



**Meet the 2016-2017
STYG
Leadership Team**



Name ~Katie McConnell

School ~WVHS

Grade ~10th

Hobbies ~ Drawing, listening to music, makeup, travel, spending time with my friends and family, and Netflix

Fun Fact About Myself ~Mint Green is my favorite color

Favorite Bible Verse ~"I sought the Lord and he answered me He freed me from all my fears" Psalms 34:4

Years on the Leadership Team ~This will be my first year.

Church Events Attended ~Fall Creek Falls camping, Charm on the Farm, 3 Kings Feast, 30 Hour Famine, VBS, Pancake Breakfast, Girl's Retreat.

Favorite Church Event ~My favorite church event was the girl's retreat. It was one of the best experiences of my life because I got to get closer to God while I got closer to amazing friends.

Message to Youth ~My advice to the youth of St. Therese is that youth group is a great way to get closer to God and make some new friends. The reason I waited so long to join is because I was nervous I wouldn't know anyone, but I finally got the courage to go and I absolutely don't regret it. I made many wonderful friends and you will too!



Name ~Charlie Held

School ~Homeschool

Grade ~11th Grade

Hobbies ~ Football, Working,
Swimming

Fun Fact About Myself ~Soft pretzels
are my favorite food.

Favorite Bible Verse ~“When the just
cry out, the Lord hears them, and from
all their distress He rescues them.”
Psalm 34:18

Years on the Leadership Team ~1st
year on the Leadership Team



Church Events Attended ~ Parish Homecoming, All Hallows Eve, Three Kings Feast, 30 Hour Famine, Charm on the Farm, Catholic Heart Work Camp

Favorite Church Event ~Three Kings Feast was my favorite because I could see the joy on everyone's face when they were treated with hospitality.

Message to Youth ~ No matter what, stay strong in your faith. In this day and age, and especially in this area, your faith will be challenged. Knowing how to stay strong in your faith will bring you closer to God.



Name ~Fatima Fernandez

School ~Cleveland

Grade ~11th

Hobbies ~ Being around friends and family, reading, listening to music, dancing

Fun Fact About Myself ~I love meeting people and being/helping out at Church.

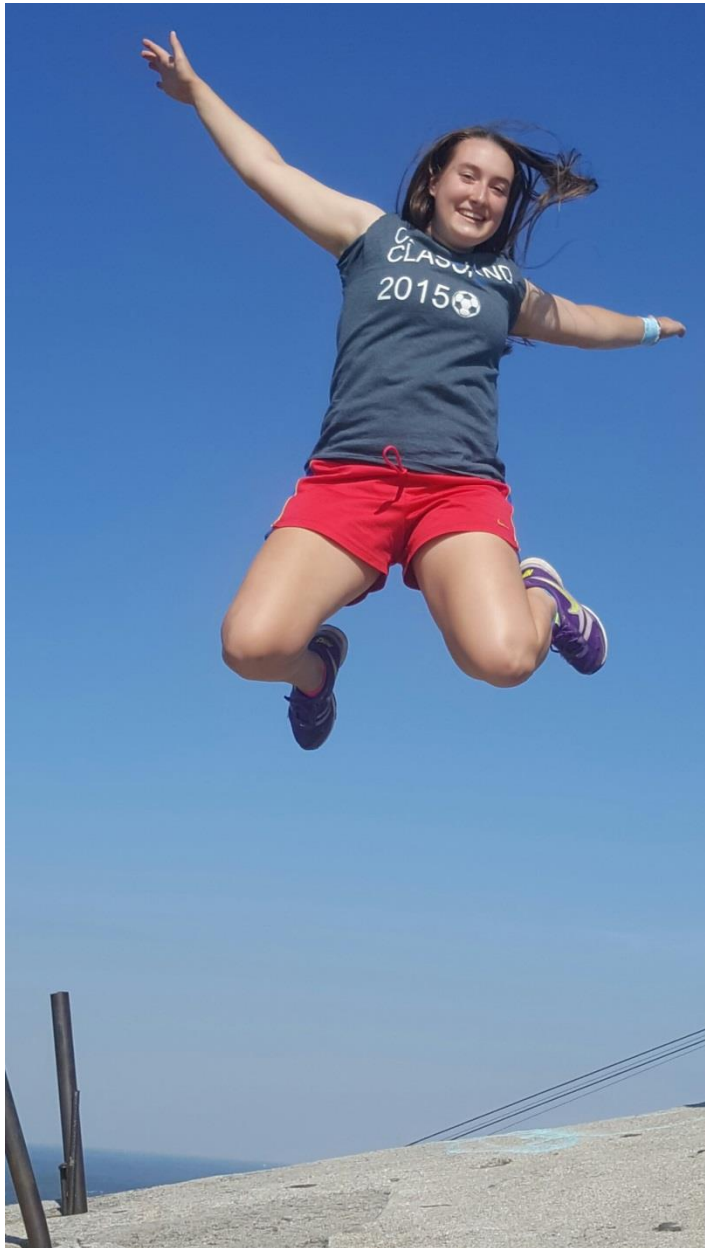
Favorite Bible Verse ~“Beloved, let us love one another because love is of God; everyone who loves is begotten by God and knows God. Whoever is without love does not know God, for God is Love.” 1 John 4:7-8

Years on the Leadership Team ~ This will be my first year!

Church Events Attended ~ VBS, 30 Hour Famine, Three Kings Feast, All
Hallow's Eve, Parish Picnic, Catholic Heart Work Camp

Favorite Church Event ~ 30 Hour Famine... I learned to appreciate everything I
have even more than before. Also, I learned how hard it is on people out there
and take what we have for granted. The games we played were fun and also
explained how they related to those going through hard times. Plus, the bond
that's made between all of us is amazing.

Message to Youth ~ Know that no matter what is going on in your life, that God
is with you and he has a plan for you. Never give up and keep your faith
growing each day and don't be afraid of what's going to come. Attend youth
group and any events possible. It helps you getting to know God a little more
and along the way you meet some of the best people that could be in your life.



Name ~Brianna Wisti

School ~Walker Valley

Grade ~12th

Hobbies ~ Spending time outdoors, playing soccer, being around my family and friends, Crossfit, Weightlifting, reading, traveling

Fun Fact About Myself ~I have visited four of the seven continents (North America, South America, Europe, and Asia)

Favorite Bible Verse ~Romans 5:3-4
“We rejoice in our sufferings, knowing that suffering produces endurance, and endurance produces character, and character produces hope.”

Church Events Attended ~ Vacation Bible School, Girls Retreat, Parish Homecoming, All Hallow's Eve, March for Life, Catholic Heart Work Camp, Three Kings Feast, Steubenville Conference in Atlanta, Chili Bowl, SEARCH

Favorite Church Event ~ My favorite Church event is Catholic Heart Work Camp. I have attended CHWC two times; one time was in Jackson Mississippi, and the other time was in Atlanta, Georgia. During Catholic Heart Work Camp, you not only change people's lives by serving them and the community through hard work, but you also create life long relationships with people from all over the country. CHWC is a life changing experience. It is a time when I get the chance to start over, and grow stronger in my faith and relationship with God. CHWC sets my soul on fire to work to change my own community for the better, and to use my blessings to be a blessing to everyone I meet.

Message to Youth ~ It is never to late to join youth group or become involved in the church. Do not be frighten about what lies ahead... you will never be alone in the incredible journey of your faith. The more time you spend with God, the stronger your relationship will become with Him. Also, this year try something new, and go out of your comfort zone. I look forward to getting to know each and every one of you over the course of this year!!



Name ~Anna Barbosa

School~ Cleveland High School

Grade~ 10th

Hobbies~ I love to sing (even though I'm not good at it, haha) and go camping

Fun Fact About Myself~ I've never had a cavity

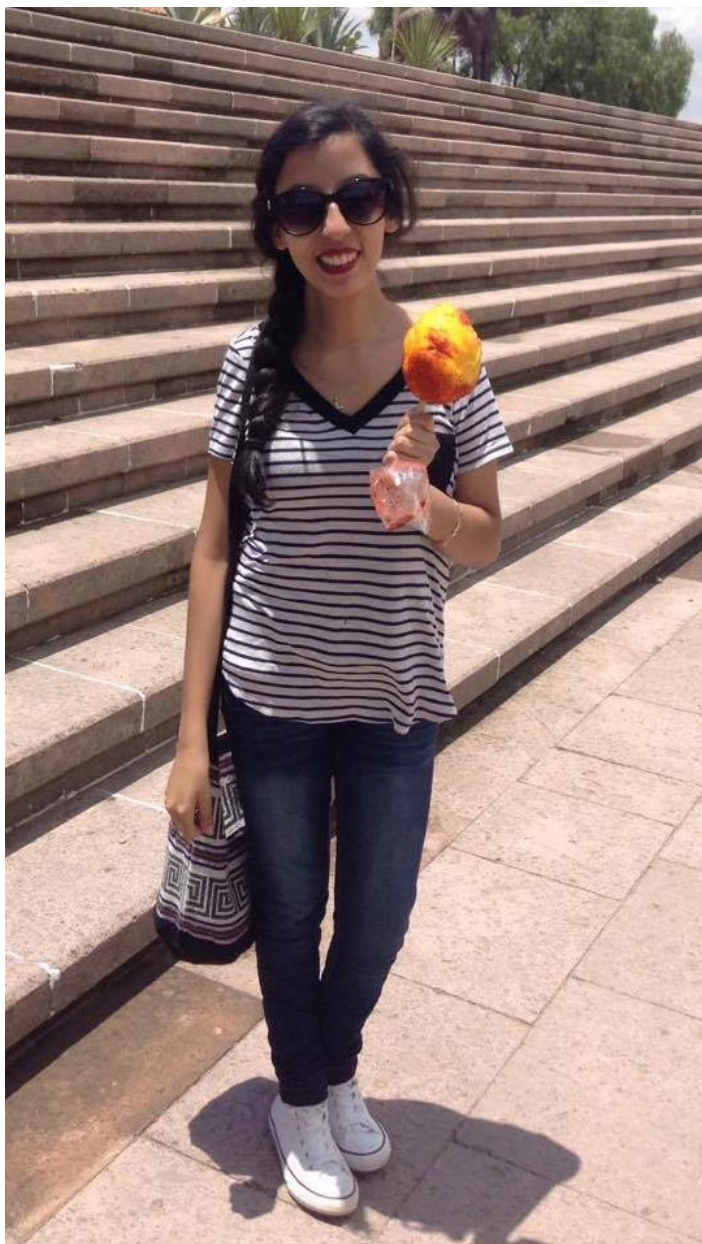
Favorite Bible Verse ~ "Walk with the wise and you become wise, but the companion of fools fare badly." Colossians 3:12

Years on the Leadership Team~ This is my second year on the team.

Church Events Attended~ CHWC, CYC, All Hallows' Eve, Charm on the Farm, 30 hour Famine, VBS, Church picnic

Favorite Church Event~ My favorite event has been CHWC. At CHWC you get to spend time with other Catholics from around the states helping out people in need. It was a great experience because my faith was strengthened and it was awesome seeing so many Catholics getting together to pitch out a hand for those in need.

Message to Youth~ Get involved with the youth group AND church, not only is it fun, but it helps your relationship with God. If there's one thing that I regret, it's not coming to youth group in 6th grade, so come to youth group! You won't regret it.



Name~ Fernanda Tellez

School~ Cleveland High School

Grade~ 11th

Hobbies~ reading books, hanging out with friends

Fun Fact About Myself~ I was born in Mexico.

Favorite Bible Verse~ John 13:7 “Jesus answered him, ‘What I am doing you do not understand now, but afterwards you will understand.’”

Years on the Leadership Team~ this would be my first

Church Events Attended~ Parish picnic, VBS, Three Kings Feast, 30hr
Famine,

Favorite Church Event~ Three King's Feast. I love how our parish has
an event where we can serve those in our community that are in need. I
just love the feeling of helping others and seeing their big smile

Message to Youth~ My advice for all the youth is to stay involved in
church events and try to attend youth group every week. One thing I
regret is not joining youth group earlier. It's a great place to get to know
your faith more, have fun, and meet new people. Just remember that
God loves you all and don't forget to live and share God's word.



Name~ James Miles

School~ CHS

Grade~ 9th

Hobbies~ drawing, gaming, youtubing, writing, animating, reading, and lots of other stuff

Fun Fact About Myself~ I love Pokémon

Favorite Bible Verse~ Ephesians 6:10-20

Years on the Leadership Team~ First year

Church Events Attended~ CHWC, youth group, and other small events

Favorite Church Event~ CHWC, you go and help the community for a week, it's very moving.

Message to the Youth~ I would recommend attending some retreats and being active in the church, you'll be surprised what God can do!



Name~ Julio Ochoa

School~ CHS

Grade~ 11th

Hobbies~ play Frisbee

Fun Fact About Myself~ I have a pet turtle.

Favorite Bible Verse~ John 3:16

Years on the Leadership Team~ second year

Church Events Attended~ youth group, 30 hour famine, VBS

My Favorite Event~ 30 hour famine, we played in the snow.

Message to Youth~ Be how you are and never forget. And join as soon as you can.