



DIOCESE OF NEWARK

TAIZÉ PILGRIMAGE APPLICATION

**This pilgrimage with our Bishop will take place from
July 19-27, 2014**

All applicants must be at least 18 years old by July 19th.

DEADLINE: February 28, 2014

Full Name _____

Address _____

Birth date _____ Sex M F

Home phone number () _____

Cell phone number () _____

E-mail address _____

Congregation & City _____

On a separate sheet of paper, please thoughtfully and prayerfully answer the following questions.

1. Why are you interested in joining this pilgrimage to Taizé? What do you hope to do or learn in Taizé?
2. How do you interact with young adults in group settings (e.g., peacemaker, energizer, facilitator, etc.)?
3. Are you comfortable in groups of strangers?
4. What ministries and activities have you been involved with in your congregation, the Diocese, the Province or on the national level (and when)? (You don't have to have attended a Diocesan, Provincial or national event to join this pilgrimage.) Why did you choose those ministries or activities?
5. What gifts would you bring to the Newark contingent (e.g. music, dance, speech, writing, art, organization, open mind, good listening...)?
6. Would you be willing to come back and share the things you learned with other groups in the Diocese? How might you do that?

APPLICANT COVENANT

I understand that this is an *application* to attend the Taizé pilgrimage, that there are a limited number of spaces available and that I may not be chosen to attend. I am applying to go to Taizé because I truly want to make this pilgrimage. Including travel time, the trip may go from July 19-28, 2014. I understand that, if chosen, I will be with the group for the entire time -- I cannot attend only a portion of the trip. If I am chosen to go to Taizé, I agree to abide by all rules and norms (including refraining from using illegal drugs and not engaging in inappropriate sexual behavior), and that I will be asked to attend a mandatory orientation to prepare me for the event. I may be asked to share my Taizé experience with other people in the Diocese and in my own congregation.

Signature

Date

PRIEST RECOMMENDATION

I recommend this person to attend the Taizé pilgrimage with the Bishop from July 9-27, 2014. I am aware that this person may come to his/her congregation to ask for some financial assistance to attend. I agree to discuss my reason for recommending this young person with the diocesan Director of Youth & Young Adult Ministries when she calls.

Signature

Date

Please fill out completely and return *with your \$150 non-refundable deposit*¹ by **February 28, 2014** to:

Diocese of Newark
31 Mulberry St.
Newark, NJ 07102
Attn: Ms. Kaileen T. Alston,
Director of Youth & Young Adult Ministries

¹ Deposit will be returned if you are not selected for the pilgrimage.

For more information please contact Kaileen Alston, diocesan Director of Youth & Young Adult Ministries at (973) 430-9991 or kalston@dioceseofnewark.org or visit the official Taizé website at <http://www.taize.fr/en>.

This pilgrimage is intended for young adults between 18-27 years old. We will also take some older adults as space provides. We hope to take a group that reflects the diversity of ethnicities, genders, economic backgrounds, family backgrounds, geography, levels of ability and gifts of our diocese. We will hold an orientation meeting and will set the date of the orientation together, considering the participants' schedules.