

St. Peter's Monastery Youth Camp Information Sheet

Please keep this sheet as a reminder of Camp Details!

Dates: Sunday, June 23 – Saturday, June 29, 2019

Ages: 14–22

Locations: St. Peter's Monastery site (arrive on Sunday, June 23 after 3 p.m.)
209 Old Mill Road, Harrison, MT 59735
(approx. 1 hour west of Bozeman and 1 hour east of Butte)

You are welcome to come early and/or stay late in Bozeman, and worship at St. Anthony Orthodox Church. Saturday Vespers is 6 p.m.. Sunday Matins at 8:00 a.m., Divine Liturgy at 9:30 a.m. followed by a Fellowship Meal. 119 St. Anthony Way Bozeman, MT 59718

3. Fee:

All campers (14-22 year olds) are \$300 per person, and adult leader fee is \$100. These fees cover the cost of building materials, meals, insurance, and other incidentals only.

4. Applications:

All applications and a non-refundable deposit of \$100 must be received by February 28, 2019 mailed to:

St. Anthony Orthodox Church, 66 St Anthony Way, Bozeman, MT 59718

Please make checks out to St. Peter's Monastery. If coming in a group, please send one check from your church.

Final Payment is due by Thursday, June 13.

5. Staff:

We require a sizable staff (clergy and laity) to operate the camp in an effective and safe manner for our campers. We strive to have at least a 5:1 staff ratio. If you would like to join the SPM camp staff, please contact the Camp Director, Fr. David Morrison (frdavid@orthodoxbozeman.org)

Please list any work and building experience you have. All staff members must have completed background checks (see all required paperwork).

6. Activities:

The primary purpose of St. Peter's Monastery Youth Camp is to assist monks in the construction of Montana's first Orthodox monastery. The daily schedule is posted on the

monastery's web site at stpetersmonastery.com. Campers should familiarize themselves with this.

There will be ample periods for rest and relaxation, as well as for worship and discussion with monastics and each other. St Peter's is being built on a beautiful thousand-acre ranch east of Harrison, Montana. It borders Harrison Lake for a mile and offers opportunities for swimming, bathing and canoeing, as well as for hiking and exploring. Evening softball was a camp favorite last year.

Campers can expect to learn some of the basic skills of the building trade, especially masonry and landscaping, and they will have a variety of interactions with our visiting monastics to learn not only about monasticism, its history and role in the Church, but also about our Faith and how it informs our choices, our habits, our lives. Glory to God.

Campers will have fun making friends with other Orthodox Christians who face many of the same challenges they do growing of age in a secular society. A general code of good behavior will be announced at the opening session. Severe behavior problems, should there be any, will be dealt with in consultation with parents / legal guardians and parish priest.

7. Facilities:

Girls sleep on the mezzanine of a newly built barn, and boys sleep either in their own tents or under the stars on the grounds. Campers will wash up in the lake and use port-o-pottys. We will visit some natural hot springs mid-week—a good washing off time! They will help prepare their own (Lenten) meals with the supervision of the chef from food and menus that are provided.

8. What to Bring:

Warm sleeping bag, mat or air mattress, pillow, towels, toothbrush, toothpaste, soap, comb/brush, sunscreen, pajamas, flashlight, water bottle, Bible, changes of clothes including long pants (to work in,) shorts, a modest swim suit (one piece or full covering 2 piece), t-shirts, a sweater/fleece and/or jacket, sturdy shoes or hiking boots. A cap and long-sleeve T-work shirts for sun protection are recommended. Days are generally warm to hot and nights are cool. All clothing is assumed to be modest and appropriate to an Orthodox Christian witness. Shorts need to be long for girls and guys. No tight jeans. No "electronic devices" (ipods, mp3s, etc.). Phones are permitted but not encouraged, and signal is sketchy. No spending money is necessary. Please mark personal items with your name.

9. Transportation:

Transportation to and from camp is the responsibility of each camper's parents and/or parish. Our first session begins with dinner at 6:00p.m. Sunday the 23rd at St.Peter Monastery site in Harrison.

St. Anthony is roughly one hour's drive from the monastery.

10. Further Information:

If you have any questions or require additional information, please contact: Fr. David Morrison

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