Ministry team Q &amp; A</li> </ul>	Livestream
12:00-1:00 pm	1:00-2:00 pm	2:00-3:00 pm	3:00-4:00 pm	4:00-5:00 pm	Recharge/Break *	Local
12:15-12:45 pm	1:15-1:45 pm	2:15-2:45 pm	3:15-3:45 pm	4:15-4:45 pm	Meet the Ministry Team	Livestream
1:00-2:30 pm	2:00-3:30 pm	3:00-4:30 pm	4:00-5:30 pm	5:00-6:30 pm	<b>Saturday Session 2</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Ministry team game</li> <li>• Keynote</li> <li>• Prayer experience</li> <li>• Ministry team discussion</li> </ul>	Livestream
2:30-4:00 pm	3:30-5:00 pm	4:30-6:00 pm	5:30-7:00 pm	6:30-8:00 pm	Recharge/Break *	Local

Saturday, July 18, 2020 (Continued)						
Pacific	Mountain	Central	Eastern	Atlantic	Schedule	Streamed/ Local
3:45 pm	4:45 pm	5:45 pm	6:45 pm	7:45 pm	Steubenville Live Pre-show	Livestream
4:00-6:45 pm	5:00-7:45 pm	6:00-8:45 pm	7:00-9:45 pm	8:00-10:45 pm	<b>Saturday Session 3</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Gathering music and welcome</li> <li>• Worship</li> <li>• Keynote</li> <li>• Eucharistic Adoration (from approximately 8:30-9:30 pm Eastern)</li> </ul>	Livestream
6:45-7:00 pm	7:45-8:00 pm	8:45-9:00 pm	9:45-10:00 pm	10:45-11:00 pm	Steubenville Live Post-show	Livestream
Sunday, July 19, 2020 (Bonus Day!)						
7:15 am	8:15 am	9:15 am	10:15 am	11:15 am	Celebration of Holy Mass	Livestream

**\* Suggested Activities for Recharge/Break:**

- Small groups
- Confession
- Scavenger hunt
- Games and outdoor activities
- Journaling

**Additional Notes:**

- The livestream will begin 30 minutes to an hour before the programming, to give you time to test your connection.
- Throughout the livestream programming and pre-session and post-session shows, we are excited to offer live polls, a live chat, Q & A, behind-the-scenes looks, ministry team interviews, man on the street interviews, additional videos, and more!
- There will not be small group time during the scheduled sessions – only as an option during Recharge/Break time. We encourage you to meet with your group prior to the livestream, as well, for more opportunities for community building.

## How to Register

1. Go to the registration page ([steubenvilleconferences.com/live](https://steubenvilleconferences.com/live)) and select the type of registration. If you are not sure which one to choose, the following descriptions may help:
  - a. **Group:** Group registration allows a group leader to register and purchase as many tickets as necessary for their group. Upon registration, the group leader will receive a link to provide to each of their teens (or adults), who will claim their spots and create their own user accounts (for access to all interactive features) by providing their personal registration information. Payment for every spot is due at the time of registering, although you may add spots to your group at any point. If you prefer that your group members pay for their own ticket directly, you may want to instruct them to register using the individual or family registration options. All registered users must be 13 years or older.
  - b. **Individual:** Individual registration is meant for one person and gives you the ability to create one user account. You will be able to fully participate in the livestream with access to all interactive features. All registered users must be 13 years or older.
  - c. **Family:** Family registration is meant for one household that will be watching and participating in Steubenville Live together. The family registration allows for one user account. If you have teens (or adults) in the family that would like to more actively participate in the interactive features of the livestream, more can be added (up to 4 at \$10 each). All registered users must be 13 years or older.
2. If registering as a group or family, you will need to enter a group name and select the number of seats, which should equal the number of participants in your group.
3. Continue through to the checkout process, filling in your registration and billing information, and submit your order.
4. You will then receive a confirmation email with instructions on how to log into your account. If registered as a group or family, you will also receive instructions on how to send a link to any group members, so they may register for their own user accounts.

## Code of Conduct

Please read the following rules carefully, as they provide information about engaging in the interactive aspects of Steubenville Live, the livestreamed high school youth conference hosted by Franciscan University of Steubenville, in a way that is respectful and lawful. By using or submitting material to Steubenville Live (via the below detailed interactive tools and methods), you agree that you have read, understood, accept, and agree to abide by the following rules.

### The interactive tools and methods include:

1. The live chat, live Q&A, and live polls accessible by logging into the livestream of Steubenville Live.
2. Prayer intentions, group discussions (available via the “Connect” button on the Steubenville Live app), features/games (available via the “Interact” button on the Steubenville Live app), and any other buttons available on the Steubenville Live app that may allow interactivity with other viewers, groups, or individuals.
3. Any social media posts (graphics or text) containing Franciscan University of Steubenville, Steubenville Conferences, or Steubenville Live references, tags, and/or hashtags.

Please use all platforms and tools available for interactivity in congruence with Steubenville Live with great charity and responsibility. We, the Steubenville Conference Office, are pleased to allow our Steubenville Live viewers to interact with us and one another, and it is our mission to uphold an environment of positivity and encouragement throughout the duration of Steubenville Live. Furthermore, by engaging in these interactive tools and methods, you agree to post, send, and receive messages and content that are proper and related to the particular topic being streamed at Steubenville Live.

### The purposes of these interactive tools and methods are as follows:

1. **Live Chat:** The live chat allows Steubenville Live viewers to engage with one another throughout the duration of the conference weekend – to create a space for community, positivity, and support for one another. Avoid crude, explicit, provocative, or suggestive language.
2. **Q & A:** The Q & A opportunities provide education and deeper understanding of the content discussed throughout the talks and sessions during Steubenville Live. Please use these opportunities to ask questions that will further your own and others’ understanding of the Catholic faith. Avoid crude, explicit, provocative, or suggestive language.
3. **Polls:** The Steubenville Conference Office will utilize polls throughout Steubenville Live to collect live viewer data, so we can better understand our viewers and their needs. Please respond to polls with honesty and integrity.
4. **Steubenville Live App:** We have created all elements of the Steubenville Live app with the intention to allow for a highly engaging and interactive virtual conference. This app provides Steubenville Live participants with access to all the information and interactive features you will need in order to have the best possible conference experience.

5. **Social Media:** The use of social media within the Steubenville Live experience allows interaction between participants, ministry team members, and staff, and creates a space for participants to share about their experience of the event. Avoid crude, explicit, provocative, or suggestive language.

**When using these interactive tools and methods** (as defined above), you agree that you will not post, send, submit, publish, or transmit material that:

1. You do not have the right to post, including proprietary material of any third party, such as files containing software or other material protected by intellectual property laws (or by rights of privacy or publicity);
2. Advocates for illegal activity or discusses an intent to commit an illegal act;
3. Is vulgar, obscene, pornographic, or indecent;
4. Does not pertain directly to this event (Steubenville Live);
5. Threatens or abuses others, libels, defames, invades privacy, stalks, is obscene, pornographic, racist, abusive, harassing, threatening or offensive;
6. Seeks to exploit or harm children by exposing them to inappropriate content, asking for personally identifiable details, or otherwise;
7. Harvests or otherwise collects information about others, including e-mail addresses, without their consent;
8. Violates any law or may be considered to violate any law;
9. Impersonates or misrepresents your connection to any other entity or person or otherwise manipulates headers or identifiers to disguise the origin of the content;
10. Falsifies or deletes any author attributions, legal or other proper notices, proprietary designations or labels of the origin or source of software, or other material contained in a file that is permissibly uploaded;
11. Advertises any commercial endeavor (e.g., offering for sale products or services) or otherwise engages in any commercial activity (e.g., conducting raffles or contests, displaying sponsorship banners, and/or soliciting goods or services), except as may be specifically authorized by Steubenville Live;
12. Solicits funds, advertisers, or sponsors;
13. Includes programs that contain viruses, worms, and/or Trojan horses or any other computer code, files or programs designed to interrupt, destroy, or limit the functionality of any computer software, hardware, or telecommunications;
14. Disrupts the normal flow of dialogue, causes a screen to scroll faster than other users are able to type, or otherwise acts in a way which affects the ability of other people to engage in real-time activities via this site;
15. Includes MP3 format files;
16. Amounts to a pyramid or similar scheme, including contests, chain letters, and surveys;

17. Disobeys any policy or regulations including any code of conduct or other guidelines, established from time to time regarding use of these interactivity tools and methods or any networks connected to the site on which Steubenville Live will be streamed; or
18. Contains hyperlinks to other sites that contain content that falls within the descriptions set forth above.

### **Consequences**

Should anyone misuse the interactive tools and methods (defined above), the Steubenville Conference Office reserves the right to delete and/or report such inappropriate comments, questions, responses, and/or posts from the live chat, Q & As, polls, Steubenville Live app, and/or social media. Should a viewer misuse the interactive tools and methods on numerous occasions, the viewer will be banned/blocked from utilizing the interactive tools for the duration of the conference.

## **Steubenville Live App**

The app is the best way to access and fully participate in the livestream's many interactive features, such as live polling, Q & A, and the live chat. It is also full of great resources, including the schedule, small group questions, suggested activities, and places to submit prayer intentions or give us your feedback! Much of the information listed in this Resource Guide can also be found on the app.

1. Download the myParish app from the iTunes/Google Play Store.
2. Click "Find a Parish" and type in "Steubenville Live."
3. You can find the interactive features under the "Livestream" button, but we encourage you to explore the many buttons and information available.
4. Allow for push notifications in order to get updates leading up to and throughout the conference weekend!

# **Programming Tips & Ideas**

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## Sacraments

If you are able to gather at your parish to watch the livestream, we encourage you to engage your pastor and discuss the following ideas:

1. Offer Eucharistic Adoration at the parish on Friday and/or Saturday. It would be an incredible opportunity to be in the presence of Jesus.
2. Set up a table as an altar in the same room as the livestream or walk over to the church together as a group.
3. Work with your music ministry for worship.
4. Provide your priest with the thematic overview, so he can give a brief reflection or provide focus during Adoration.
5. The group leader or another adult chaperone could pastorally wrap up the evening.
6. Offer the Sacrament of Reconciliation at the end of the scheduled session or during break times. In the Steubenville Live app, there is a Confession button that contains an Examination of Conscience.
7. Have Saturday and/or Sunday Mass as a group. Provide the priest with the theme summary and overview as a reference for his homily.

## Small Group Tips

### For Individuals

- **Reach out.** Even if your youth group is not participating in the event, reach out to one person in your life (e.g., a friend, parent, sibling, mentor) to share about your experience.
- **Invite a friend to sign up and watch, too!** This may be an opportunity for a friend to encounter Jesus in a new way.
- **Reflect and journal.** Keep a journal and pen at hand. During the breaks, use the small group questions provided to pray with and write about what has stood out to you and what God is doing in your life.
- **Spend time in personal prayer.** Read and pray with the Scriptures that were shared in the keynotes. Allow God to speak to you through them. Sit in silence in the Lord's presence.
  - A simple method to follow:
    - **Praise:** Offer God praise and thanksgiving for who he is and what he has done for you.
    - **Ask:** Offer prayers of petition to God for your intentions and the intentions of others. He wants us to speak our needs to him.
    - **Listen:** Silence your heart and mind and wait for God to speak. It may be helpful to read a passage from Scripture. Sit in silence, paying attention to how your heart or mind may be moved to a particular word or image.
- **Post comments and pictures** in the live chat and/or to social media using the hashtag **#SteubieLive** to tell us about your conference experience!

### For Group Leaders and Chaperones

- **Keep your questions open-ended.** Avoid yes/no questions.
- **Be comfortable in the silence.** Silence is okay in a small group. Sometimes people need time to process the questions before answering them.
- **Avoid talking too much.** This is a time for your group members to process their thoughts. If they have questions or need mentoring, give a shorter answer and let them know you can talk more together after the small group time. Remember that this is a journey and allow them to be where they are in the journey. Exemplify patience!
- **Choose the questions you think are best for your group.** The questions in the next section are meant to prompt you to ask further questions and facilitate conversation among the group. You do not need to ask every question. Feel free to ask follow-up questions as your group members process their experiences. You can ask even more specific questions about the keynote content.
- **Focus on your small group.** Your primary concern should be developing relationships with your small group. If everyone does this, each group member has someone that is focused on getting to know them.

- **Dos and Don'ts:**
  - **Don't** be afraid; you've been given this small group for a reason.
  - **Don't** be dominant; this is your group members' time to process the talks.
  - **Don't** push too hard; take note if someone isn't talking and approach them outside of small group time.
  - **Don't** make your small group your identity.
  - **Don't** be afraid to let your group members sit in silence.
  - **Don't** move on from a fruitful conversation just to get through all the small group questions.
  - **Don't** get into individual conversations that exclude the rest of the group.
  - **Do** love your group members for who they are and where they are.
  - **Do** find out about the family lives and spiritual lives of your group members.
  - **Do** seek out the quiet ones and get them involved.
  - **Do** listen more than you speak; watch your group members and respond to their needs.
  - **Do** create an accepting environment.
  - **Do** be real; be yourself.
  - **Do** pray for each member of your small group.
  - **Do** model the behavior you expect from your group members.
  - **Do** ask open-ended questions that need more than a one-word answer.

## **For Parents**

Many parents find it difficult to start faith discussions with their teens. Often, it is something that was not a part of their own upbringings. If this is you, here are a few tips to help to ease any of your worries about having a fruitful faith-based discussion with your children:

- Say a prayer to the Holy Spirit to inspire and guide your children and help them to be open to his grace.
- Young people have profound spiritual hunger. While they might not have a strong devotion to the Catholic faith, they are looking for meaning and purpose in their lives. Talking to them about their thoughts and feelings regarding the faith helps them to seek and find the answers they need.
- Even teens who are engaged in their faith have many deep questions and concerns. Being a young person today is hard. Much of what is going on in their lives is hiding beneath a veneer of "having it all together." Sometimes it only takes one question and one moment for them to let you into their lives.

- Despite what many in the media say, you still are the strongest influence on your children. Even just asking a question communicates that you care.
- Give your teens freedom to be honest. Their answers may not be perfect, but you want honesty and authenticity. Affirm their honesty.
- Spend more time listening than talking during small group time.
- Be authentic about your own spiritual journey. Share about your faith when you were a teen. Answer the questions honestly along with your teens.
- Be patient with your children if they don't open up to you right away.

## Small Group Questions

### Friday Session

1. Invite your small group to spend a few minutes with their eyes closed, imagining the scene of the Gospel story and themselves as one of the apostles on the boat. Read it first to remind them of what they heard in the talk.
  - What did you see, smell, hear, taste, and/or touch? What was the sea like? What was the boat like? How did you feel? What did you do? What did Jesus look like? What did Jesus do?
2. What two words would you use to describe your relationship with God right now?
3. How have you seen Jesus working in your life during the past few months?
4. What different types of reactions to stress and anxiety have you seen during the pandemic?
5. Describe a “storm” you have experienced in your life. Did you experience Jesus’ presence? How?
6. What’s a situation, fear, or anxiety in your life of which you’ll need to let go to be fully present to what God wants to say to you this weekend?
7. How would you define hope? What does it mean to say that hope is a gift?
8. Have you had an experience of losing hope or being let down by a person or a situation? Did that affect your understanding of God?
9. In the Letter to the Hebrews, it says we have hope as an anchor. How does Jesus anchor us during difficult times? Where have you seen Jesus anchor you in your life?
10. What is one thing you would like God to do in your life?

### Saturday Session 1

1. What is the difference between the hope the world offers and the hope Jesus offers?
2. What are some things, people, situations, etc., in which you have placed your hope? Have you been disappointed?
3. What does God promise us?
4. How can you relate to Abraham? Have there been situations in your life where you have been called to trust?
5. What is one practical thing you want to do to help you grow in trust and hope in God’s faithfulness?
6. Is there someone in your life that has been an example of trust in God? How did they exemplify trust?
7. What do you think Jesus would say to you when you are confused, uncertain, afraid, etc.?

## Saturday Session 2

1. How do you typically like to pray?
2. Do you find it hard to pray? Why?
3. How can you turn to Jesus in prayer during fears, anxieties, challenging situations, etc.?
4. Describe a time when prayer helped you in a difficult or uncertain situation.
5. Have you ever experienced peace or rest in your time of prayer? How would you describe that experience? What was it like?
6. What was your experience of the prayer time after the talk?
7. Did God say anything particular to you? Did anything stick out to you in the time of prayer?
8. How can you incorporate what you learned in the talk into your everyday life?
9. How do you want to grow in prayer in your daily life?
10. How can you pray at home?

## Saturday Session 3

1. Invite your small group to spend a few minutes with their eyes closed, imagining the scene of the Gospel story and themselves as Peter. Read it first to remind them of what they heard in the talk.
  - What did you see, smell, hear, taste, and/or touch? What was the sea like? What did Jesus look like? How did you feel? What did you do? What did Jesus do?
2. What would change in your life if you belonged to Jesus and started living more for him?
3. Describe a time in your life where you can relate to Peter stepping out of the boat.
4. Why might it be challenging to “step out of the boat” and follow Jesus? How can Jesus help you with those challenges?
5. Jesus rebukes Peter for his little faith, yet Peter was the only one who got out of the boat. How do you think the rest of the apostles felt?
6. What do you think is the relationship between faith and trust in this story?
7. Hope longs for a future good that is difficult to attain. Supernatural hope longs to be united to God for all eternity and is impossible to attain without God’s grace. How does God’s grace work in your own life? How would you define grace and its work?
8. Despair is a sin that opposes hope; it is the thought that your sins are greater than God’s mercy. What causes people to lose hope? Why do you think some people fall into despair? What can people do to overcome despair? (**Note:** We are not talking about depression, but despair.)
9. Describe a time in your life when a challenging situation or suffering ended up having a good outcome.

10. What did God do in your heart tonight during Eucharistic Adoration? Did he speak anything specifically to you? (**Note:** Help your group members understand that even if they didn't feel anything, God is still working in their lives and calling them to an intimate relationship with him.)
11. Next time you are faced with fear, uncertainty, suffering, and/or anxiety, what will you do? How will you respond?
12. What did you hear or experience this weekend that gives you hope?

## Games & Activities

### At Your Parish

- Scavenger Hunt (*Appendix i*)
- Chalk Art Drawing (*Appendix ii*)
- Simon Says
- Charades
- [Face the Cookie/Oreo](#)
- Two Truths and a Lie (*Appendix iii*)
- Outdoor Activities
  - Ultimate Frisbee
  - 3-Legged (or more) Race
  - Sack Race
  - Wheelbarrow Race
  - Keepaway Soccer
  - HORSE (basketball)
  - Frisbee Golf

### Remote Participation

*Your youth group can play these games virtually with one another even when they're at home watching the conference.*

- Virtual Scavenger Hunt (*Appendix iv*)
- Show and Tell - show the following items and tell a story about them:
  - Something cool in your room
  - Family pets
  - Oldest condiment in your fridge
  - Cool t-shirt
  - Favorite thing you own
  - Award/Trophy/Possession of which you're most proud
  - The funniest thing in your house
- Weird Tricks: Home Edition – have your youth group do fun tricks!
  - Balance a spoon on your nose
  - Balance a broom on its own
  - Build a house of cards
  - Make a tower out of disposable cups (who can build the fastest)
  - Who can stick the most sticky notes on a hat and wear it (without the notes falling off)
  - Who can stack the most books on their head

- Competitions – give your group some friendly competition (just let them know beforehand!)
  - Goofiest hat
  - Craziest socks
  - Craziest hair style
  - Weirdest/Coollest pet
- Trivia – make a trivia game with facts about your parish, the Catholic faith, or anything else that seems fun. See below for some websites that can help you create your own trivia game.
- Charades
- Simon Says
- [Face the Cookie/Oreo](#)
- Two Truths and a Lie (*Appendix iii*)

### External Resources for In-Person or Remote Participation

*Note: This list does not mean that we personally endorse any of these companies; we share it in order to give you additional resources to enhance your group's experience. If you have any questions or need assistance, you can contact the companies directly.*

- **Kahoot:** [kahoot.com](https://kahoot.com)  
Kahoot is an online tool where you can create your own trivia or learning games. You can host a live game with questions on a big screen or share a game with remote players.
- **QuizShow:** [www.quizshow.io](https://www.quizshow.io)  
QuizShow is an online tool where you can create your own trivia games. You can do poll questions, open answer questions, matching questions, multiple choice questions, and more.
- **Crowd Control:** [crowdcontrolgames.com](https://crowdcontrolgames.com)  
Crowd Control has an entire page just for socially distanced and Zoom games. All these games can be purchased individually and played right in Zoom.

There are also larger games that can be played in large conference-sized groups on the main screen.

# Praying for & with One Another

## Individual Prayer

- Share your prayer intentions through the Steubenville Live app. We will offer these intentions at Mass during the conference. Pray for the intentions that others have shared! This is an opportunity to be connected through prayer while physically apart.
- Ask your parents or siblings to pray with you. You can share your intentions out loud and end with an Our Father, Hail Mary, and Glory Be.

## Family/Group Prayer

- Invite everyone to share their own prayer intentions.
- If everyone is comfortable, one person can open with a prayer, and each person can pray specifically for their intentions in their own words.
- Pray the Litany of Trust, Rosary, or the Divine Mercy Chaplet together. (The “Prayers” button on the Steubenville Live app provides these and many other prayers that can be prayed out loud together!)

## How to Pray with Someone

1. Ask the person if anyone has ever prayed with them before, and if not, first explain prayer ministry and intercession.
  - A simple explanation: It is asking someone to pray for them, and instead of the other person praying alone later, they will pray for them out loud right away.
2. Ask them if there is anything specific on their heart for which they would like prayers.
3. Begin with prayers of gratitude for the person, for God’s love of them, and for what God is doing in their heart.
4. Offer their intentions out loud. Always bring them to Christ and direct your prayer and focus to him.
  - **Note:** If a Scripture or an image comes to mind that might be helpful for the person, discern whether or not it will be received well. If you decide to share it, make sure to explain that God will sometimes speak through Scripture or images and encourage them to continue to pray with it and see how God is speaking to them through it.
5. Close the time with a prayer that can be prayed out loud together (Hail Mary, Our Father, Glory Be, etc.).
6. Encourage them to continue to seek God in prayer. Encourage them to continue to talk with someone about what God is doing in their life and, if needed, help them to seek additional help through counseling, spiritual direction, mentorship, etc.

# Appendix

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## Parish Scavenger Hunt

*Have your youth group hunt around the parish to find the following items. This can be done in small groups or individually. Ensure that every group has a camera of some kind, as some of the items require pictures!*

- Statue/Icon/Image of Mary – say a Memorare for someone you know that is sick
- Favorite place to pray
- Image/Statue/Medal of your patron saint – say a prayer, asking for their intercession
- Depiction of the Holy Spirit (candle, dove image, etc.)
- Crucifix - meditate on Christ's Passion for a moment
- Green space (flowers in or outside of church, backyard at home) - thank God for his beautiful creation
- Sanctuary of your church - stop and pray
- Something Franciscan (e.g., FUS gear, tau cross, 3-knot rope, St. Francis statue, picture of Assisi)
- The most beautiful rosary you can find - say a decade of it for your parish community
- Retreat/Steubenville t-shirt - share a memory with your group from that retreat/conference
- Bible - take a picture of your favorite verse
- Saint book
- Encyclical or the Catechism
- Your youth group (selfie time!)
- Take a picture of your best chalk art and submit it
- Take a picture outside your youth minister's office and say a Hail Mary for youth ministers
- Take a picture outside the sacristy and say an Our Father for priests
- Take a picture with the vocations poster and pray for vocations
- Take a picture of your favorite piece of art/statue in your church

## **Chalk Art Drawing**

*Use these topics to create your own Pictionary game in the parish parking lot or have all your teens work together to create a masterpiece (don't forget to send us a picture on social media!).*

- Mary
- The Resurrection
- Heaven
- 6 days of creation
- Your church
- Pope
- The Holy Family
- 10 Commandments
- Eucharist (Bread and Wine)
- Easter candle
- Stations of the Cross
- Hope Alive logo
- Scripture scene – Calming the Storm at Sea
- Scripture scene – Jesus Walking on Water

## Two Truths and a Lie

*This game is ideal for 10 to 15 people, but if you have a larger gathering, divide people up into teams so it doesn't take longer than 15 to 20 minutes to get through everyone.*

1. To get started, explain the game to the group. Let them know that each person will introduce themselves by stating two truths and one lie. They don't have to be intimate, life-revealing things, just simple hobbies, interests, or past experiences that make each person unique.
  - The lie can be outrageous, wacky, or sound like a truth, making it even harder for the other participants who have to guess which statement is a lie.
2. Each person goes one at a time; the group has to guess which statements are true and which statement is a lie. It's up to your group if you wish to keep score or just play for fun to get to know each other.

## Virtual Scavenger Hunt

*Your youth group doesn't need to leave the house to have a fun scavenger hunt! This list has items that are probably already in their houses (or fridges!). To raise the stakes, try offering a prize to the first person to submit pictures of everything on the list.*

- Soy sauce
- Steubenville t-shirt from last year
- A family pet
- A stuffed animal
- The biggest coffee mug you can find
- A textbook
- A boardgame
- A piece of sports equipment
- A pool noodle
- A box of pasta
- A candle
- A decorative pillow
- A houseplant
- A magnet
- A deck of cards
- A flashlight
- Toilet paper (extra points for every roll)
- A toaster
- Chips and salsa



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