



# **2016 Bishop England Trek**

Sunday, June 12, 2016 to Saturday, June 18, 2016



#### **General Information**

The Bishop England Trek is a high adventure Catholic leadership program for Catholic Boy Scouts and Venture Crew members situated on the Foot Hills Trail in the Upstate of South Carolina. The program brings Catholic youth from the Dioceses of Charleston and Savannah together with selected priests, religious and seminarians for 5 days of backpacking in the context of a vocation retreat.

### **Dates and Itinerary**

The 2016 Bishop England Trek begins on Sunday, June 12, 2016 in Spartanburg, South Carolina, where the participants meet, get to know one another, train, have fun and pray. On Monday they begin their hike from either the top of Sassafras Mountain or Oconee State Park, working their way along the Foot Hills Trail over 5 days to Devils Fork State Park. While hiking and camping, they will experience a program that is designed to encourage the integration of morality, values, spirituality, faith, scripture and vocation in their lives as young Catholic Men and Women. At the conclusion of the trek on Saturday, June, 18, 2016, they will be asked to continue their discernment and if they so desire make an application to attend the St. George





Trek at Philmont Scout Ranch in 2017. Participants will also be asked to utilize the leadership skills gained and to become role models for their fellow scouts.

#### **Candidate Qualification / Selection**

Boy Scouts and Venture Crew members, ages 14 and above, as of July 1, 2016, having completed the Ad Altari Dei and/or Pope Pius XII Religious Emblem by January 31, 2016 are eligible to complete an application for the Bishop England Trek. Because the program can only accommodate 36 youth, selection will be made based on demonstrated maturity, physical ability, leadership potential, and interest in the life of the Church. All participants must have the physical health and stamina to backpack on the rigorous mountain trails, covering up to 10 miles per day. No exceptions can be made to these expectations and requirements. An all female crew is planned pending sufficient female registration. Participants will be notified of their selection on or before February 7, 2016.

#### Trek Preparation / Adult Leadership and Logistics Support / Fees

Boy Scouts and Venture Crew members selected to participate in the Bishop England Trek will be assigned to a Trek Crew comprised of a priest, seminarian and 1 additional adult leader with up to 9 youth. During the months of February – May 2016, the Trek Crew will complete 2 or more weekend hikes / camping outings to prepare for the Bishop England Trek. Adult Leaders will be assigned based on regional locale in relation to the Trek Crew. Final Trek Crews and logistics support assignments will be made by April 30, 2016. The fee for the Bishop England Trek is \$100.00. An additional \$50.00 will be due to help defray the cost of the practice hikes.

#### Applications should be submitted with deposit by February 1, 2016 to:

BE Trek – Crew 100

c/o St. Joseph Church 3512 Devine Street

Columbia, SC 29205

**Deposit:** \$100.00

Checks payable to:

BE Trek - Crew 100

**Balance Due** 

**by 3/31/16:** \$ 50.00

#### Questions may be emailed to:

Tom Militello
Crew 100 Advisor
tom@stjosephcolumbia.org



Name: Tom Militello



# **Bishop England Trek - Youth Application & Activity Consent**

First Name of Participant	Middle	Last Name	Birth-date	Age					
Address									
Has Approval to Participate in:	Bishop England	Trek and Associated Act	ivities / Events						
From <u>1/1/2016 to 6/30/2016</u> X	Without Restriction	on Special Considera	ations	<del></del>					
HOLD HARMLESS AGREEMEN	т								
I understand that participation physically, mentally, and emot given consent for myself or m this activity is entirely voluntal conduct. I release the Boy Scot 100, the activity coordinators associated with the activity from In case of emergency involving event I cannot be reached, I leader in charge to secure proper medication for my child. Medic findings, test results, and treat up and communication with the ability to continue in the programmedical security.	tionally demanding child to particity and requires pouts of America, and all employment any and all clambereby give my per treatment, including providers are ment provided for participant's particip	ng. I have carefully conspate in this activity. I also participants to abide by Diocese of Charleston, yees, volunteers, related ims or liability arising our inderstand every effort we permission to the mediculation of authorized to disclose for purposes of medical establic participants.	sidered the risk involves understand that parapplicable rules and St. Joseph Catholic Ced parties, or other of this participation.  Till be made to contact cal provider selected anesthesia, surgery, or to the adult in charge evaluation of the participation.	ed and have articipation in standards of Church, Crev organizations of me. In the by the adult injections of examination ipant, follow					
Participant's Signature			Date	)					
Parent / Guardian Printed Nam	ne	Parent/ Guardian Sign	ature	Date					
Participant's Phone Number		Participant's Email							
Parent / Guardian Phone Number		Parent / Guardian Email							
Contact the Adult Leader with a	ny questions:								

Phone: 803.261.7405 Email: tom@stjosephcolumbia.org.





## **Youth Applicant Background Information**

First Name of Participant	Middle	Last Name		Birth-date	Age on 7-1-16
		Address			<del></del>
Parent / Guardian's Phone Nun	nber	Parent / Gua	ırdian's Email	<del> </del>	
Participant's Phone Number		Participant's	Email		
Participant's School	Grade as of July 1	, 2016	City/Town	State	
Catholic Church Affiliation	Diocese		City/Town	State	
 Troop / Crew Unit Number	Council		City/Town	 State	
Scout	master / Crew A	Advisor Co	ntact Inforr	nation:	
First Name	Middle	Last Nan	ne	Position	_
		Address			<del></del>
Phone Number					
Religi	ious Emblem Pr	ogram / D	ate of Comp	oletion	
	Ad Altare Dei	Pc	pe Pius XII		

Note: Upon selection, all youth and adults are required to complete and pass a BSA High Adventure Medical Evaluation.