



The Roman Catholic Diocese of
BATON ROUGE
YOUTH & YOUNG ADULT MINISTRY

LUNCH FOR LIFE

POLICIES AND PROCEDURES

GROUP LEADERS

- Group leaders are responsible for registering their group online. If adjustments need to be made, please contact the Youth Office. You can register online at <https://diobr.org/youth-programs-and-events>
- Individual registrations will not be accepted. All youth must have a chaperone.
- Please bring original copies of each participants' registration forms to the event.

PARTICIPANT & CHAPERONE POLICY

- *Lunch for Life* is for youth in grades 6-12.
- One (1) chaperone (21 years or older) is required for every six (6) youth participants in each parish or school group. It is encouraged that if you have both male and female participants attending, you provide at least one male and one female chaperone.
- ***Youth may NOT be dropped off without a chaperone on site and group leaders and chaperones must stay until all their youth are picked up from the cathedral.***
- All chaperones, parents, and young adult volunteers/chaperones must be Safe Environment Certified through the Diocese of Baton Rouge. If trained in a diocese other than the Diocese of Baton Rouge, that chaperone must go through the training set forth by the Diocese of Baton Rouge.

CANCELATIONS & REFUNDS

- All registration after **Tuesday, January 20th, 2026** are non-refundable. Refunds may be issued prior to the event and spots transferred within your group by contacting Kathleen Higgins at khiggins@diobr.org.

PARKING & DROP OFF/PICK UP

- **Event Address: 401 Main Street, Baton Rouge, LA 70802**
- *Lunch for Life* will occur after the Louisiana Life March and Rally. The March will occur after the Respect Life Mass at St. Joseph Cathedral. Mass will begin at 8:30Am and then participants in the March will meet at the State Capitol Lawn intersection of North 4th St. & Spanish Town Rd. The March will end at Galvez Plaza and the rally is expected to end around noon. Groups, with their chaperones and group leader, will then make their way back to the Parish Activity Center at St. Joseph Cathedral.

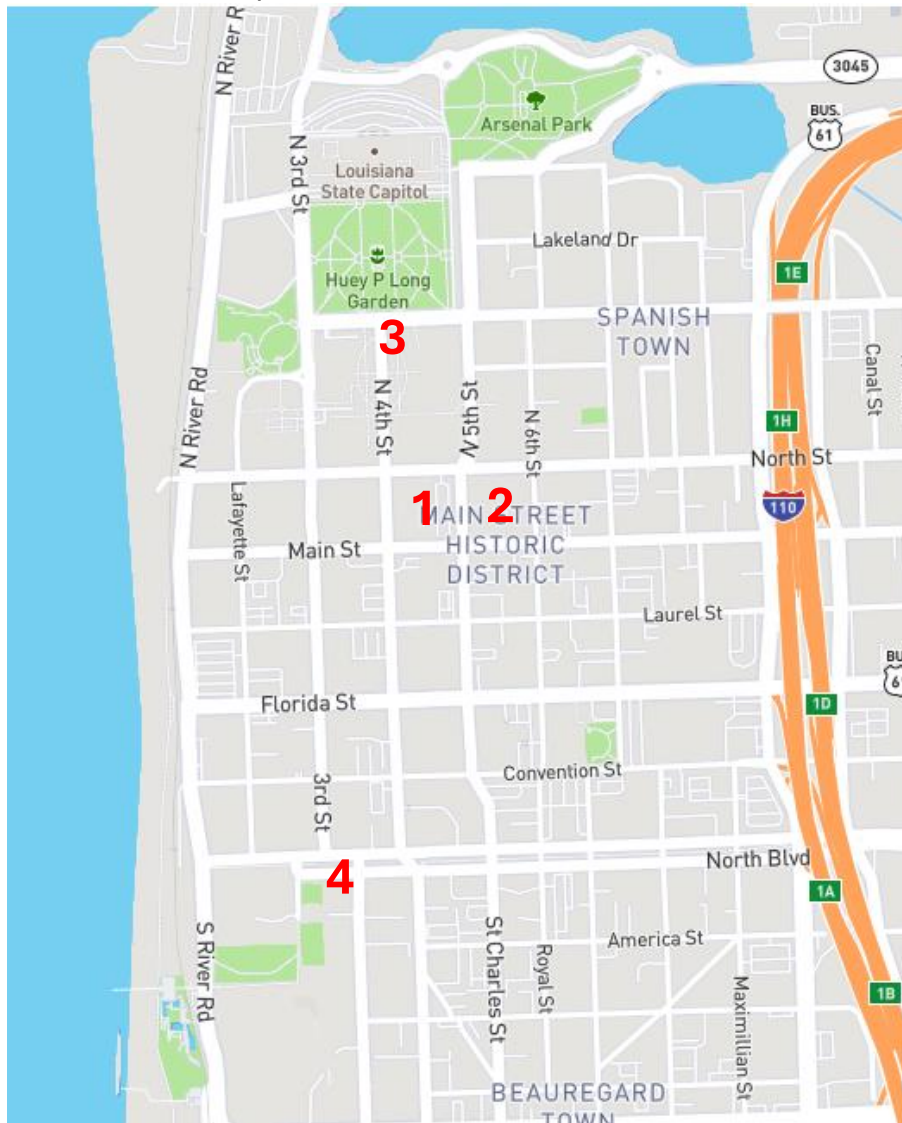
- **Parking** is available in the Cathedral parking lot as well across N 5th St. in the Galvez Garage. Please let Kathleen know if you need to make arrangements to park a bus.
- **Pick Up:** If students are being picked up individually from the Parish Activity Center, it is the responsibility of the group leader to stay, with the appropriate number of chaperones, until all of their youth have been picked up by a parent or guardian. Pick will occur from the parish activity center parking lot. Youth are not to be picked up in any other place downtown. All youth should be picked up by 1:30PM.

1 – St. Joseph Cathedral – 401 Main St., Baton Rouge, LA 70802

2 – Galvez Garage – 405 Main St, Baton Rouge, LA 70801

3 – State Capitol Lawn – Intersection of North 4th St. & Spanish Town Rd.

4 – Galvez Plaza – 238 North Blvd #200, Baton Rouge, LA 70802 Located in North Boulevard Town Square



NAMETAGS

- Group leaders will be given *Lunch for Life* nametags for all participants at the Registration Table before the event.
- All participants and chaperones must wear the event-issued nametag to gain entry to the Parish Activity Center and must wear their nametag at all times during the event.
- Participants, chaperones, and youth should remain in the Parish Activity Center or the surrounding grounds of the Cathedral at all times during *Lunch for Life*. Youth should not leave the Parish Activity Center without a chaperone.

DRESS CODE

- **Clothing must be modest and appropriate at all times.**
- No tank tops, midriff tops, strapless tops, short shorts (e.g. Nike shorts), tennis skirts or pajama pants are permitted. Skirts of appropriate length (with hems below the fingertips) are allowed only if shorts or leggings are worn underneath.
- Leggings are permitted but a shirt must cover the behind.
- Saggy pants that expose one's undergarments are not allowed. Undergarments must be concealed at all times.
- Participants must wear shoes at all times.
- No clothing depicting vulgar or inappropriate images, in addition to alcohol, tobacco or illegal substances, will be tolerated.

LIST OF PROHIBITED ITEMS & PROHIBITED ACTIVITIES

- No alcohol, cigarettes, e-cigarettes, illegal drugs, firearms, pocketknives, lighters, or matches
- No laser-pointers, fireworks, noisemakers (e.g. air horns, cowbells, vuvuzelas, etc.)
- No headphones, earbuds, video games, or other entertainment devices are permitted.
- We request that all cell phones be turned off or on vibrate during *Lunch for Life*. We strongly recommend group leaders take their youths' phones prior to the event but are ultimately responsible for making sure that their youths' phones are not out during the event. Please make sure that parents know that during the *Lunch for Life*, youth will not have access to their phones and that parents should contact the group leader should they need to get in touch.
- No rough-housing, shoulder rides, crowd surfing, or piggyback rides
- No smoking will be allowed on site during the event. Tobacco products of any kind are not allowed.
- Louisiana State Law prohibits the use of tobacco products by anyone under 18 years of age.

- All youth are to remain inside the Parish Activity Center unless accompanied by a chaperone.
- All participants are to adhere to the policies and procedures of St. Joseph Cathedral which will be given prior to the start of the event.

LUNCH FOR LIFE POINT OF CONTACTS

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