

**St. Bernard Youth Mission Trip**  
**Pine Ridge Reservation**  
**July 21- July 29**

**Description of Pine Ridge Site:** the site is located in the southwest corner of South Dakota and on the border of Nebraska. The Reservation was established in 1889 and is approximately 3,468 sq. miles in size. It is among the poorest in the nation. The unemployment rate is roughly 85% and the average income is \$3700 per year. The inhabitants of the reservation suffer from poverty and addiction. The values they hold most dear are honesty, wisdom, respect, courage, and responsibility. Despite the struggles, the Lakota Sioux people have a beautiful culture and resilient spirit.

**OVERNIGHTS:**

- July 21 Graham's Best Western Inn- Murdo, SD
- Badland for Communion and the Word & Wall Drug
- July 22 Arrive at Pine Ridge Site
- July 22- July 27 Pine Ridge Reservation/ YouthWorks!!
- July 27 Comfort Inn- Hill City, SD
- Night Lighting of Crazy Horse
- July 28 Sioux Falls, SD ????
- July 29 Return home about 6pm

**CAPACITY:** 15 youth and 3 adults.  
Both male and female with 1 male leader

**Projected Costs before fundraising and donations:** \$850 per person  
This amount includes all transportation, park and event admissions, and lodging as well as all meals on reservation.

**DEPOSITS AND PAYMENTS:**

- \$100 non refundable deposit at time of sign up
- \$100 Feb. 1, 2012
- Balance due June 1, 2012
- \$50 final meeting and paperwork session

All fundraising contributions will be known prior to the June final payment. You will be notified of the amount due for your son/daughter.

**SELLING SHARES:**

Youth will sell shares to support them on the mission trip. We will sell them at Masses, but youth are encouraged to sell them to family members as well. Shares can sponsor individual youth or the group. Kathy will explain in more details.

We are selling shares the weekend of November 12 & 13 as well as Sunday, Nov. 20

**FUNDRAISING:**

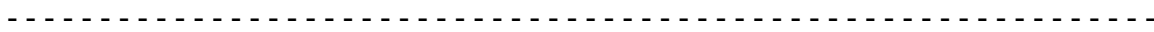
I will try to organize two events, the selling of shares and a pancake breakfast. Money raised from the fund raiser will be divided among the youth that participate. The fundraisers also give the youth a chance to work with one another before we go on the mission trip.

I would like to have a silent auction or raffle. If you can start to ask area businesses to donate items now, we can compile a list before Christmas. If we can get a few big items like a quilt or autographed something from UW Badgers, it would be great. Please start asking and collecting. Items can be given to me at any point before December 12.

**Signing up for the mission trip** you are agreeing to the following:

- Attend all mission trip meetings
- Participate in fundraising events such as selling shares and country breakfast
  - Selling shares Nov. 12 & 13
  - Country Breakfast Jan. 22
  - Silent Auction or Raffle
  - ??? April or May

If you agree to the above and would like to reserve a spot, return the bottom portion with the \$100 non-refundable deposit. Checks can be made out to St. Bernard. This is a first come first serve and a waiting list may be created.



Name \_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_                      Shirt Size \_\_\_\_\_

Email Address \_\_\_\_\_

Grade currently in \_\_\_\_\_

Parent Names \_\_\_\_\_

Parent Signature \_\_\_\_\_

Student Signature \_\_\_\_\_