

TRIUMPH 2022 Youth and Children Retreat: Big Thank You...



Our Parish was so blessed over the weekend 29th and 30th of October to host a retreat for our young people led by the Alliance of the Two Hearts Brothers and sisters and what a faith-filled two days it was! This retreat was able to allow many our young people to build up their relationship with Jesus and his blessed Mother Mary. Weekend was filled with several opportunities such as mass, Adoration, Confession, and the Rosary. We witnessed the faith of our young people and their eagerness to grow in their faith journey. Also I personally experienced the support and encouragement from our parishoners. I would like to say a very big and heartfelt thank you for all the parents who helped during this retreat and your hard work behind the scene. Without your support it would not have been a success! May the good Lord bless you and your families abundantly! (*Fr. Anil Mascarenhas*)

Here are few comments rearding TRIUMPH 2022 retreat from our young people who attended the retreat....

It was an incredible experience to be at the Triumph Conference over the weekend. From the processions to the talks to praying the Holy Rosary together to Adoration - it was truly a weekend of getting closer with our Lord and growing in our Faith. We were so privileged to have the Alliance of the Two Hearts come to St Kevin's. - *Jess*

The Triumph retreat was a magnificent experience for me. My favorite part was the talk given by Br. Giovanni, in which he related different animals to different human traits such as pride, envy, greed, lust etc. He explained to us how to avoid such negative human traits. This retreat helped me understand my relationship with God and helped me draw more closer and be open to God's ways and his everlasting Love for me. - **Alana Peters**

The Triumph retreat was a good experience. I liked all the talks given by Brothers. The procession of Mother Mary's Statue with the Living Rosary, the balloons and blessing of scapular's was so special. My family wears the scapular everyday now. I also liked all the games. - **Aaron Peters**

"The Triumph retreat was a good occasion to develop all the youth's spiritual journeys and it has given us a chance to have a closer relationship with God. Beside the spiritual side, I found the retreat a good time for everyone to get to know more people in our parish and the wider community. I'm sure that during mass, both you and I can see the impacts of the retreat towards everyone who had attended." - **Chenara Silva**

"In this Triumph retreat we learnt how powerful is the rosary and the holy Eucharist and also to be reverent at the holy mass and at the adoration of the holy sacrament. We learnt about the seven capital sins and much more. We had a chance to do confession too. The retreat was a great blessing for us. Thank you Fr. Anil. Mother Mary we love you so so much!" - **Huvindu Silva**

"The Triumph retreat was great. It had a lot of important topics and there was NOT too much information that I couldn't handle. I feel that after the retreat my faith has increased. We are now going to the chapel a lot more as well as the grotto. We really do have to thank the brothers and sisters for coming to our parish and Fr Anil for convincing them to come. - **Nadine:**

What a fantastic retreat! If Ignite lit a spark, Triumph added the fuel. We've already seen the fruits of this retreat with more youth joining the Parish Zoom Rosary, sharing their prayer experiences, showing more reverence for the Eucharist and also visiting the chapel together with some of the younger children after Mass. I pray we only grow from here!! - - **Danielle**

The 'Triumph' retreat has been an enriching experience for me and has really opened my eyes to how the devil has manipulated the world to divert from true worship to the Lord Jesus Christ and our Blessed Mother Mary. Initially, I wasn't going to attend the retreat because I had exams the next week, but I convinced myself to go since opportunities like this don't come too often, and I have attended 3 other retreats run by the same group before, so I know that it is really good. This retreat however has been an especially wonderful experience for me and has instilled a great longing in me to come to church and live the CARE lifestyle by going to confession more often, having adoration more often, praying the rosary as much as I can and coming to mass as often as possible. I have already seen the immense graces this has done for my life, and I can see how Jesus is guiding me to remove things in my life that do not please him. Jesus and Mother Mary are continually making my life more and more perfect, and I can't wait to see where they take me next. -**Rohan**

The 'Triumph' retreat was a great opportunity for me to deepen my faith and learn more about what it means to be a good Catholic. The retreat allowed me to gain a greater understanding of why we are encouraged to lead a certain way of life, as well as the importance of praying the Rosary and

attending Adoration. The talks gave me a good insight on the values and principles us young people should embrace and adhere to.- **Nikita**

The 'Triumph' retreat was a very good spiritual experience for me. It brought me closer to God. The Brothers were very good at keeping us lively and interactive with some fun games, which also helped us to bond with all the other kids. Thank u so much Fr Anil. - **Naomi**

The 'Triumph' retreat was a great spiritual experience!! We are so blessed to have a retreat like this at our very own parish of St. Kevin's Hampton Park, it was so special to see so many enthused and excited youth and young people gathered together to learn and grow in their faith! - **Sheldon**