



CCM Leadership Personal Commitment Form

I understand that serving on the Leadership Team involves a significant time commitment. Therefore, while my vocation as a college student will always be foremost, I will manage my time so that I can:

- Maintain an active prayer life
- Participate in Leadership Team retreats and regular team meetings
- Be present at key CCM events (though not necessarily all) on a weekly basis
- Personally reach out to my fellow Catholic students to invite and welcome them to our community
- Plan, organize, and carry out the responsibilities of my position
- Empower, encourage, and mentor the students who assist me in my responsibilities

I understand that by accepting this leadership position I represent more than myself, because I will be representing Catholic Campus Ministry on my campus, and in a broader sense, the Catholic Church. I also understand that my fellow students will look to me as a representative not only at CCM events, but when they see me at other times and in other contexts as well. Therefore, I will do my best to conduct myself according to these principles:

- I will regularly practice my Catholic faith by **attending Mass** on Sundays and Holy Days of Obligation, making time for regular personal prayer, and **seeking the Sacrament of Reconciliation** when needed (at least once a year).
- I will respect Catholic teaching and seek to grow in my own understanding of the Catholic faith. I will not teach my fellow students anything contrary to the Catholic faith, nor present my own opinions as authoritative in areas where I do not know what the Catholic teaching is on a given topic. Rather, I will admit the limits of what I know and work together with my fellow students to find the answers to their questions from reliable Catholic sources.
- I will respect the pastoral care of the Catholic Campus Ministry community on all levels: the Lay Director of Campus Ministry; the pastor and other clergy of St. Theresa's; the Bishop of the Diocese of Richmond and his staff; and the Pope and his delegates.
- I will do my best to be a good moral example to my fellow students, especially in matters that are morally challenging for many college students and can lead to serious physical, moral, emotional, and spiritual harm, including:
 - At any event, gathering, or party where my fellow students are present, if I am 21 or older, I will only drink in moderation. If I am under 21, I will not consume alcoholic beverages.
 - I will not use illegal drugs.
 - I will seek the virtue of chastity in my own life, I will save the gift of sex for marriage, and I will show respect for my fellow students by avoiding behavior that could make their own struggle for chastity more difficult.
 - I will be prudent in sharing with others what was discussed at Leadership Team meetings, honoring the trust of my fellow student leaders and the discretion of my position.
 - I will be mindful of how I portray myself on social media. I will not post inappropriate or immodest pictures, use foul language, or publicly endorse anything that is contrary to Catholic teaching.
 - I will strive to relate to others in a Christian and charitable manner at all times.

As a member of the CCM Leadership Team, I will take primary responsibility for keeping the above commitments. However, in a spirit of humble fraternal correction, I will also be open to listening to the concerns of my fellow team members and pastoral team about how I keep these commitments. I will likewise be charitable about bringing my concerns to them, so that we as a student board may mutually encourage one another to become better servant leaders for our fellow students.

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